Salatal Wah'shat.

It is recommended that on the first night after the burial of the deceased, one should offer Salatal Wah'shat. (Prayer of desolation). It consists of two Rakat. It may be performed any time at night, but preferably soon aftrer the Isha prayers, or between Maghrib and Isha prayers. If unable to recite on the first night, then may be recited on the second or even third night after burial.

Method:

Intention: I am reciting Salaatal Wah'shat for (name of the deceased) Qur'batan ilal-laah (seeking nearness of Allah.

Please note: Even if recited in a group, the intention should be for Furaadaa (individual) prayer.

First Rakat, after Surah Al Fatihah, recite Ayatul Kursi, 2:256.

Second Rakat, after Sura Al Fatihah, recite Sura Al Qadr (Surah 97) ten times. After Salaam (conclusion of the prayers), recite the following:

(Mention the name of the deceased)

Transliteration:

Allahumma salli alaa Muham'madi wa aali Muham'madin wab'-atha thawaaba haa-tai-nir-rak-a'taini ilaa qab'ri ..(name of the deceased).

Translation:

O' Allah! Bless Muhammad and his progeny, and assign the reward to the grave of (mention the name of the deceased).

(The End)