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My

Parents

Are Dead:

What Now?

A Panic-Free

Guide to the

Practicalities

of Death

Becky Robison

Nothing about losing a parent is easy.

The good news is you have someone on your side.

My Parents Are Dead: What Now? is an approachable guide to dealing with the legal, financial, and logistical hurdles of a parent's death written by death doula Becky Robison.

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- <u>My parents are dead. Here are the 5 most important things I've learned as executor.</u> Business Insider
- Funerals, Meet Millennials Connecting Directors

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