

Parents' plans eased burdens at funeral

Dear Abby: My Mother recently passed away. She had led a long, happy life and was greatly loved. Years ago, both my parents had the foresight to preplan and prepay all of their final arrangements. All Dad and the family had to do for Mother's service was order the flowers; then, we were able to welcome and share condolences with more than 500 guest.



Dear Abby

It made her funeral a beautiful time of reuniting old friends and family. Our freedom to share great memories is exactly what Mom and Dad had planned. The arrangements were impressive. Their gift of preplanning and prepaying is something we all should consider doing for our loved ones.

-A Loving, Grateful Daughter

Dear Daughter: Although it's difficult to contemplate death, facing the fact that no one lives forever and planning ahead can prevent a world of confusion for grieving relatives at a time when they are most vulnerable. Your parents' preplanning was wise, thoughtful and a godsend during your time of grief.

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