

Writing Your Own Obituary

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Objectives:

- To appreciate the place of the obituary in today's world
- To access printed and other resources
- To make a start on your own obituary

Outline:

- Handouts
- "The changing conversations about mortality"
- Today as "a golden age of obituary writing"
- Why write your own obituary?
- Bringing life to an obituary
- More:
 - life story
 - memoir (autobiography)
 - family history
 - legacy letter
 - eulogy
 - "Six words to describe a life?"
- Getting started on your own obit
- Sharing observations, "six words," and other reflections

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Writing Your Own Obituary – Getting Started

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Some facts about my life (see checklist):

A story (or stories) from my life:

Six words to describe my life: