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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 they will not have a clear understanding about your estate planning strategy. **Make a Family Meeting.** Consider having a family meeting where you can discuss your wishes and take care of any outstanding family issues. **Consider Joint Financial Planning.** If you have a large estate, consider joint financial planning with your family. This can help you understand the impact of your estate plan on your family's future. **Choose a Suitable Executor.** Selecting the right executor is crucial. You want to choose someone who can keep emotions out of the plan. If you are married, you might
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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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