

## WHAT IS YOUR QUESTION

### Dying-Death-Estate Planning

A. J. WOLFE

Dear Mr. Wolfe:  
What do caskets cost? I mean, generally, not the real fancy, plush jobs. I just attended a funeral and the casket was like the one I picked, but she didn't pay as much as I did. I think I got "taken". (L.&L.)

Dear L.&L.:  
There is a price for every pocket-book, starting usually around \$200 to \$400. What you consider a "general" type can vary from what another family considers "general". As far as price is concerned to be sure that you are comparing the same thing. Funeral homes use different pricing methods. Frequently, the price of the casket is the price of the entire funeral (excluding cemetery expenses). Some, however, will itemize. As an example, one would quote a price of \$800.00 for a casket and list services for \$500.00, a total of \$1300.00. Another would quote \$1300.00, which includes all the extras. The total cost of the funeral service would be the same in both cases. Also, in comparing cost you want to keep in mind the type of service and the quality that is provided, because that is figured into the cost as well.

Dear Mr. Wolfe:  
It is hard to believe, but a cemetery has lost my husband's body. I want to move my husband from cemetery to cemetery, because I have purchased a family plot there. They say they can't locate where my husband is buried. What can I do? (Sad and Looking)

Dear Sad and Looking:  
I'd be sad too. First, if it were me I'd see a lawyer promptly and also send a formal complaint to the burial commissioner for the state, whose office is in Raleigh. What legal ground you have would depend upon what kind of cemetery, what kind of contract you signed, or if you made these arrangements thru a funeral director. Someone should have a record of this information, and a deed should have been prepared for you. If the funeral director made these arrangements for you, he may have the information. At least, he should be able to be of assistance. Most reputable cemeteries keep accurate and permanent records, and by probing the files the location of your husband should be found. You can probe the ground also, and then by process of elimination (from office records) get your husband's location. If they cannot produce information on the burials they have, then your lawyer would certainly have sound grounds for legal proceedings. As you said, it is hard to believe. To me, it would be like a hospital nursery losing a newborn baby...and you know what would happen then.  
Let me know what the outcome is.

Dear Mr. Wolfe:  
Is it customary for funeral directors to charge you for transporting a body from the funeral home to the church for the service and then to the cemetery? My uncle said that was an automatic part of their service. (Marlene J.)

Dear Marlene:  
Usually this service is figured into the price of the funeral. However, if there is a great distance involved, then there would be an extra charge. It costs money to drive those large fancy family cars and coach. As an example, if a man died in a Veteran's hospital in a distance city there could be an extra charge to pick up the body. The same applies if the distance to the church is out of the immediate area. If the location of the cemetery is very far (usually 30 to 50 miles) away, there will be an extra charge...but these charges should be known ahead of time.

### WHAT IS YOUR QUESTION ON DEATH, DYING, AND ESTATE PLANNING?

Mail your question to AJ Wolfe:  
c/o Tribunal Aid  
PO Box  
High Point, N.C.

## Church Calendar

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convene Saturday, December 13, 1975, at 10 a.m. at Friendship Baptist Church on Smith Street. The Rev. Rankin Cheeks is host pastor.

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The Forsyth Funeral Home Subsidiary of Thomasville, N.C. extended an invitation of a "Get Acquainted Service", Sunday, December 7, at 3 p.m. at 114 Turner Street.

Guest Speaker for the service was Mrs. Rosa L. Dawkins of Thomasville. Music was furnished by the Echoes of Eden from Brown's New Calvary Baptist Church of the city. "A Get Acquainted Tea" followed the services. Mrs. Ruthenia Smith of Thomasville was Mistress of Ceremony.

The Spiritual Hylights of

Thomasville will celebrate their First Anniversary Sunday, December 14, 1975.

The first session of the Anniversary will be held at the Church Street School Auditorium, Jasper Street, at 2:30 p.m. The second session will be held at the Brown New Calvary Baptist Church, 200 Doak Street, at 7 p.m. The Rev. J.W. Flake is pastor of Brown New Calvary Baptist Church.

