

What do you need death certificates for?

The original death certificate is filed with the County Health Department or the State Health Department. If you do not order enough certificates with the original filing, additional copies can be obtained later for an additional state fee. We recommend ordering at least 2-3 more copies than you anticipate needing.

Certified copies of death certificates are needed for the following cases.

Transfer of real property, houses, and lots	
Settling of insurance claims, 1 for each company	
Obtaining union benefits, usually 2 or 3 required	
Transfer of automobile, boat, trailer or camper title	e
Transfer of stocks or bonds, 1 for each corporation	on
Transfer of bank savings or trust accounts	
Transfer of checking accounts	
Phone and utility companies	Most institutions, with the exception of Life Insurance Companies will accept a scanned copy of the death certificate. We are always happy to help assist in obtain additional copies at a later date if needed.
Entry into a bank safety deposit vault	
Filing Federal income tax returns	
Social Security benefits	
Embassy requirements	
Veteran's Administration benefits	
For insured loans, insured credit cards and department store cards	
For credit union accounts	
To qualify for bereavement time compensation from some employers	
Personal requests from children, family members	
Estimated Total Number	

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