



## *Guide to writing a Eulogy*

A eulogy is a speech given at a funeral or memorial service in memory of a loved one.

A eulogy is usually presented as a chronological history of the person's life and may include personal memories and stories. Delivering a eulogy is a great honour and allows those attending the funeral to remember who they were, what they did and what they enjoyed most in life. You may also like to consult with other family or close friends for additional information.

Topics you may consider using in a eulogy:

- ∞ Place and date of birth
- ∞ Parents Names and Occupations if relevant
- ∞ Did he/she have any brothers or sisters
- ∞ Early life / family life – what he/she was like as a child (interests etc.)
- ∞ Education
- ∞ Trade / Profession
- ∞ Courtship / Marriage
- ∞ Children / family life / relationship to his/her grandchildren
- ∞ Places lived and worked
- ∞ Personality / characteristics / sense of humour
- ∞ Recreation / hobbies
- ∞ Likes and dislikes
- ∞ Interests in music / TV / radio / arts / reading
- ∞ Travel / holidays
- ∞ Animals / nature
- ∞ Sport
- ∞ Illness / cause of his/her passing
- ∞ Place and date of death
- ∞ Funny stories that reflect the type of person he/she was.