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**Sailor**  
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last stops before heading home. Then came May 10th and the hijacking of the cargo ship Mayaguez. The Coral Sea was immediately ordered to turn around and head for the Gulf of Thailand. Once on station, off the coast of Cambodia, squadrons on board the Coral Sea conducted air defense operations. HC-1's job was to carry out search and rescue missions.


"It was 10 days of around the clock work," recalls Rivers, "and I saw things I had never seen before." "I had seen lots of helos land on our deck but not all shot up with wounded people in them."

Pearl became quiet for a moment, as though he were envisioning the event again. His job while on this operation was to direct helicopters on and off the carrier and position them on the flight deck so as not to interfere with other take offs and landings. However, this was not his only job. Pearl was also part of the team that makes sure the helicopters are mechanically sound and ready for the next mission.

"I felt like I was really doing something," he said, "I came to the realization that people's lives were at stake and I was part of the effort making sure they were safe."

Once the crew of the Mayaguez was rescued and the mission completed the Coral Sea once again headed for Australia. This was fine with Pearl because he didn't join the Navy just to work on helicopters. He also wanted to meet and communicate with other people. His exposure to people of different cultures was limited before coming in the Navy but with just one cruise to the Far East he met and talked with people from Singapore, the Philippines, and Australia.

**ASK ME ABOUT NATURE**  
by Doris B. Kwasikpui



Dear Mrs. K:  
Is the Giant Condor a big bird? Cheryl  
Dear Cheryl:  
The Giant Condor or vulture is the largest soaring land bird in North America. Its wing span is nine feet.

Dear Mrs. K:  
Does the zebra fish live longer than the Goldfish? I am planning to put an aquarium in my office and want to use fish which have about the same life span.  
Mr. Gains  
Dear Mr. Gains:  
The life span of the zebra fish (Brachydanio rerio) is three years. The Goldfish will probably outlive the zebra fish because its life span is from seven to eight years.

Dear Mrs. K:  
I read that Bloodhounds are gentle. If this is so, then why do we read in history books that Bloodhounds chewed up runaway slaves?  
Miss Lee  
Dear Miss Lee:  
Bloodhounds are gentle, good-tempered and loving animals. A true Bloodhound would never harm any creature, including man. It will only trace down a man with its remarkable sense of smell. The dogs that were reported to have chewed up slaves were probably mongrels.

Dear Mrs. K:  
Can a zebra baby walk when he is born?  
Alan  
Dear Alan:  
A baby zebra is able to get to his feet in about five minutes after it is born and can follow its mother within an hour.

Dear Mrs. K:  
How many days does the mother guinea pig carry the baby before it is born? I am planning to mate mine.  
Evelyn  
Dear Evelyn:  
It takes 67 or 68 days for the baby guinea pig to develop before it is ready to be born. It is born with its eyes open and has a coat of fine fur.

Dear Mrs. K:  
What year was the Audubon Society founded?  
A.B.  
Dear A.B.:  
The Audubon Society was founded in 1905. It is the oldest and largest national organization which works for the conservation of wild life, plants, soil and water.

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THE ASHES OF A BLACK COW'S HEAD, FORM THE BASE OF A MEDICINE, WIDELY USED AMONG NATIVES OF THE MALAY STATES FOR CURING STOMACH AILMENTS!

IN ALBANIA, WHEN A NATIVE BUYS A GARMENT, IT IS CUSTOMARY TO SPRINKLE SALT ON IT, TO WARD OFF THE EVIL EYE!

A CAN OF EVAPORATED MILK WAS USED RECENTLY TO CARSTEN THE NEW POST OFFICE BUILDING AT OGDONOWAC, WISC.

TO STEP ON A PERSIAN RUG WHILE WEARING SHOES OR SANDALS IS A GRAVE INSULT IN SOUTHERN PERSIA! A PERSON MUST BE BARE-FOOTED!

IN CHINA, MODESTY REQUIRES CHINESE WOMEN TO WEAR BOOTS WHILE BATHING!



## High Pointer Enjoys Navy

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