

Final Expense Life Insurance

Medicare provides no benefits for funerals, burials or cremations or other final expenses such as the cost of probate, attorney and accountants fees. Social Security provides a maximum of \$255 if there is an eligible survivor. Final expenses can be very expensive and many people purchase life insurance to provide an income tax free death benefit and make sure these costs do not burden the family. There are several options:

Choices:	Death Benefit	Medical Exams	Notes
Guaranteed Issue	\$2,000 - \$25,000	No medical exams or questions	*Return of premium plus interest only for the first 2 or 3 years. *Best for people who are not eligible for other policies or who prefer to avoid having an insurance company evaluate their health.
Simplified Issue	Up to \$40,000	Health questions, check of medications, and usually a phone interview, but no medical exam or tests	*Premiums are lower than guarantee issue products. *Many policies provide a full death benefit from first day of coverage.
Fully Underwritten	Very high limits	Blood and urine test and often a paramed or full medical exam.	Best for people with larger insurance needs and are willing to go through the steps to obtain coverage

Guaranteed Issue – Monthly Premium Examples

Male		\$5,000	\$15,000	\$25,000
Age	50	19.66	57.15	94.65
	60	28.78	84.52	140.25
	70	44.41	131.41	218.40
	80	110.92	330.92	550.92

Female		\$5,000	\$15,000	\$25,000
Age	50	14.53	41.75	68.98
	60	23.70	69.25	114.81
	70	34.83	102.67	170.50
	80	76.54	227.79	379.04

Simplified Issue – Monthly Premium Examples

Male (Non Smoker)		\$5,000	\$15,000	\$25,000
Age	50	16.18	42.18	68.08
	60	22.29	62.53	102.08
	70	38.45	108.95	179.45
	80	67.93	197.38	326.83

Female (Non Smoker)		\$5,000	\$15,000	\$25,000
Age	50	13.94	35.40	56.87
	60	18.04	47.70	77.36
	70	28.22	78.76	128.29
	80	50.82	146.05	241.28