

Daily Life - Funeral Arrangements (C0213)

A: Hi Daniel, how are you holding up? I am greatly sorry for your loss.

B: Thank you, I'm doing much better. I've begun organizing everything for the funeral.

A: How's that going ?

B: It's a lot harder than I imagined. There are many things that you have to arrange. I booked a time and date with the funeral home, but I still have a lot of things to do.

A: Have you bought a burial plot and a casket?

B: No. Wendy is being cremated. She always talked about how she didn't want to be buried. I already chose a cremation urn and we plan to spread the ashes in the ocean.

A: I see, that sounds like something she would have really liked. I am sure the memorial service will be tasteful. You are doing a great job.

B: Thanks, it hasn't been easy, but luckily we have life insurance and Wendy left behind a detailed will that will sort out any other legal matters.

Key Vocabulary

hold up	<i>V</i>	continue to live through hardship
burial	<i>N</i>	the act of burying, esp the interment of a dead body
cremate	<i>V</i>	burn up something and reduce to ash
tasteful	<i>A</i>	being in keeping with good taste
detail	<i>A</i>	having many details

Supplementary Vocabulary

Arrange	<i>V</i>	to make preparations
Morgue	<i>N</i>	A place where dead bodies are stored
Funeral Home	<i>N</i>	A place where memorial services are held

To book	<i>V</i>	to set a specific time to do something
To grieve	<i>V</i>	to be sad