



To do immediatly

- Notify friends and family.
- Deal with intentions as to donation of organs, cremation, or burial.
- Make funeral arrangements



Documents to gather

Personal Documents

- *Statement of Death*: issued by the funeral home (free)
- *Medical Certificate of Death*: issued by a physician or the Medical Examiner's office (free)
- *Death Certificate*: ordered through Service Alberta (charges will apply)
- *Birth Certificate*
- *Driver's License*
- *Marriage Certificate*
- *Passport*
- *Personal Will*
- *Social Insurance Card (or Number)*

Financial Documents

- *Bank and Credit Cards*
- *Bank Account Numbers*
- *Bank Statements* (Chequing, Saving, Line of Credit, etc.)
- *Investment Records* (bonds, stocks, RRSP, GIC's, etc.)
- *Loan Agreements*
- *Mortgage Papers*
- *Lease and/or Rental Contracts*
- *Safety Deposit Box Number* (if applicable)

Property Documents

- *Land Titles*
- *Personal Possessions*
- *Vehicle Registration(s)*

Health Documents

- *Provincial Health Care Card or Number*
- *Other health insurance providers*

Other Documents

- *Insurance Policies* (life, medical, home, car, business, mortgage etc.)
- *Employee Benefit Booklets*
- *Pension Information*
- *Utility Account Numbers* (electricity, gas, water, cable, phone...)
- *Previous Tax Returns*
- *Membership Cards* (sport, professional associations, library)



Benefits to apply for

- *Alberta Supports*
Contact: 1-877-644-9992
If a family is unable to pay, the government department of Alberta Family and Social Services can provide assistance for basic funeral services, a casket, and cemetery or cremation fees.
- *CPP Lump Sum Death Benefit*
Contact: 1-800-277-9914
You will need to provide a copy of the death certificate or statement of death, your birth certificate, and social insurance number.
- *CPP Survivor's Benefit*
Contact: 1-800-277-9914
Benefits for children may also be available if applicable.
- *Children's Benefit*
Contact: 1-800-277-9914 There may be benefits available for children under the age of 18 or for children between 18 and 25 who are full-time students.
- *Allowance for the Survivor*
Contact: 1-800-277-9914
This benefit for widows and widowers is based on income qualifications.
- *Guaranteed Income Supplement*
Surviving widows/widowers over the age of 65 may be entitled to this benefit.
- *Veterans Benefits*
Contact: 1-866-522-2122
If the deceased was a veteran, you may be eligible for benefits. Contact Veterans Affairs for details.