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# Estate Planning Humor for Mother's Day ...

#### Women and Estate Planning

Dan was a single guy living at home with his father and working in the family business.

When he found out he was going to inherit a fortune when his sickly father died, he decided he needed a wife with which to share his fortune.

One evening at an investment meeting he spotted the most beautiful woman he had ever seen. Her natural beauty took his breath away. "I may look like just an ordinary man," he said to her, "but in just a few months, my father will die, and I'll inherit 20 million dollars."

Impressed, the woman took his business card and three days later, she became his stepmother.

Women are just so much better at estate planning than men.

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#### **End-of-Life Decisions**

Last night my sister and I were sitting in the den and I said to her: "I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependent on some machine and fluids from a bottle to keep me alive. That would be no quality of life at all. If that ever happens, just pull the plug."

So she got up, unplugged the television, and threw out my wine.

#### Newspaper Practicalities

The newspaper obituary operator received a phone call.

The elderly woman on the other end asked: "How much do funeral notices cost?"

"Five dollars per word, Ma'am," came the response.

"Good, do you have a paper and pencil handy?"

"Yes, Ma'am."

"Okay, write this: 'Bill died.'"

"I'm sorry, Ma'am, I forgot to tell you there's a five-word minimum."

"Hmmph," came the reply. "You certainly did forget to tell me that."

After a moment of silence, the woman continued, "Got your pencil and paper?"

"Yes, Ma'am.

"Okay, print this: 'Bill died, Car for sale.'"

## Have a laughter-filled and joyous Mother's Day!

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