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EverReady
Family
Ready for whatever comes.

IN LOVING MEMORY

Tape or paste a photo here — or leave the frame empty
and it will be filled in the printed edition.

Name

Dates

A free book from EverReady Family

How to use this book

There is no right way to do this. Take your time.

Gathering memories. Ask each person one question: “What is your favorite memory of them?” One question, no pressure. If someone does not want to write, that is fine. You can write down what they tell you, exactly as they say it. A spoken memory is still a memory.

Adding photos. A photo does not need to be perfect. Tape or paste a favorite photo into the frames on the photo pages, or write the photo's story in the caption lines: who is in it, when it was taken, what was happening. Future generations will thank you for the captions more than the photo.

Children are welcome here. A drawing counts. A one-sentence memory counts. Spellings do not matter.

When you are done, this book is yours. Keep it, copy it, share it with the family. There is no deadline for finishing it. And if your family wants this book printed and bound — a copy to hold, and copies for the family — the last pages of this book explain how that works.

About them

Born

Raised in

Worked as

Loved

Their favorite saying

A few words that describe th

The story of their life, in a paragraph or two:

Their life, year by year

You do not need every year. The ones that matter are enough — a birth, a move, a wedding, a job, a house, the year the kids came, the year everything changed.

If you sat with them and recorded their stories, this page is where their own telling of the years belongs.

In their own words

Everybody has phrases that are theirs alone. Write down the things they always said, the advice they gave whether you asked or not, the words you can still hear. If your family recorded them telling their own story, use their exact words here — do not improve them.

They always said:

Their advice was:

The words I can still hear:

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Their advice was:

The words I can still hear:

My favorite memory of them is...

Written by

Date

I'll always remember when...

Written by

Date

What they taught me...

Written by

Date

The story everyone tells about them...

Written by

Date

What they loved most...

Written by

Date

A letter I never got to send...

Written by

Date

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When was it taken?

What is happening here?

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The road ahead

When a family loses someone, there is a road everyone walks, in the same order.

Remember. Gather the family in one place. Share the stories and the photos. This is the book you are holding — the part that matters most.

Settle. Sooner or later, the practical part comes: dividing their belongings fairly among the heirs. The fair way is the family auction: every item photographed and cataloged, every heir bidding openly from their own link, and what each person wins comes out of their share of the inheritance. Nobody pays anybody. Nobody has to be the bad guy. The family stays the family.

Save. While the memories are fresh, save every family photo in one shared place — the albums, the loose prints, the pictures on everyone's phones. One album, every family member, with the names and dates written under the photos while people still remember them.

Sell. And when there are things nobody in the family takes home, there is a fair way to sell what is left, together — the proceeds go back into the estate, where they belong.

EverReady Family exists for this road. This book is the first step. When the family is ready for the next ones, the path is there.

This book, printed and bound

The book you are holding is a digital book, and it is yours to keep, copy, and share — free, always.

Some families want more than a file. They want this book printed and bound: the photos printed in the book, the stories set in type, a copy to hold and copies to give the family. That is the printed edition, and it is made from this book.

How it works. You order the printed edition through EverReady Family. We build the print edition from your finished book — your photos, your words, nothing added and nothing rewritten. Before anything prints, we send you a proof to look at. You approve it, or tell us what to fix, in plain language. Nothing prints without your yes. Then the book is printed and shipped to your door.

How long it takes. Printing and shipping a book made one at a time takes about three to four weeks. We would rather tell you that now than surprise you later.

What it costs. The price is on the EverReady Family website, where you order — it is not printed in this book, because this book is a memorial, not a catalog. If you never order the printed edition, this digital book is still yours, complete, free.

When your family is ready, the printed edition is there. Until then, this book is enough.

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