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UPON DEATH CHECKLIST

1. IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING LOVED ONES DEATH

- ☐ Obtain legal pronouncement of death
- ☐ Inform family and friends
- ☐ Find out about existing funeral plans, Power Of Attorney ends upon death
- ☐ If no pre-existing plan is in place, decide what you would like to do with your loved one
- ☐ Call a funeral home to have questions answered of what options are available to you

2. WITHIN A FEW DAYS

- ☐ Arrange for child, pet, and plant care; communicate needs and schedules
- ☐ Arrange funeral plans and wishes including family participation of duties
- ☐ Secure the property
- ☐ Notify the persons employer
- ☐ Forward the mail
- ☐ Identify and pay important bills (Mortgage, car, etc)

3. LEADING UP TO AND FOLLOWING THE FUNERAL/MEMORIAL SERVICE

- ☐ Determine whether you will need financial assistance from family
- ☐ Look into Veterans benefits
- ☐ Coordinate food and meals for after service and following days (meal trains)
- ☐ Notify insurance, bank and financial institutions

4. WHAT TO DO WITHIN THE NEXT 2 WEEKS

- ☐ Copies of Certified Death Certificates
- ☐ Locate will and executor
- ☐ Contact CPA and Estate Lawyer
- ☐ Inventory all assets
- ☐ Cancel services no longer needed: credit cards, insurance, cable, email accounts, etc.