



Certified copies of the death certificate are necessary to properly close accounts, claim benefits, or to settle estate claims including but not limited to:

Account/Policy	Reason	Quantity
Life Insurance Policy(ies)	A copy for each insurance claim, including funeral home costs If you are the beneficiary and are claiming benefits	
Pension, IRA, other benefits	Transfer or roll over accounts Claim spouse pension benefits	
Bank accounts and credit union accounts	Transfer an individual or joint checking, savings or safe deposit box	
Stocks and Bonds	Transfer or redeem stocks, bonds or treasury bills	
Union Benefits	Claim union benefits	
Title and Deeds to property	Transfer titles of real estate ownership	
Vehicle registration and Title changes	Transfer ownership of vehicle(s)	
Attorney and CPA	Wills, trusts and estate matters	
Home Mortgage(s)	Transfer ownership	
Credit Cards	Close accounts or transfer ownership	
Utilities, cell phone and other contract services	Close accounts or transfer ownership	
Social Security Administration	Claim benefits	
U.S. Government	Claim Medicaid and other government benefits Claim military benefits	
U.S. Post Office	To set up mail forwarding to next of kin if the deceased lived alone	
Rental storage space	Claim contents or take ownership	
Additional copies	We suggest that you always order additional copies for unforeseen reasons, and to have for your own records	
		Total Quantity Needed