

# WHAT IS A FUNERAL DIRECTIVE?

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Help protect your legacy now by preparing your final wishes today with a funeral directive. This is a document that helps you manage what will happen after you die. It will outline your “designated person” or “funeral agent” — someone you trust who can carry out your end-of-life plans. A funeral directive can detail plans for a service as well as what you’d like to happen to your body. The will prep service is available to Mutual of Omaha policyholders with life insurance coverage.

## Why do I need one?

A funeral directive can help guide your friends and family during the difficult grieving process by ensuring your wishes are known. It allows you to establish someone who can oversee any arrangements, taking out any conflict or confusion. You may have already discussed these wishes with your loved ones, but it can be reassuring to have it all in writing.

## Is it enforceable?

In some states, it is a legally enforceable document, with the need for it to be witnessed and notarized. You may even need your funeral agent to sign it, in recognition of their role.

In other states, it’s not legally enforceable. It’s sometimes referred to as a “funeral wishes planner.” Either way, this document is a great way to help your loved ones protect your legacy knowing all of your wishes were met.

## What does it do?

The role of a funeral directive can vary state-to-state but in general it can:

- Appoint a designated person and/or successors to oversee arrangements
- Outline your wishes for the disposition of remains
- In some states, add wishes for funeral services

## How do I get started?

To create your funeral directive, visit [willprepservices.com](https://willprepservices.com) and use the code MUTUALWILLS to register. Once registered, visit the “last will and testament” page to start your funeral directive.



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