



Golden Leaves Funeral Planning Checklist

A compassionate guide to ease the burden and ensure peace of mind.

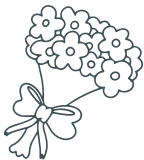
This comprehensive checklist is designed to help you organise all the necessary details for a funeral, whether you're planning ahead for yourself or managing arrangements for a loved one.

Before the Funeral – Essential Preparations for a Thoughtful Future



- Secure a Golden Leaves funeral plan to fix costs and acknowledge wishes
- Create or locate your will to outline wishes for estate and assets
- Gather documents (e.g. birth certificate, marriage certificate, NI number)
- Observation of religious mourning period or event

Planning the Service – Crafting a Meaningful Farewell



- Choose cremation or burial
- Pick a coffin or urn
- Choose the service type (traditional, memorial or direct cremation)
- Find a venue for the service (church, cremation chapel or non-religious)
- Choose a clergy or officiant
- Pick any music, hymns and solos
- Pick any readings, prayers or poems
- Organise a eulogy and reader
- Select scripture and who will read it
- Pick any photos to be displayed
- Make flower arrangements
- Decide what the deceased will wear with the family
- Create a notification list of who should be informed when passed
- Create any memorial cards and/or acknowledgement cards
- Decide whether to include a memorial register for attendees to sign
- Arrange transportation for the coffin and immediate family
- Select pallbearers to carry the coffin
- Plan a wake or reception
- Plan the order for the funeral service
- Choose a cemetery, burial plot, vault or urn
- Arrange for a headstone and memorial inscriptions

Immediately After Death – First Steps and Notifications



- Notify Golden Leaves to guide your family through the process
- Obtain a medical certificate of cause of death from a doctor
- Register the death at the local Register Office
- Collect death certificate, funeral plan documents and identification

After the Funeral – Ongoing Support and Lasting Tributes



- Send out thank you notes
- If donations were given in lieu of flowers, collect and pass to chosen charity
- Scatter or intern the ashes at a chose meaningful location



Golden Leaves Funeral Plans

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