

# FUNERAL PLANNING GUIDE

General Price List

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Effective June 1, 2015

*"Independently Owned and Operated"*

*Couey Reece Stanley*  
*Funeral Home*

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## *Couey Reece Stanley Funeral Home*

### *A word about the unfamiliar process of making funeral arrangements.....*

We recognize that most of us make funeral arrangements only once or twice during a lifetime, and that the procedure is normally unfamiliar and disquieting. It is our purpose to make this experience as comfortable as possible under the difficult conditions of the moment. We are conscious of the fact that the decisions you are making are important to you and your family, and will be for many years to come. We realize that your one time opportunity to make satisfactory and comforting decisions rest partly on our ability to properly inform you about your options, and we accept this responsibility as a sacred trust.

# CREDIT POLICY

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It is our purpose to provide quality service and merchandise to those families that we serve and to be fair in conducting all business transactions. The following credit guidelines have been established in order that there are no misunderstandings. If you or your family has a special need or situation, please let us know in advance and we will be glad to discuss alternative arrangements.

**Upon completion of the arrangement process we will discuss the payment plans.**

- **Payment is expected before the funeral services are provided.** Due to the fact that we are not able to finance funerals, the acceptable payment arrangements are: *cash, check, money order, approved credit card, insurance assignment, advanced pre-paid payment plan, bank approved financing with your local bank, or a combination of these methods.*
- **Cash advances are due on the date of the contract.** Cash advances are items provided by other parties that we pay on your behalf and are billed at the cost of those items. These amounts *need to be paid when arrangement are made* even if other payment plans have been agreed upon (ie. insurance assignment).
- **Insurance.** The insurance policy must be verified and assignable. If the insurance policy is not assignable (ie: State Retirement System of Georgia) we will need to receive a check from the beneficiary of the life insurance policy. We will hold that check until the insurance proceeds are received.
- **It is understood that insurance may take longer than thirty (30) days to be received.** There is no penalty for this delay. However, if the amount of the insurance is not enough to cover the full amount of the contract, the remaining balance still comes under the Net 30 terms and must be paid accordingly.
- **Estates.** *We are unable to wait for the settlement of an estate to be paid.* We respectfully request that a family member pay the funeral bill and be reimbursed from the estate. We will provide the necessary documentation for the family member to be reimbursed from the estate.
- **Each past due account will begin accruing interest on the thirty-first (31st) day past the date of the contract.** Interest will accrue at the rate of one percent (1% per month, twelve percent (12%) annually), on the unpaid balance. If you wish to avoid interest and/or know that you cannot make full payment within thirty (30) days, it is recommended that an alternative financing source such as a bank or credit union be considered so that a loan may be obtained and monthly payments can be made.

Again, if you have a special situation or a financial hardship, please discuss this with the funeral director so that any alternative arrangements may be considered. Remember, we are here to assist you in planning a memorial tribute for your loved one.

# TYPES OF FUNERAL SERVICES

## BURIAL

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### **Complete Funeral Service**

Family and friends are invited to visit the funeral home to pay their respects to the deceased and offer condolences to the family. Visitation provides time for sharing and remembrance and is followed by a funeral ceremony at a place of worship or in our chapel. The visitation site can be arranged with photographs and personal items from the home. Following the funeral ceremony, the deceased is transported to the cemetery where he/she is placed in their final resting place.

### **Graveside Service**

Family and friends are invited to visit the funeral home to pay their respects to the deceased and offer condolences to the family. Visitation provides time for sharing and remembrance and is followed by a funeral ceremony at the cemetery. The visitation site can be arranged with photographs and personal items from the home. The deceased is transported to the cemetery for the funeral ceremony.

### **Memorial Service**

Family and friends are invited to a ceremony for sharing and remembrance of the deceased at a time either before or after the deceased has been placed in their final resting place. Free from the presence of a casket, a chapel or an alternative site can be arranged with photographs and personal items from the home.

