

Final wishes document

Practical instructions for the day. Leave stories and values for a legacy letter. Not a will. Not a funeral contract.

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Your name

Date

Who should carry these wishes out

Burial, cremation, or other

Viewing or body present

Ceremony or gathering

People to notify

Music, readings, or traditions (optional)

Pets, home, and practical notes

Where related papers live

How to complete it

Write the ceremony in one or two sentences. Name who should carry the wishes out. Add pets, keys, and other details people would otherwise guess. Point to where related papers live.

Completed example (fictional)

Your name: Margaret Chen

Date: March 2026

Who should carry these wishes out: Ruth Chen, sister - she already knows she is first call

Burial, cremation, or other: Cremation. No viewing. I don't want a church service.

Viewing or body present: No

Ceremony or gathering: Small lunch somewhere with a garden. Ruth will know who to invite. Keep it under two hours.

People to notify: Ruth first, then my son Sam. Work can wait until the next day.

Music, readings, or traditions (optional): If anyone wants music, the playlist is in the notes app labeled "garden".

Pets, home, and practical notes: The cat food is in the laundry cupboard. Sam has a spare key.

Where related papers live: No prepaid funeral. The will is with Ellis & Park on Oak Street.

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