

**Life Transitions:**

*Help your church be there for you  
in time of crisis or transition*

Please complete as little or as much of this form as you feel comfortable. You are encouraged to make an appointment with the minister to discuss the details of your wishes.

**Confidential**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information (phone(s), email): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse/Partner's name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information (phone(s), email) \_\_\_\_\_

Children	Birth Year	Address, Phone & E-mail
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_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Family Doctor's Name and Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact in case of a crisis (names, phone, email): \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a veteran? \_\_\_\_\_ What branch of service? \_\_\_\_\_

*(Veterans – please help your church to be there for you – tell us more about your service using the form and questions on page 3.)*

Do you have a living will and/or health care power of attorney? \_\_\_\_\_

Who has access to these documents? \_\_\_\_\_

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***Your answers to these next questions could help  
your church respond to your wishes in the event of your death.***

Is your preference for Burial? \_\_\_\_\_ Cremation? \_\_\_\_\_ Donation of Body? \_\_\_\_\_  
Have you made prior arrangements for any of the above? \_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, who has access to this information?

\_\_\_\_\_

Which funeral home/memorial society would you prefer? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have special requests for a funeral or memorial service:

Conducted by

Current First UU minister \_\_\_\_\_

Other (name, contact information) \_\_\_\_\_

Are there persons you would particularly like to be invited to speak?

\_\_\_\_\_

Music, hymns, poetry or scripture to be included \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*If possible, please attach text of your requested poems.*

Is there something you really do NOT want to happen or to be said at the service?

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you have a preferred recipient for memorial gifts?

First Unitarian Universalist Church \_\_\_\_\_

Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you prepared written instructions or more complete information than given here? If so,  
where are they located and/or who knows about them?

\_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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***These questions will be of particular interest to veterans***

What branch of service were you in? \_\_\_\_\_

What were the dates of your service? \_\_\_\_\_

What did you do in the military? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you serve in a combat area? If yes, what were your duties? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Do you wish to have a military Honor Guard at your funeral/memorial service? \_\_\_\_\_

\*Which family member would be most knowledgeable about your service to coordinate the Honor Guard? \_\_\_\_\_

\*Is there a fellow service member you would like to assist your family with the Honor Guard or other aspects of your service? (list name, address, email and telephone) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Who should receive your American flag? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you belong to a veteran's group(s)? If yes, please name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Where is your DD214 (discharge form) located, and who has access to it? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Would you wish to be buried/interred in a cemetery specifically for veterans? \_\_\_\_\_

If you have a favorite military story you would like told in the funeral/memorial service, please share it on the reverse of this form.

Please also use the reverse, or additional sheets, to note anything else you would like people to know about you related to your service.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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**Online resources can help conceptualize, organize, and plan for life transitions. Two examples are listed without endorsement, solely for your information:**

1. This article from the New York Times discusses “end of life planning” and related “document storage.” It references several commercial sites:

Neubecker, Robert, “Navigating the Logistics of Death Ahead of Time.” YOUR MONEY, 28 March 2014. <http://www.nytimes.com/2014/03/29/your-money/navigating-the-logistics-of-death-ahead-of-time.html? r=0>

2. Funeral Consumers Alliance – described on its website as “a nonprofit organization dedicated to protecting a consumer’s right to choose a meaningful, dignified, affordable funeral.” <http://www.funerals.org> . The San Antonio Chapter may be found at <http://funeraladvicesatx.org>

**Please use this space or additional sheets for information beyond that which you have shared on the previous pages.**