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Did you know there are many benefits and reasons to preplan and prepay for your funeral? Here are the top 10:

- 1. *Peace of mind* Knowing your wishes in advance will ease the burden on your loved ones. Now when you pass away, all they have to do is make one call to the funeral home or crematory and they'll take it from there.
- 2. *Financial security* Funerals are subject to inflation just like gas, clothes, food and other items. Preneed arrangements locks those prices in so that your family is not subject to those costs. Also, these funds are guaranteed. If you die while you're paying for your arrangements, they will still be paid with no additional costs to your family.
- 3. *Option to pay over time* My goal is to make your arrangements affordable that will fit within your budget that you can pay off in 3, 5 or 10 years. Once they're paid, you're done, there are no additional costs and your arrangements will be taken care of.
- 4. *Known price* There is no sticker shock with preneed arrangements. You will put those things in place now that you want and lock that price in. At the time of your death, your family will know that you have paid for everything.
- 5. *It's transferable* If you move out of state or simply choose another funeral home, those funds can be transferred.
- 6. *Exempt asset* Funds set aside to pay for future funeral costs can be set up to be exempt from consideration as assets in the event you need to go into a nursing home or long term care facility or qualify for public assistance.
- 7. *Together*, *not alone* One of the hardest things to do is sit around a table in the funeral home and plan a loved one's funeral service. Since you will have put everything in place, your family can now take the time to honor and celebrate you and deal with their grief without having to try and figure out what it is that you would have wanted and how they're going to pay for it.
- 8. *One call* Once you have preplanned, a single call can set the process in motion in most cases.
- 9. *Preserve your independence* You cherish your independence now and preplanning protects your independence even after you are gone.
- 10. *Personalization* Preplanning gives you peace of mind knowing that you chose how you want your life celebrated and how you want to be remembered.