

## Funeral Homily Helps

What brief statement best describes the deceased \_\_\_\_\_  
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Spouse \_\_\_\_\_ Number of years married \_\_\_\_\_

Children \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Grandchildren \_\_\_\_\_  
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The funeral homily is not a eulogy, i.e., a biography or chronology of a person's life, a telling of stories, a list of life accomplishments, etc. The funeral homily is meant to break open the Word of God proclaimed, revealing God's action and presence in the life of the deceased and in those present praying the liturgy.

1. Describe the significance of the person's faith in life? \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. How did s/he live out the Catholic faith in family life? At work? \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Were there any significant events or experiences that were significant in her/his faith life? \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. How was the faith passed on to the family and others? \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Any special devotions or saints that were significant in life? \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. Where did the deceased work? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Did s/he have a passion for anything in life? \_\_\_\_\_

8. Any interests or hobbies? \_\_\_\_\_

9 Other comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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