Old Peoples' Homes are virtually unknown in the Muslim world. The strain of caring for one's parents during this most difficult time of their lives is considered an honour, a blessing and an obligation.

The Prophet said: "He is not one of us who does not show mercy to our young ones and respect our old ones."

When a Muslim dies, he is washed usually by a family member, wrapped in a clean white cloth and buried with a simple prayer - preferably the same day. Muslims are highly recommended to attend funerals as one of the final services they can offer for their relatives and to take it as an opportunity to remember their own brief existence here on Earth and the Hereafter.

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