

Memorial Plans for a Celebration of Life

Many of these things will be covered by a funeral home if you choose to use one. This is your little one's celebration, so be as hands-off or hands-on as you need to be for your well-being.

Location:

- ☐ Church, home, or funeral home
- ☐ Coordinator assigned (in addition to funeral home director)
- ☐

Flowers:

(Do you want donations to charity in lieu of flowers?)

- ☐ Placement
- ☐ Distribution at end of service
- ☐

Clothing:

- ☐ Mom (think about body changes)
- ☐ Dad
- ☐ Other children
- ☐ Someone to iron everything and lay it out
- ☐

Decorations:

(Do you want to bring in some items that convey a celebration of this precious little life?)

- ☐ Balloons (with weights)
- ☐ Stuffed animals (in honor of each family member?)
- ☐ Lighting
- ☐ Framed photo
- ☐

Music:

(What song(s) gave you strength or make you think fondly of your precious gift?)

- ☐ CDs
- ☐ Instrumentalists
- ☐

Items to bring:

- ☐ Quiet toys/drawing pad for other children
- ☐ Tissue
- ☐ Snacks
- ☐ Water
- ☐

Serving/helping at memorial:

- ☐ Speaker
- ☐ Usher(s)
- ☐ Pall bearer(s)
- ☐ Videographer (for those not able to attend)
- ☐ Set-up/Break-down
- ☐

Memorial items:

- ☐ Guest Book (and pen)
- ☐ Guest Book attendant (Make sure that everyone puts in their address as well)

Would you like to have a table set up with some memorial items such as...

- ☐ Photo album
- ☐ Stuffed animals
- ☐ Gifts given in honor of your precious one
- ☐

Agenda:

(Do you want a program to be handed out?)

- ☐ Program writer

Here is one sample agenda.

- ☐ Music playing in background
- ☐ Announcements
- ☐ Welcome/Opening Prayer
- ☐ Song(s)
- ☐ Message
- ☐ Song(s)
- ☐ Any shared thoughts/prayers
- ☐ Closing Prayer

Reception:

(Will the reception/meal after the service be restricted to family or will others be invited?)

- ☐ Small group/church to coordinate food
- ☐ Paper and plastic ware
- ☐ Tablecloths
- ☐ Napkins
- ☐

Project items:

(If children will be in attendance at the reception, consider having an arts and crafts table.)

- ☐ Coloring books and crayons
- ☐ Paper, safety scissors, and glue
- ☐