



## Last message, over and out

The opening words to the song, 'Puppet On A String' asked whether one day, the singer's loved one will say, 'I care'. If the lover says, 'I love you', she'll be there. It then goes on to ask, 'Are you leading me on?' and states that, 'tomorrow you will be gone'.

There is also another song which asks, 'Where's your mama gone, where's your papa gone?' and the answer, 'Far far away, far far away'. Yes, this is another sweet and catchy song which brings back memories of the good old days for many of us.

Although love is sweet, we should never take it for granted. We should treasure it. We should show our loved ones that we care, both in words and through our actions. If we do not say, 'I love you' today, what will happen tomorrow if we are gone? Will we be able to express our feelings of love when we are no longer around?

We often hear regrets like, 'One minute we were watching television, and the next

minute, he got a heart attack and was gone in a flash. He didn't even have the time to tell me anything, not even an "I love you" or "goodbye"'.

There are many cases of people passing away suddenly and not being able to say anything to their loved ones. Wouldn't it be lovely and wonderful if we can still express the words of endearment when we are no longer around? With all the latest inventions and modern technology, is there any instrument for us to speak to our loved ones from the other side?

Yes, there is. The instrument is called a **Will**. All we have to do is to write a Will and include **terms of endearment** in the Will. In the Will, we can then include our loving messages to our loved ones. We can leave behind messages expressing love, care and concern which we would not have the chance to express if we were to pass away suddenly. These terms of endearment will

be conveyed to the loved ones when the Will is read after the testator has crossed to the other side.

Terms of endearment are personal messages that the testator 'say' to his/her loved ones. The contents of these messages sometimes include religious connotations and prayers or advice to the beneficiaries or family members. Due to the personal and emotional content, it is difficult to have standard terms of endearment written for each and every one. Sometimes we would like to have such statements written but may not know what or how to write them. Therefore, we should ask the Professional Will Writer to assist us and include the **terms of endearment** in the Will since he or she does this on a daily basis. Wouldn't it be lovely if, from the other side, we could tell our better half, "To my loving wife: I want to thank you for all the love and support you have given me all these years of our marriage. I ask for your forgiveness for

all the wrongs I have done you. I may not have said so much during my lifetime, but I want you to know how much I appreciate and love you. Your understanding and love has always been the pillars of my life. I may not be here anymore, but my love remains with you and our children forever." It is so powerful that invariably strong emotions are evoked when the Will is read out to the family of the bereaved.

So, start expressing these endearing messages today before it is too late .... over and out.

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