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# Advance Funeral Wishes

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Funeral wishes, whether in a Will or in a letter or form as below, are not legally binding on friends and relatives, but will normally be followed where at all possible. At the very least, what follows may stimulate you to think of the kind of funeral you might or might not like; and to make sure that those who may be responsible in the event know your wishes. Where sample prices are given below, these are 2004 prices. Suggested improvements are welcomed. See also The Natural Death Centre's Death Plan for requirements whilst dying, and the Centre's Advance Healthcare Directive.

1. I James Stewart [REDACTED] PL request Advance Funeral Wishes. I have a Will held by: Digby Brown & Co, The Savoy Tower, Renfrew Street Glasgow G2. Please treat this document as expanding on the wishes expressed in that Will, with the Will taking legal precedence if relevant.
2. My next of kin is [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]
3. With this Will this present document is also added
4. I have a preference about what happens to my body. I would wish to be cremated
5. I do wish to donate my body and organs to the Department of Health Organ Donor Line, Tel 0845 6060 400; and the HM Inspector of Anatomy, Tel 020 7972 4342.
6. I would like Nurses attending to me to lay out my body.
7. If a post-mortem after my death requires the consent of my next of kin, I would like them to give it.
8. I would like my body to be brought back to my home after death and to remain at home until the funeral, or to remain at home till the funeral if I die at home, if possible or to go to a funeral director offering a refrigeration service if it is not possible to remain at home.
9. I do not wish for my body to be embalmed unless it is required to keep me presentable.
10. I do not have a pre-paid funeral plan **avoid spending un-needed money on the funeral.**
11. The friend I wish to be mainly responsible for arranging my funeral is [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED],
12. I would for the above-named to arrange it without paid services of a funeral director if possible.

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13. If a funeral director has to be used, I would like it to be the cheapest available I would like [REDACTED] to phone around the yellow pages for the cheapest / most suitable funeral director's
14. I would prefer to be cremated.
15. I would prefer a cardboard coffin see: <http://www.craufurdland.co.uk> shroud or body bag on plank and covered in a drape [if allowed by the crematorium or burial ground; from about £15.]
16. If possible I would like my body to be transported to the relevant place by a friend's large estate car/van or hired van, or any other form of transport.
17. If possible [REDACTED] or anyone else as needed, as the bearers of my coffin.
18. I would not like flowers brought to my funeral donation instead to [REDACTED].
19. I do not want a formal funeral service.
- 20. If to be cremated:**
21. If possible an open air cremation in the style a Hindi cremation
22. If a Hindi cremation is not possible
23. An open service at the crematorium or other suitable venue.
24. After cremation, I want my ashes is to be distributed in the Millennium wood Saughs Avenue Glendale Glasgow.
25. If an urn has to be used the cheapest. Or a plastic bag.
- 26. If to be buried see:**
- [http://www.zen26008.zen.co.uk/allpages/pages/my\\_funeral\\_wish.html](http://www.zen26008.zen.co.uk/allpages/pages/my_funeral_wish.html)
27. I do not have a burial place reserved
28. In the style of a Druid burial i.e. My body wrapped natural linen.
29. I would like to be buried in a natural burial ground where a tree or wildflowers are planted instead of having a headstone or a friendly farmer's land or own garden.
30. If natural burial ground, I would like those in charge of my funeral contact Midland
31. The kind of numbers I would like at my funeral service is, ideally family and friends affair.
32. I would like a funeral service to take account of the fact that my philosophy is humanist.
33. I would like the service led by British Humanist Association officinal.
34. The form of service I would like is music; John Tavener Byzantia Funeral Ikos – The Last Sleep of the Virgin, Pink Floyd Wish You were Here – Wish You Were Here.
35. If possible I would like a main address about my life given by Humanist official and or [REDACTED]
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36. At this service or at some later occasion I would like my friends to have a chance to speak up about me.

37. I would like an open coffin [assuming body is relatively presentable].

**38. Party or gathering after funeral**

39. I would like a gathering after the funeral with much more money than spent on the funeral. [expenses from my estate]

40. The form I would like this gathering to take is if the weather is poor indoors if good outdoors any location with food and drinks etc. [expenses from my estate]

41. The rituals I would most like it to include are none.

**42. Commemoration**

43. I would like a natural native woodland tree planted on any John Muir Trust Ground.

44. I may find out for sure in due course, but as a matter of interest, I do not believe in an afterlife

45. Signed by: [REDACTED]

46. Name: [REDACTED]

47 Address: [REDACTED]

48 Witnessed by the two undersigned who do not stand to benefit from the signatory's Will

49. Signature [REDACTED]

50 Name [REDACTED]

51 Witness occupation [REDACTED]

52. Signature [REDACTED]

53. Name [REDACTED]

54. Witness occupations [REDACTED]

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