The Funeral Celebrant’s mission is to create a ceremony that reflects the wishes, beliefs, cultural background and values – religious or non-religious – of your loved one and your family. You have complete choice of and final approval over the ceremony. Nothing is imposed on you. Above all, a Celebrant funeral honors death and celebrates life.

The Celebrant spends hours creating the ceremony and learning about your loved one in unhurried meetings with designated family and friends. In collaboration with you, your Celebrant will carefully craft a eulogy and create a ceremony with music, quotes, readings, unique symbols and rituals. No ceremony is delivered unless every detail of the eulogy is checked and approved by the family.

Then, with compassion, sincerity and great care, the Celebrant officiates at the funeral home, crematorium, cemetery or memorial location of your choice. After the funeral, the Celebrant presents your family with a beautiful copy of the ceremony as a keepsake.

Whether your family is secular, religious, spiritual or inter-faith, or if you simply wish to express yourself in a manner of your own choosing, a Celebrant can help to create a meaningful, memorable, fitting end of life tribute.

“We are so thankful to the Celebrant Foundation. The funeral ceremony for our dad truly celebrated his life, our family history and paid tribute to his military service in WWII, including his being awarded and decorated with the Purple Heart Badge of Military Merit.”

– sisters Deborah and Denise

To locate a Celebrant near you or to learn how to become a Celebrant, visit us at www.celebrantusa.org.

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