

Curtis Funeral Home General Price List

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"SERVING FAMILIES SINCE 1865"

UNDERSTANDING FUNERAL COSTS.....

To lose someone you love is a devastating human experience. It is frequently traumatic and can seriously impact judgment. We believe in the importance of the recognition and meaningful celebration of a life that has been lived and will assist in arranging an appropriate service to meet your individual needs.

Over the next few pages you will be able to find a description and a charge for any service that we here at Curtis Funeral Home can provide. If you should need further clarification of the services, the funeral director will be able to assist you.

It is your legal right, and our desire, that you have a complete understanding of our funeral service cost. The funeral director helps the family to better accept death, and lays the groundwork for healthy bereavement. The tradition of taking a traumatic situation and molding it into a meaningful service of remembrance is a important part of our social structure, and of person health, both mental and physical. That's why the funeral director's knowledge and experience is so helpful to those who mourn. In order to serve the needs of every family, the funeral director must maintain a professional staff and adequate funeral home facilities. The funeral director is also faced with other operating expenses which are demanded of a service oriented business. A brief description of these and other costs are as follows:

PROPERTY

The land on which the building and parking facilities are located must be adequate in size to accommodate demand during the visitation and funeral service. Owning such property, in a convenient and accessible location, constitutes one of the major ongoing costs of the funeral home operation.

FACILITIES

A funeral home is decorated and furnished to provide a homelike comfortable atmosphere easily adaptable to visitation and funeral service. The facilities must be adequately designed to accommodate more that one family at a given time, built to local codes and meet federal requirements such as ADA.

AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT

The funeral director must provide appropriate automotive equipment for use in properly performing services for the survivors. Owning and maintaining this equipment, much of which is specifically designed, and is quite costly

FUNERAL RESOURCE CENTER

In the Funeral Resource Center, you will find a wide variety of merchandise (caskets, vaults, clothing, register books, memorial folders, thank you cards, keepsakes, cremation urns, etc.) made available by the funeral director for funeral ceremony purposes. Providing this service requires considerable space and investment in inventory.

A PROFESSIONAL STAFF

Salaries and benefits make up the largest part of the funeral expense. Personnel are chosen carefully to assure that families receive professional and efficient service. To attract qualified personnel, funeral homes must compete with salaries and benefits paid by other professions, businesses and industries.

EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Funeral directors and embalmers are required by law to meet certain academic standards. Georgia funeral directors and embalmers are required to graduate from a certified mortuary college and pass an examination administrated by the State Board of Funeral Service prior to issuing a license. To maintain this license, they are required to obtain continuing education annually in order to improve their knowledge and skills. Only licensed funeral directors and embalmers are permitted to practice within the State of Georgia. This highly specialized training prepares each funeral service professional to offer appropriate service to the bereaved family.

DOCUMENTS AND DEATH

A number of documents must be processed at the time of death. The funeral director prepares the appropriate paperwork, and assists survivors in following the appropriate procedures in collecting various benefits.

TAXES AND INSURANCE

The funeral director, as a business person, operates a taxable enterprise. The insurance premiums are sizable because of the service oriented business we provide. These premiums also protect the investment of the property, facilities and automotive equipment.

24-HOUR AVAILABILITY

The funeral home is available for service continuously. This means the telephone must be attended and personnel must be available to assist those who have experienced a death regardless of the day or hour.

We are pleased to assist you in every way possible. We appreciate your confidence, and trust that our service is comforting in every way. Please do not hesitate to us if you have any questions or concerns.

CURTIS FUNERAL HOME GENERAL PRICE LIST

These prices are effective as of October 1, 2017 but are subject to change without notice.

The goods and services shown below are those we can provide to our customers. You may choose only those items you desire; however, any funeral arrangements you select will include a charge for our services. 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 merchandise and services you selected.

This price list does not include prices for certain items that you may ask us to buy for you, such as cemetery or crematory services, flowers, newspaper notices. The prices for each of those items will be shown on your bill or the Statement of Goods and Services describing the funeral merchandise and services you selected. We do not charge you for our services in buying these items.

