

# Survivor's Checklist After Death

Although your grief after the death of a friend or family member can make it difficult to focus on tasks, you must still attend to several things that need to be done immediately after a death occurs, and in the weeks and months that follow.

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- At the Time of Death, Make the Right Call
- Contact a Funeral Home
- Review Funeral Plans or Begin Making Them
- Contact Attorney, Accountant and Executor of Estate
- Contact Employers
- Contact Social Security
- Contact the Veterans Administration
- Contact Life-Insurance Companies and File a Claim
- Notify Credit-card Companies and Pay Off Balances
- Discontinue Utilities
- Forward Mail at the Post Office
- Find Estate Documents
- Locate Important Financial Documents
- Collect Asset and Liability Information
- Inventory and Distribute Personal Belongings
- File the Deceased's Final Tax Return