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To all My Dear Children: Sarah Wallace

I used to never think of myself as getting old, but since I have had this sick spell, I can see how I can get old very quickly, and it has made me feel I should tell each of you about the things to do in case of my death.. Now this does not mean I plan on dying now for I have promised the Lord if he will restore my health, I will spend the rest of my life helping to build up His Kingdom, and I do have a lot of research to do yet in making my records complete and correct. But it is always better to be prepared. As you all know we have a place for burial to the side of your father, a headstone is placed there and all you will have to do is to have the date of my death added. Remember the Colonial Mortuary where your father was taken were so wonderful to us, being Keith's friend and likely there is where I should be take and prepared from burial. The manager took me to Company, I believe it was the Nu-Art Memorial Co. at 1863 So. State and helped me to pick out the monument and they should be the ones to have the date of my death place on the Tomb stone. I will always remember and appreciate Miles and Keith paying for your father's bill there, but do think if I am careful I will have enough in the Savings for my burial expense. I would like a casket as near like your father's as possible and the lovely Temple clothes, the best they have. As to my Funeral, I would like Bp. James Bettridge, 256 Quince Street to be one of the Speakers and also Silas W. Burton, 401 Hazel St. He was my Bishop while I was Pres. of the R. Society and also the Bishop who called your father and me on our Mission from the 9<sup>th</sup> Ward, Liberty Stake. I have already told Uncle Lorin and Aunt Ruth I would like them to sing, "Oh My Father" as they did in your father's funeral. Bishop Bettridge's wife has also been so kind to me and is also a wonderful pianist and would desire her to play for my funeral. As to my financial condition most of you know, I get \$63.00 per OA Insurance and just this month have received it would be raised to \$73.00 on account of my haveing had a Board and Room Establishment for two years after your father died, to begin this month. Dad and I made out a will before he died and of course we listed ½ of what we have to go to Leon and the other ½ to be divided between the rest. It won't be very much, but do have some coming on the house we sold at Gordon Place. When Merle comes up for April Conference I want her to go with me to my Safety Deposit Box in the First Security Bank first So. and Main and will show her what is in it in the way of deeds etc. I have taken out the Medical Insurance offered by the OA Insurance so can go to the hospital if need be. Now, I want each of my children to know I love each one dearly. I can see now how I could have shown my love more when they were small, but my mind was centered on seeing you had clothes to wear and an education as much as we could give, but it was because Dad and I loved you and wanted the best for you, but our condition was so different then than now and we did live thru' one depression.

As you all know mother has given service in our Church from the time I was 15 years of age. I have never had one doubt in my heart as to the truthfulness of the LDS Church and have lived to see some of the Prophecies made by the Prophet, Joseph Smith, fulfilled. Each of my children know my greatest desire is for them to be active members of our Church and the boys especially to honor and respect the Priesthood they hold for it is Authority given from God to Man to act in His name. I have no preference in my children and love every one of you just the same. That is

why I would like us to be one great family together after death. I have no fear of death if I can only live faithful to the last. I may be with you another 10 years so put this letter away so you can remember where it is when you need it. With this letter goes my love and prayers for each of you.

As Ever Mother