

**Challenge:** When a person passes away, they take their life experiences, wisdom, life lessons, and love messages or things left unsaid with them. There needs to be a way and a medium for them to provide and preserve their essence as their legacy for themselves and loved ones to add more value and meaning to their relationships and personal life. Overtime, with limited neurological capacity/abilities of a person and not having a centralized storage databank, memories and information that people would want to revisit tend to get lost or forgotten.

**Purpose:** With Coda we aim to create a structured memory bank as a life journey - collecting photos, written material, and voice recordings of a person leaving their legacy behind.

**Primary Focus:** For individual to record stories and life experiences for their loved one in the form of their photographs, voice recorded messages, and written artifacts in the form of a life journey/memory story, customized to specific individual they care about.

**Secondary Focus:** Creating collaborations among family members to record stories and life experiences of a loved one to then supplement it with their photographs and written artifacts in the form of a life journey/memory story.

**Problem statement:** How might we facilitate people to create, organize, and share their personal legacy in the form of life lessons, experiences, and messages as digital artifacts for individuals they care about?

### **Coda – Interview Questions**

01. If you have, could you please share your experience of a close loved one passing away and what do you miss the most about them?
02. How do you ideally rekindle with memories of your loved one?
03. Have you kept any memorial artifacts like photographs, letters/messages from them? If so, why and why not?
04. Where and in what form do you keep them?
05. Have you ever been concerned about losing these valuable artifacts, for instance in water damage or fire?
06. How does it feel like to revisit their memories, like photos, messages, and voice recordings?
07. Do you still remember their voice? If yes, do you think that overtime this memory might fade away? If no, do you wish for a way to keep their voice safely stored somewhere that you could revisit anytime you want?
08. If given an option, would you like to leave your voice recordings for your family so that they may be comforted? why and why not?
09. What form of messages or stories would you like to leave behind?
10. Would it bring you comfort knowing that even after passing away, you would be able to share your life experiences with your loved ones?
11. Currently, technology is at its infancy in reconstructing the unique voice of a person who has passed away and once perfected, this technology would allow one to keep their comforting voice ever present for their family and future generations. Given such an opportunity, would you like to reconstruct the voice of your loved ones or of yourself as a comfort to your family?