1. Professional Services

Minimum Services of the Funeral Director and Staff......\$1,670.00

This fee for our services 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. This Fee Includes the following: Staff available 24 hours daily to respond to the initial request for services; Conference with the family or its representative; Advice to determine desired services and to obtain vital statistical information for required documents; Custody of the remains; Preparation and filing of forms with governmental offices; Preparation of death certificate, to include securing the signature of the physician and filing with the local government; Arranging for certified copies of the death certificate (state charge for death certificates is extra); Courier service in connection with filing of the death certificate; Compliance with infectious waste management regulations and employee safety regulations mandated by governmental agencies; General administration and record keeping; Securing obituary information for newspaper notices, if desired; Coordinating the desired funeral service plans with clergy, cemetery, crematory, casket bearers, and other parties involved in the final disposition of the deceased; Supervision by funeral director and staff for visitation; Receiving and arrangement of flowers and other memorial tributes; Professional adherence to the rituals of designated religious faiths and/or fraternal orders; Supervising the placement of casket and outer burial container at the grave; Follow-up attention to related details connected with the funeral service.

2. Embalming:

Except in certain special cases, embalming is not required by law. However, embalming may be necessary, 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 which does not require you to pay for it, such as direct cremation or immediate burial.

3. Other Preparation of Remains: when Necessary

A. Cosmetology, grooming, dressing, casketing......\$150.00

B. Hairdresser or Barber......There Charge

4.	Funeral Home Facilities:
	A. Use of facilities for viewing and/or visitation (each night and portion of any day)\$300.00
5.	Conducting Funeral Service:
	Chapel\$300.00
	Church\$300.00
	Graveside\$300.00
	Memorial Service (Without Body Present)\$300.00
6.	Opening & Closing of the Grave
7.	Automotive Equipment:
	A. Local transfer of remains to funeral home
	B. Hearse (Funeral Coach)\$300.00
	C. Limousine
	D. Utility Vehicle (Flower Vehicle) and driver
	E. Transportation to Airport for Shipping
8.	Funeral Merchandise:
	Remembrance Package: Includes: 1 Guest register book, 50 Acknowledgment cards, 100 Memorial folders (or portion thereof) 1 Food Register, 1 memorial portrait
	A complete price list will be provided at the funeral establishment for your inspection, prior to your selection.
	A Caskets: from \$1,995.00 to \$6,800.00
	A complete price list will be provided at the funeral establishment for your inspection, prior to your selection.
	B. Outer Burial Containers: from \$1,500.00 to \$4234.00
	A complete price list will be provided at the funeral establishment for your inspection, prior to your selection. C. Cremation Urns: from \$100.00 to \$625.00
	A complete price list will be provided at the funeral establishment for your inspection, prior to your selection. D. Clothing: From \$95.95 to \$135.95
	E. Air Shipment Tray (Required by all airlines)
	F. Burial or Disaster Pouch\$ 100.00
	G. A Memorial Video\$ 50.00
	Additional Copies of Video\$ 10.00
9.	Forwarding Remains to another Funeral Home\$ 2,700.00
	This charge includes: Local transfer of remains to our facility, the minimum services of funeral
	director and staff, basic facilities, embalming, other preparation of remains, and local use of our
	Funeral Coach (Hearse) to a forwarding facility (Airport or Train Station).
	<u>It does not include</u> : Merchandise, optional services of our staff, the use of the facilities for viewing and/or a funeral ceremony.
10	Receiving Remains from another Funeral Home\$2,270.00
	This charge includes: Local transfer of remains to our facility (from a receiving facility), the
	minimum services of funeral director and staff, basic facilities, and local transportation of remains to
	the place of final disposition. (If necessary, a transportation charge for non-local transfer of the remains to our facility will be
	added to this charge.)
	It does not include: Merchandise, optional services of our staff, and the use of the facilities for viewing
	and/or a funeral ceremony, and other preparation of remains, if necessary.
11	. Direct Cremations:
	State and local laws do not require a casket for cremation. If you want to arrange a direct cremation,
	you may use an alternative container. Alternative containers can be made from materials like; an
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unfinished wood box, heavy cardboard or composition materials (with or without an outside covering), or pouches of canvas.

