

## My Funeral Preferences & Personal Reflections

In the event of my death, I have recorded the following information here to help family members organise my funeral.

I hope that, in providing this information, I am able to give you, my loved ones, insight to my thoughts and preferences.

You may face the challenge of balancing my wishes with your own needs as mourners. Know that it is okay to put your needs first. Seek to fulfil the essence of my wishes, rather than the individual details.

Remember, my funeral is held principally for your benefit, not my own. So if you would like to make choices for my funeral and disposition that will better help you and others mourn after I have died, please do so. You have my permission and my blessing.

With love,

NAME:

SIGNATURE:



If you require any further information please contact us or feel welcome to join us for a chat over a cuppa at either the Burstows Funeral Information & Preplanning Centre, Toowoomba or one of our local branches.

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## PREPAID *Funerals*



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## Planning today, for tomorrow

Preplanning a funeral is one area of life's planning, which is often neglected – no one likes to contemplate death, let alone plan for it.

But we plan ahead for just about every other financial possibility to protect both our loved ones and ourselves. We research and take out life, health and income protection insurance policies, put money aside for retirement and most of us have made a Will.

Preplanning a funeral is as easy as any other financial arrangement. It can also protect your loved ones emotionally as well as financially, and provide you with reassurance knowing that your affairs are in order.

## What is a prepaid funeral?

A prepaid funeral plan is a written contract between you and a funeral home of your choice. It details your personal preferences, funeral service requests and you pay for the plan at today's prices. This not only provides you with financial protection against inflation but importantly, peace of mind knowing your funeral will be conducted in accordance with your wishes without posing an additional burden on your loved ones.

Payment is arranged in a single lump sum amount to secure your prepaid funeral plan. Your payment is held by a secure independent trustee/entity and safeguarded until the required time.

## Why select a prepaid plan?

- Relieve your family from any financial burden
- A good financial choice – allowing you to fix the price of your funeral at today's costs
- Ensure your thoughts and preferences are known
- Reassurance for you and your family
- May provide opportunity to maximise your pension entitlement – according to current legislation, prepaid funeral plans are not subject to income/asset tests or the deemed earnings rules.

## How can Burstows help?

At Burstows our preplanning specialists can guide you through the planning process, explaining clearly the products and services available and any associated costs.

We can arrange a time to meet with you either at our office or in the comfort of your own home for an appointment; whichever you find is more convenient.

Some details we will guide you through when preplanning your funeral:

- Type and style of funeral
- Burial or cremation
- Viewing arrangements
- Choice of cemetery or crematorium
- Celebrant or Minister
- Style of coffin or casket
- Funeral notice, mourning vehicles and floral preferences
- Special service features such as poems, music
- Memorial books, photo tributes and audio visual requests
- How much you wish to spend
- Your personal wishes as well as those of family and friends.