

Help with paying for a funeral

Funds that the person who passed away may have:

	Yes	No
Did they have a pre-payment funeral plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did they have any funds in Bank or Building Society accounts, savings accounts, ISAs or premium bonds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did they have any Life Insurance or Funeral Insurance?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did they have a work pension? <i>Work pensions often have a death in service benefit</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did they work for the National Health Service, the Government or in the Public Sector and/or have a 'Death in Service' benefit? <i>Government agencies often have a death benefits</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Were they in a trade union? <i>They may give pay-outs to members</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Had they ever worked for the Armed Forces? <i>Claims may be made directly with the regimental fund, or help may be available through the Armed Forces Charity SSAFA on 0800 731 4480 or NAAFI at www.naafi.co.uk</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did they have a war pension? <i>A war pension funeral grant may be available</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did they have any Stocks, Shares or Investments? <i>These could be liquidated</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Were they in any clubs or societies? <i>They may be able to help with funding, or provide a loan</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did they belong to BHSF (Birmingham Hospitals Saturday Fund)? <i>Some members have arranged funeral insurance through them</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did they belong to any Church groups? <i>They may be able to help with funding, or provide a loan</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Did they have any links with the Freemasons, Buffs, Moose or Lions? <i>An appeal can be made to the Almoner or Treasurer for help with funeral costs</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Funds that may be accessed:

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<p>Are all next of kin on benefits? <i>If yes, you may be able to get help from the Department for Work and Pensions (SF200) Claimants would need to be in receipt of Income Support, income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, income-related Employment and Support Allowance, Pension Credit, Housing Benefit, the disability or severe disability element of Working Tax Credit, one of the extra elements of Child Tax Credit or Universal Credit</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Is a member of the family on benefits? <i>They may qualify for a crisis loan against their benefits (SF500) if they have been getting Income Support, income-based Jobseeker's Allowance, income-related Employment and Support Allowance, Pension Credit or payment on account of one of these benefits or entitlements for at least 26 weeks on the date we process their application</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Has this bereavement left you as a widow/widower? <i>You may qualify for a bereavement payment/allowance (A lump sum £2000) if you have lost your husband/wife/civil partner and you are under State Pension age, or over State Pension age and your husband/wife/civil partner wasn't entitled to a State Pension based on their own national insurance contributions. Additionally, your husband/wife/civil partner must have either paid enough national insurance contributions or died as a result of an industrial accident or disease</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Are you the widowed parent of a child who has died? <i>You may qualify for a Widowed Parent's Allowance if you're bringing up a child or young person under 19 (or under 20 in some cases) for whom you're getting Child Benefit, you're under State Pension age, your husband, wife or civil partner died and your husband, wife or civil partner paid National Insurance contributions</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>If it is a funeral for a child, could someone approach charities that help with child funeral costs? <i>For example the 'Child Funeral Charity' and 'Children are Butterflies'</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Could someone apply for a loan? <i>Either a secured loan through a company like Braemar Finance, or an unsecured loan from a reputable lender</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Could someone release equity, for example from a property?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Could someone make a payment on a credit card?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Would an employer be able to offer someone any assistance, or provide a loan?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Could family, friends or neighbours help, or split the costs between them?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Does anyone have links to any clubs or societies?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Does anyone belong to any Church groups?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Could someone organise a fundraising event?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Are there any charities that could be approached that relate to you/the person who passed away?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Could someone approach British Gas Energy Trust for help? <i>Telephone number 01733 421060</i></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Could someone consider Crowdfunding, or start a Facebook appeal?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<p>Could donations be requested towards costs at the funeral?</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>