



The following is a list of information that you should include or consider when writing an obituary. Obituaries are usually written after death, but can be written before death, if an individual decides to write their own.

- Full, legal name of the deceased. (If there is a nickname, include in parenthesis)
- City of residence
- Date of death
- Relatives who are survived by the deceased: parents, children, grandchildren, etc.
- Career history, volunteer history, affiliations, military service.
- Time and date of funeral, and include any calling hours.
- Location of burial

While most newspapers will run basic information at no charge, many newspapers charge for running the obituary. Your funeral home will have the fee structure of your local newspaper. They can also help you write the obituary and place it for you.