Funeral Services

There are many different types of Funeral Services and Religious beliefs.

Church / Chapel Services:

Followed by a Burial or Cremation Service - This type of Funeral begins with a service at a Church or Chapel followed by the cortege going onto the Cemetery or Crematorium where there is a final Committal ceremony.

Single Service:

Can take place in a Church, Chapel, at the Graveside, Family Home or a Special place such as a park or community hall and incorporates the final Committal ceremony. There is no cortege to the Cemetery or Crematorium. The hearse will proceed there alone.

Memorial Service:

Takes place after a Private Burial or Private Cremation has already taken place usually a day or so prior.

Non Attended:

Cremation or Burial with no Family or Mourners attending



Why Have a Funeral Service?

A Funeral Service is for the Living.....

To Celebrate the Life of the Loved One and to share the Celebration with everyone who was touched by their Life

The Chance to say Goodbye

A Funeral Service can strengthen Family ties and help them express their emotions

A Funeral Service will assist the Grieving Process

Support Information:

The Compassionate Friends - 1800 641 091
Bereavement Counselling & Support- Ph: 9265 2111
Lifeline - 13 11 14
SIDS & Kids - 1800 240 400
Parentline - 13 22 89



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What to do when Someone Dies



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Loosing a Loved One can be the most difficult and stressful experience we ever face in our lives. It can come into our family life and cause much paid

and grief and can change our life in many ways.

Despite its inevitability, death is rarely discussed and as a result, death and its consequences are not often understood.

While we do not want to dwell on the subject, some understanding of death can help us prepare for its eventuality. This would include having a basic knowledge of how to cope with the practicalities associated with death and knowing what next to do when someone dies.

This includes;

Who to Contact:

Whether death occurs in a hospital or at home, the first person of contact should be the deceased's doctor to issue the medical death certificate. In some cases where the exact cause of death is not established, the Coroner may be notified and an autopsy may be required.

After contacting Family Members and if appropriate your Priest or Minister, the next person to contact is your Funeral Director who will arrange transport of the body to the Funeral Home and then begin to make your required Funeral Arrangements.

Arranging a Funeral Service:

Your Funeral Director will help guide and advise you and your Family through the different decisions that need to be made to arrange the type of service required.

There are a wide range from the elaborate to a basic service, and these decisions will be discussed with your Funeral Director either in your home or at our office.

The Funeral Service can reflect your Loved One's Life as well as helping your Family in the grieving process. Being part of the service can assist in coping with your loss and be a source of strength and peace.

Your Funeral Director can alleviate the burden with their expertise in organizing all the necessary arrangements allowing you and your Family to choose an appropriate Funeral Service.

Funeral Services:

Decisions to be made include;

When and where the Funeral Service will be held - Church, Cemetery Chapel, Funeral Home Chapel, Graveside etc

The type of Service - Religious or Non Religious - Priest / Minister or Celebrant.

After the Service - Burial or Cremation

Choice of Casket or Coffin

Family or Funeral Director to provide Floral Tribute for the Casket / Coffin

If the Family wish to have a viewing and are to provide any clothing.

What music you wish to play

Family eulogies and speakers

Press Notices or cars to be provided for Family

Funeral refreshments or wake after Service