

Avoiding Family Conflicts After a Death

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No one likes to think about their own mortality, but making a proper estate plan can help to lessen the grief of loved ones left behind. Alternately, without a written estate plan, surviving family members are often saddled with the responsibility of making estate decisions without a clear understanding of the deceased's wishes.

The effects of poor [estate planning](#) [1] can be far-reaching, but perhaps one of the most insidious effects is the conflict that can occur within families as a result. Many individuals believe that their family is too close to squabble over money or "who gets what", but they miss the point. Even families with the best relationships can experience conflict because of poor estate planning.

To help surviving family members move forward with solidarity after a loss, here are some proven tips for reducing the possibility of family blowouts and arguments.

1. **Talk Openly with Your Family.** The biggest problem with leaving your family to finalize your estate, and the one most likely to cause conflict, is that no one has a clear understanding about your estate planning strategy. Make a point to discuss your wishes with your family, and let them know what you want to happen. Take the time to talk to your family about your wishes, and let them know what you want to happen. Take the time to talk to your family about your wishes, and let them know what you want to happen.
2. **Make Now the Decisions Between Your Family and You.** If you have a family, you are likely to have a family. If you have a family, you are likely to have a family. If you have a family, you are likely to have a family.
3. **Consider Your Family's Needs.** If you have a family, you are likely to have a family. If you have a family, you are likely to have a family. If you have a family, you are likely to have a family.
4. **Keep Your Family Informed.** If you have a family, you are likely to have a family. If you have a family, you are likely to have a family. If you have a family, you are likely to have a family.
5. **Choose a Suitable Executor.** If you have a family, you are likely to have a family. If you have a family, you are likely to have a family. If you have a family, you are likely to have a family.

Speak to a qualified financial advisor if you have questions or concerns about creating a proper estate plan for

either yourself or someone else in your family.

Questions about Estate Planning?

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