

A WORD OF CAUTION

Every year, survivors lose billions of dollars to individuals who prey on the suffering of others. The most vulnerable are those people who are not accustomed to handling their own financial affairs.

The most common fraud perpetrated against survivors is a scheme in which someone comes to deliver a product or service that the spouse allegedly ordered. These people scan the obituary pages of the newspaper to find unsuspecting targets.

Another common fraud involves home repair schemes. Often a disreputable contractor will offer to inspect your home and then invent a problem that needs immediate and costly repair.

The rule of thumb is not to do business with anyone before checking them out with the local Better Business Bureau (BBB) or call your funeral home.

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