



## Five steps to sort out your Digital Legacy today

This short guide provides the first five simple steps to help ensure that your digital end of life wishes are met. It was created by DeadSocial for Dying Matters Awareness Week (18<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> May).

"It is important for us to think about how we will be remembered both on and offline".



"The ways in which we communicate, live, die and grieve have changed forever. This is due to the arrival of the internet and social media sites like Facebook and Twitter".

62% of us consider being able to access a deceased friend or family member's social media accounts 'important' or 'very important' - Digital Death Survey 2014.

## Five First Steps...



- 1. Write a Social Media Will. In your Social Media Will state what your wishes are for your online accounts as well as any digital assets not already mentioned in your will.
- 2. Append your social media will to your Last Will & Testament. If you do not have a will, write one.
- 3. Learn about the best ways to pass on your passwords. This may differ for each of your internet enabled devices as well as you email, social media, bank accounts etc.
- 4. Download and share your favourite photos and videos. In the UK most photos and videos taken are saved in a digital format. Make sure that you backup this media on a regular basis.
- 5. Consider passing on your media as a gift. You may want to pass on your photos, videos, messages etc to your next of kin. One of the easiest ways to share media is by putting it on an external hard drive. This can then be shared between friends and family members.

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DeadSocial is the free service that helps us prepare for death in today's digital world. We provide best practice tools, tutorials and frameworks to help ensure that our digital assets are looked after, our digital memories are not lost and our digital legacy remains.