## CREMATION

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### **Complete Funeral Service**

Family and friends are invited to visit the funeral home to pay their respects to the deceased and offer condolences to the family. Visitation provides time for sharing and remembrance and is followed by a funeral ceremony at a place of worship or in our chapel. The visitation site can be arranged with photographs and personal items from the home. Following the funeral ceremony, the deceased is placed in our crematorium for cremation. Following the cremation, arrangements are made with the family for the return of cremated remains and/or a committal service is scheduled for the placement of the deceased in the final resting place.

### **Memorial Service**

Family and friends are invited to a ceremony for sharing and remembrance of the deceased at a time either before or after the deceased has been placed in their final resting place. A chapel or an alternative site can be arranged with photographs and personal items from the home.

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The goods and services shown below are those we can provide to our customers. You may choose only the items you desire. However, any funeral arrangements you select will include a charge for our basic services and overhead. If legal or other requirements mean you must buy any items you did not specifically ask for, we will explain the reason in writing on the statement we provide describing the funeral goods and services you selected.

Basic Services of Funeral Director and Staff and Overhead..... \$ 2,195

Our services include: conducting the arrangements conference; planning the funeral; consulting with family and clergy; shelter of remains; preparing and filing of necessary notices; obtaining necessary authorizations and permits; coordinating with the cemetery, crematory, or other third parties. In addition, this fee includes a proportionate share of our basic overhead cost, including facility maintenance; equipment and inventory cost; insurance and administrative expenses; and governmental compliance.

This fee for our basic services and overhead will be added to the total cost of the funeral arrangements you select. (This fee is already included in our charges for direct cremations, immediate burials, and forwarding or receiving remains.)

Embalming..... \$ 895

Except in certain special cases, embalming is not required by law. Embalming may be necessary, however, if you select certain funeral arrangements, such as a funeral with viewing. If you do not want embalming, you usually have the right to choose an arrangement that does not require you to pay for it, such as direct cremation or immediate burial.

Other Preparation of the Body..... \$ 250

This fee for other preparation of the body includes dressing and cosmetic work to prepare the deceased for viewing.

Special Care for Autopsied Cases..... \$ 200

Bathing and disinfecting deceased when not embalmed..... \$ 200

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Use of Facilities and Staff:

Use of facilities and staff services for viewing and/or visitation (per day). Our services include set up of visitation area, placement of encased remains, display of floral arrangements, supervision of and attendance during the visitation.....	\$ 350
Use of facilities and staff services for viewing and/or visitation (each additional day).....	\$ 95
Use of facilities and staff services for funeral service in our chapel. Our services include coordinating the funeral arrangements, supervision of funeral service, and staff to attend funeral service.....	\$ 450
Staff services for funeral service in another facility. Our services include coordinating the funeral arrangements, supervision of funeral service, and staff to attend funeral service.....	\$ 450
Use of facilities and staff services for memorial service (without a body) at our chapel. Our services include coordinating the memorial service arrangements, supervision of the memorial service, and staff to attend the service.....	\$ 450
Staff services for memorial service (without a body) at another facility. Our services include coordinating the memorial service arrangements, supervision of the memorial service, and staff to attend the service.....	\$ 450
Equipment and staff services for graveside service. Our services include accompaniment of remains to cemetery, supervision of graveside service, and staff to attend the service.....	\$ 350

Transportation:

Transfer of deceased from place of death to mortuary, within a 35 mile radius. Additional distance will be charged at \$2.00 per mile (one way).....	\$ 495
Funeral vehicle (e.g. Hearse) within a 35 mile radius. Additional distance will be charged at \$2.00 per mile (one way).....	\$ 320
Flower vehicle within a 35 mile radius. Additional distance will be charged at \$2.00 per mile (one way).....	\$ 95

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Transportation (continued):

