

WRIGHT

FUNERAL HOME & CREMATORY

What do you need death certificates for?

The original death certificate will be filed with the WV Vital Registration Office in Charleston, WV. If you do not order enough certificates with the original filing, additional copies can be obtained later. We recommend ordering at least 2-3 more copies than you anticipate needing.

Certified copies of death certificates are needed for the following cases.

- ☐ Transfer of real property, houses, and lots
- ☐ Settling of insurance claims, 1 for each company
- ☐ Obtaining union benefits, usually 2 or 3 required
- ☐ Transfer of automobile, boat, trailer or camper title
- ☐ Transfer of stocks, bonds or other investments, 1 for each corporation
- ☐ Transfer of bank savings, checking or trust accounts
- ☐ Phone and utility companies
- ☐ Entry into a bank safety deposit vault
- ☐ Filing Federal income tax returns
- ☐ Social Security benefits
- ☐ Veteran's Administration benefits
- ☐ For insured loans, insured credit cards and department store cards
- ☐ For credit union accounts
- ☐ To qualify for bereavement time compensation from some employers
- ☐ Personal requests from children, family members
- ☐ Pension, IRA or other retirement benefits
- ☐ *Estimated Total Number*