

Advance directives regarding final arrangements may not be legally binding, may be regulate by Stage Law, and should be reviewed with an attorney. These directives should not be part of a last will and testament.

## Funeral Instructions and Directives

I, \_\_\_\_\_, residing at  
(Principal, print your name here)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(street)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(city or town)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(state)

wish to make known my directives regarding the disposition of my body at the time of my death. I have, with God's mercy, tried to conduct my life according to my faith and traditions as an Orthodox Christian. It is my belief that for the welfare of my immortal soul the following should be done at the time of my death:

My priest, \_\_\_\_\_ should be contacted  
(print name of the priest you wish to be contacted)

at: \_\_\_\_\_  
(street) (city or town) (state) (phone)

Arrangements for prayer services, funeral and burial services should be made in consultation with him. If at all possible, my body should remain intact and embalming should not be performed. My body should rest in an Orthodox Church while awaiting interment, and then be interred at a cemetery.

The burial should be performed by an Orthodox priest in an Orthodox manner. I specifically reject cremation as a form of disposition of my body. Photocopies of these Funeral Instructions shall have the same force and effect as the original.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Witness Statement

We, the undersigned, each witness the signing of these Funeral Instructions by principal or at the direction of the principal, and state the principal appears to be at least 18 years of age, of sound mind, and under no constraint or undue influence.

In our presence this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_

Witness 1: \_\_\_\_\_  
(signed)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(print)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Witness 2 \_\_\_\_\_  
(signed)

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
(print)

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_