Service vehicle (e.g. Lead Car) within a 35 mile radius. Additional distance will be charged at \$2.00 per mile (one way).....	\$ 95
Family car within a 35 mile radius. Additional distance will be charged at \$2.00 per mile (one way).....	\$ 95
Transfer to or from airport (Atlanta).....	\$ 325
Transfer of deceased from mortuary to place of autopsy and return to mortuary, within a 35 mile radius. Additional distance will be charged at \$2.00 per mile (one way).....	\$ 215

Forwarding of Remains to Another Funeral Home..... \$ 2,495

Our charge includes: basic services of funeral director and staff, local transportation of remains to funeral home and to cemetery or crematory, obtainment of necessary legal authorizations, embalming, and a proportionate share of overhead costs. This charge does not include any shipping charges, visitation rites or any ceremony.

Receiving Remains from Another Funeral Home..... \$ 2,795

Our charge includes: basic services of funeral director and staff, care of remains, local transportation of remains to funeral home and to cemetery or crematory, and a proportionate share of overhead costs. This charge does not include visitation rites and ceremonies.

Direct Cremation:

If you want to arrange a direct cremation, you can use an unfinished wood box or an alternative container. Alternative containers encase the body and can be made of materials like fiberboard or composition materials (with or without and outside covering). The container we provide is a heavy cardboard container.

Our charge for a direct cremation (without ceremony) includes: basic services of funeral director and staff; a proportionate share of overhead costs; removal of remains; transportation to crematory; necessary authorizations; and cremation.

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Direct Cremation (continued):

Direct cremation with container provided by the purchaser (all such containers must meet any applicable state or crematory requirements).....	\$ 2,495
Direct cremation with alternative container; heavy cardboard cremation container.....	\$ 2,495
Direct cremation with an unfinished wood box.....	\$ 2,795

Immediate Burial:

Our charge for an immediate burial (without any rites or ceremonies at the gravesite or elsewhere) includes: basic services of funeral director and staff; a proportionate share of overhead costs; removal of remains; and local transportation to cemetery.

Immediate burial with casket provided by purchaser (all such containers must meet any applicable state or cemetery requirements).....	\$ 3,115
Immediate burial with minimum casket.....	\$ 3,510
Immediate burial with other casket selected from our facility (in addition to the cost of casket).....	\$ 3,115

Casket..... \$795 - \$ 29,995

A complete price list will be provided at the funeral home.

Outer Burial Container..... \$525 - \$14,850

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Other Items:

Open and closing grave	\$ 795
Hand dug grave / rock work (in addition)	\$ 500
Vault service fee	\$ 325
Weekend / holiday fee	\$ 200
Moving & resetting slab or headstone (per item)	\$ 175
Sawing / removing concrete floor & replacing	\$ 175
Add death date inscription on an existing marker	\$ 175
 Memorial Packages:	
Passages Register Book (50 memorial folders)	\$ 115
Memorial folders (50)	\$ 45
 Premium – Kinkade Gallery Register Book (includes memorial folders (100), 4 laminated bookmarks, acknowledgement cards (50)	
Church bulletin (100)	\$ 275
	\$ 95
 Special Kinkade Collection (leather, wood)	
	\$ 345
 Laminated bookmarks (each)	
	\$ 5
Acknowledgement cards (50)	
	\$ 45
 DVD Life Tribute Video (maximum of 54 photos, includes 2 DVD's)	
	\$ 125
DVD Life Tribute Video (over 54 photos, includes 2 DVD's)	
	\$ 175
DVD Life Tribute Video (each additional copy)	
	\$ 9.35
 Refrigeration (per day)	
	\$ 55
Cremation fee	
	\$ 300
 Staff clergy	
	\$ 100
Staff musician	
	\$ 60
Staff soloist	
	\$ 40
Staff cosmetologist	
	\$ 40

Cash Advance Items:

Cash advance items (items provided by other parties) will be billed at cost of those items. These items includes: other cemetery charges for open/close grave, cemetery lots, markers or monuments, ministers, musicians, soloists, hairdresser, paid obituary, certified death certificates.