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We extend to you our deepest sympathy in the loss of your loved one. We understand the tremendous impact circumstances such as this have on family members and friends. It is our desire to help you during this difficult time by providing answers to some of the immediate questions you may have. The following information is provided to assist you in making arrangements.

Your loved one has been taken to the following location:

FUNERAL HOME _____ PHONE # _____

MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE _____ County

You may obtain information pertaining to an autopsy from the Justice of the Peace.

JP # 1 2 3 4 _____ PHONE # _____

Call the funeral home of your choice to inform them of the death and your desire to use their services. They will make arrangements to transport your loved one to their facility and also make an appointment with you to come to their office to make funeral arrangements. Copies of the Death Certificate are available through the funeral home.

If applicable, you may obtain a copy of the police report from the investigating agency:

AGENCY _____ OFFICER _____

CASE # _____ PHONE # _____

Please note that it takes varying amounts of time to obtain death certificates, autopsy and police reports.

Notify the Social Security Administration of the beneficiary's death by calling 1-800-772-1213. They can assist or direct you to your local Social Security Administration Field Office

If your loved one was a Veteran please contact the Department of Veteran Affairs at 1-800-827-1000.

Notify bank(s) and insurance agent(s) of the deceased. They will be able to assist you in closing accounts and canceling policies.

Crime Victims' Compensation: Call 512-936-1200 (Austin) or 1-800-983-9933 (Statewide)

If the deceased was murdered, killed by a drunk driver, reckless driver or hit-and-run driver, you may be eligible for Crime Victims' Compensation to assist with medical, funeral and counseling expenses and for loss of wages.

If there is a criminal case pending, contact the County or District Attorney in the county where the crime occurred for more information.

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