



Inherited Jewelry Estate Checklist



A simple guide to keep your family organized as you sort inherited jewelry.

1. Inventory

First, list every piece so nothing gets lost or forgotten.

- All jewelry gathered in one place
- Each item given an item number
- Basic details recorded for every piece

2. Photos

Next, take clear photos so everyone can see the same items.

- Front and back photo of each item
- Close-up of any stamps or hallmarks
- Photos saved in a shared folder

3. Documents

Then, gather any paperwork that helps show history or value.

- Old appraisals collected
- Receipts or sales slips found
- Insurance schedules printed or saved
- Handwritten notes or stories copied

4. Evaluation

After you organize everything, schedule one impartial evaluation with Mike at [Cook County Buyers](#).

- Full collection brought in together
- Metals and stones tested in front of you
- Written quotes received for each item or group

5. Decision and Payout

Finally, decide together what to keep, what to sell, and how to split the money.

- We will sell all items and split the cash
- We will keep some heirlooms and sell the rest
- We will keep everything for now, but record who owns what

Total amount received: _____

Number of Heirs: _____

Share per heir: _____

Everyone agreed on the plan and payouts were sent or given to each heir.

Notes: _____
