

Reporting a Death to Social Media Sites

To notify social media platforms of a deceased account holder, follow these instructions. Each site offers different options, so review the website for the most suitable course of action. For example, Facebook provides three choices:

- 1. Permanently delete the account.
- **2.** Memorialize the account, allowing friends to view and post messages.
- **3.** If a Legacy Contact was designated, they can post funeral information and appreciation messages.

Instructions for Specific Platforms:

Facebook:

- Go to the link and click Manage Your Account.
- Click Memorialized Accounts.
- Provide a death certificate or obituary.
- Submit proof of authority (Power of Attorney, Birth Certificate, Will, or executor/administrator appointment).
- Complete the online form.

Twitter:

- Click Use this Form and select I want to request the deactivation of a deceased or incapacitated user's account.
- Complete the form and submit. Twitter will follow up.

LinkedIn:

- Complete the form with your and the decedent's details.
- Include a link to an obituary or related news article.
- Submit the report.

Instagram:

- Choose to memorialize or remove the account.
- Provide the decedent's birth certificate, death certificate, and executor/administrator appointment.
- Submit the online form.

Google & YouTube:

- Click Close the account of a deceased user.
- Enter your and the decedent's information.
- Scan and upload your government-issued ID and the death certificate.
- Submit the request.

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