

## My Loved One Just Passed Away. Now What?

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Resources

1. **Cremation.** (MSU Extension MontGuide)  
([PDF Version](#)) ([HTML Version-ADA Accessible](#)) [[Order Online](#)]  
Explores personal and family concerns, state and federal regulations, and costs of cremation in Montana.
2. **Transferring Real Property Owned in a Joint Tenancy or in a Life Estate Without Probate** (MSU Extension MontGuide)  
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Describes the process when real property is owned as joint tenants or is subject to a life estate, the distribution method is determined by Montana Law.
3. **Settling an Estate: What Do I Need to Know.** (MSU Extension MontGuide)  
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Designed to help survivors start the process of settling an estate and ease the burden following the death of a loved one. It discusses tasks in the order they are commonly completed.
4. **Probate in Montana.** (MSU Extension MontGuide)  
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Provides guidelines and costs for the process of settling the estate of a deceased person.
5. **Personal Representative Responsibilities.** (MSU Extension MontGuide)  
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Explains Montana law covering personal representatives in settling estates (often called "executor" in other states).
6. **Forms:**
  - [Application for Title of a Vehicle by Non-Probate Transfer](#) (PDF) Montana Vehicle Division
  - [Affidavit for Collection of Personal Property](#) (PDF) Revised March 2020
  - [Acknowledgement of Fiduciary Relationship and Obligations Personal Representative, Guardian, or Conservator](#) (PDF)
  - [How to Administer a Small Estate](#) (Montana Judicial Branch) (PDF)

- [Affidavit for Termination of Joint Tenancy Form](#) (Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services, Legal Developer Program, Aging Services Division) (PDF)
- [Affidavit of Remaindermen to Terminate Life Estate Interest of Decedent Form](#) (Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services, Legal Developer Program, Aging Services Division) (PDF)

## 7. Websites of interest while a veteran is alive and after death

- <https://choose.va.gov/burials-memorials>
- <https://www.ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/homepage>

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