

## Colorado Declaration of Disposition of Last Remains

I, \_\_\_\_\_, being of sound mind and lawful age, hereby revoke all prior declarations concerning the disposition of my last remains and those provisions concerning disposition of my last remains found in a will, codicil, or power of attorney, and I declare and direct that after my death the following provisions be taken:

1. If permitted by law, my body shall be (initial ONE choice):

\_\_\_\_ Buried. I direct that my body be buried at \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_ Cremated. I direct that my cremated remains [the ashes] be disposed of as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Entombed. I direct that my body be entombed at \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_ Other. I direct that my body be disposed of as follows: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Disposed of as \_\_\_\_\_ [name of designee] shall decide in writing. If he or she is unwilling or unable to act, I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ as my alternate designee.

2. I request that the following ceremonial arrangements be made (initial desired choice or choices):

\_\_\_\_ I request \_\_\_\_\_ [name of designee] make all arrangements for any ceremonies, consistent with my directions set forth in this declaration. If he or she is unwilling or unable to act, I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ as my alternate designee.

\_\_\_\_ Funeral [a ceremony with the body present]. I request the following arrangements for my funeral: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Memorial Service [a ceremony without the body]. I request the following arrangements for my memorial service: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. Special instructions. In addition to the instructions above, I request (on the following lines you may make special requests regarding ceremonies or lack of ceremonies):

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

I may revoke or amend this declaration in writing at any time. I agree that a third party who receives a copy of this declaration may act according to it. Revocation of this declaration is not effective as to a third party until the third party learns of my revocation. My estate shall indemnify any third party for costs incurred as a result of claims that arise against the third party because of good-faith reliance on this declaration.

I execute this declaration as my free and voluntary act, on \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Declarant Signature

THE FOLLOWING SECTION REGARDING ORGAN AND TISSUE DONATION IS OPTIONAL.  
To make a donation, initial the option you select and sign below.

In the hope that I might help others, I hereby make an anatomical gift, to be effective upon my death, of:

- A. \_\_\_\_\_ Any needed organs/tissues
- B. \_\_\_\_\_ The following organs/tissues: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Donor Signature

[Notarization, optional] =====

State of Colorado  
County of \_\_\_\_\_

Acknowledged before me by \_\_\_\_\_, Declarant,  
on \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ [notary seal]  
Notary Public

My commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Colorado CRS 15-19-104. Declaration of disposition of last remains.

(1) The declarant may specify, in a declaration instrument, any one or more of the following:

- (a) The disposition to be made of the declarant's last remains;
- (b) Who may direct the disposition of the declarant's last remains;
- (c) The ceremonial arrangements to be performed after the declarant's death;
- (d) Who may direct the ceremonial arrangements after the declarant's death;
- (e) The rights, limitations, immunities, and other terms of third parties dealing with the declaration instrument.

(2) A third party seeking to fulfill a declarant's intent regarding disposition of last remains or ceremonial arrangements may disregard such intent if such intent is unreasonable under the circumstances.

(3) (a) The provisions of the most recent declaration instrument shall control over any other document regarding the disposition of the last remains.

(b) This article shall govern all current and prior declaration instruments.

(c) If article 54 of title 12, C.R.S., conflicts with this article, this article shall govern.

(4) This article shall apply to declaration instruments executed or exercised in Colorado and to declaration instruments signed or exercised by a person who is a resident of Colorado when such instrument is signed or exercised.

(5) A declaration instrument may be acknowledged, but lack of acknowledgment shall not render the declaration ineffective.

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