



## MY FUNERAL WISHES

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one thing...*

Nicholas O'Hara Funeral Directors is a privately owned, independent family funeral directors which was established in 1974. Owned and managed by Nicholas O'Hara, wife, Jackie, son, Anthony and daughter, Natalie. We are proud to run a truly independent family business. When you need us, our family really is here for your family.

At Nicholas O'Hara Funeral Directors, we believe in maintaining the highest levels of service possible in all areas of our business; from caring for the deceased, to assisting and advising the bereaved with due care and sensitivity. We understand that a funeral holds a special place in people's memory and so we pay careful attention to every detail and request to create a special day for those lost and those that mourn.

## IF YOU DO JUST ONE THING...

With the rise in people choosing to pre-arrange their own funeral and often purchasing a funeral plan, it led me to consider what I would want and what my own loved ones would want for themselves. The conversation for us as funeral directors should be easy, as this is what we help others with every day. We have given advice to many hundreds of families, spoken to groups, arranged many funeral plans and preach the importance of making your wishes known, yet we have never had the conversation ourselves.

We appreciate that for many this is a difficult subject to discuss and when we, as a family, made the time, we found we all had different and personal wishes we would like to be considered. These choices would have possibly never been shared had we not started to listen to our own preaching.

When a death occurs, every emotion can appear and through these, decisions have to be made. These decisions form the basis the direction of a funeral will go, and for many the decisions are made both quickly and without knowledge or experience.

If I can offer just a single piece of advice, based not just on my own personal experience but also on the many times we have similar situations with the families we help, it would be, make your funeral wishes known now, for the benefit of your own family and friends, and for your own peace of mind too.

Please use this booklet to express your wishes in as much or little detail as you wish, and tell someone where it is kept.

*Anthony O'Hara*

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By planning ahead and using this booklet you will save your next-of-kin and your loved ones the stress of trying to second-guess what you would have wanted.

They will find great comfort by knowing that your funeral is carried out the way you would want it.

Using this booklet, you can make personal choices. You'll be able to include what you would want as your last celebration, ensuring it reflects what is important to you, and your family.

A funeral is an occasion for your family and friends to express their grief and celebrate your life, so fill in as much of the booklet as you feel able to.

## HOW TO USE THIS BOOKLET

### **YOUR PERSONAL WISHES**

We have designed this booklet for you to think about the things you might consider when making your personal choices. Simply fill in your details and write down your wishes.

### **WHAT TO DO NEXT...**

When you're happy you have noted all your wishes:

- Tell someone close to you about this booklet
- Tell them where you keep your booklet or post it to us for safe-keeping
- You may also want to give details to your solicitor/executors.

### **WHAT TO DO IF I WANT TO CHANGE MY WISHES?**

If you have posted your booklet to us for safe-keeping and you are unsure about any of the choices you have made, you can change or add to them at any time by telephoning, writing or emailing us.

## MY FUNERAL WISHES

My Name:

Telephone Number:

My Address:

## MY NEXT OF KIN/EXECUTOR

Name and Address:

Telephone Number:

## YOUR G.P.

Practice Address:

G.P. Name:

G.P. Tel Number:

Do you have a pacemaker?  YES  NO

## BURIAL/CREMATION

### I want to be buried

There is a grave already at:

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I'd like a new grave at:

.....

or

### I want to be cremated at:

.....

### and I would like my ashes...

Scattered at the crematorium

Returned to family for private disposal

Scatter or inter at (location)

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## FINANCE AND LEGAL *Funds for my funeral*

I have a pre-paid funeral plan:

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Pre-paid company name and reference:

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I have life insurance or other savings:

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Other plan

Policy

Savings

# THE SERVICE

I would like my funeral service at:

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The person I would like to lead my service

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I'd like a reading/poem (title)

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My choice of hymns/music

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Entry music:

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Service:

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Exit music:

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# FLOWERS AND DONATIONS

I'd like flowers at my funeral

Family flowers only  YES  NO

Welcome by all  YES  NO

Donations in lieu of flowers to my chosen charity:

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*Yesterday is History  
Tomorrow is a Mystery  
Today is a Gift  
That's why it's called the Present  
Learn from the Past  
Plan for the Future  
Live in Today*

***Plan Your funeral for the life You live  
Make Your Wishes Known***



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