This charge includes: Local transfer of remains to our facility, the minimum services of funeral director and staff, the basic facilities for arrangement and administration, other preparation of remains (not including embalming), and transportation to the crematory, the crematories cremation fee

It does not include: Merchandise (except as itemized below), a funeral ceremony or the use of facilities for viewing.

- B. Direct cremation with alternative container.......\$1195.00

12. Immediate Burial:

This charge includes: Local transfer of remains to our facility, the minimum services of funeral director and staff, other preparation of remains (<u>not including embalming</u>), the basic facilities for arrangement and administration, and local transportation to cemetery.

It does not include: Merchandise, a funeral ceremony or the use of facilities for viewing.

- B. Immediate burial with Funeral Home casket.....

We require any remains kept in our facilities 24 hours after death must be embalmed for health and sanitation reasons. An embalming fee will be charged.

NOTICE TO CONSUMERS and DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTIES

These disclosures are made in compliance with the requirements set forth by the Federal Trade Commission. These prices have been computed according to the guidelines set forth by the F.T.C. Rule and in accordance with generally accepted practices by Curtis Funeral Home. Our Funeral Home makes no representation or warranties regarding caskets, outer containers, or other funeral goods sold by Curtis funeral home. The only warranties express or implied, granted in connection with the goods sold with this funeral service are the express written warranties, if any, extended by the manufacturers thereof. No other warranties, express or implied, including the implied warranties of merchantability or fitness for a particular purpose, are extended by Curtis Funeral Home.

Total Charges for Standard Services

Total Standard Service Price

	Chapel Service	Church Service	Graveside Service	Forwarding Remains	Receiving Remains	Direct Cremation	Immediate Burial
Transfer of Remains to F/H	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00	\$250.00		\$250.00
(Local)	φ20.00	420000		77. *86.000.00000000000000000000000000000000	300 Print (2000) 1. 130 Print (2000) 5		
Embalming Normal Remains	\$780.00	\$780.00	\$780.00	\$780.00			
Other Preparation of Remain							\$150.00
Basic Service of Funeral Director	\$1,670.00	\$1,670.00	\$1,670.00	\$1,670.00	\$1,670.00		\$1,670.00
& Staff							
Visitation/Viewing (Per Day)	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00				
Equipment & Staff for Funeral	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00				
Ceremony							
Funeral Coach (Local)	\$300.00	\$300.00	\$300.00		\$300.00		\$300.00
Utility Vehicle (Local)	\$195.00	\$195.00	\$195.00				
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Total Standard Service Price	\$3,795.00	\$3,795.00	\$3,795.00	\$2,700.00	\$2,220.00	\$1195.00	\$2,370.00



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CREMATION SERVICES PRICE LIST

Prices effective October 1, 2017, but are subject to change without notice. Package prices are derived from prices taken from the Curtis Funeral Home General Price List

Basic Cremation #1: No Viewing or Services

\$1195.00

Includes: Basic services of funeral director and staff, removal of remains from place of death, minimum corrugated cardboard cremation container, and cremation.

Basic Cremation # 2: No Viewing, Memorial Service in Church, our Chapel

\$1,495.00

Includes: Basic services of funeral director and staff, removal of remains from place of death, minimum corrugated cardboard cremation container, cremation, and taking necessary service items to church or chapel for the memorial service.

Basic Cremation #3: No Viewing, Graveside Service

\$1895.00

Includes: Basic services of funeral director and staff, removal of remains from place of death, minimum corrugated cardboard cremation container, cremation, and taking necessary service items to graveside and the opening and closing of grave when in a non perpetual care cemetery.

Expanded Cremation # 4: One Day Viewing/Visitation, No Service

\$2,395.00

Includes: Basic services of funeral director and staff, removal of remains from place of death, embalming, other preparation of remains, use of facilities and staff for one day viewing/visitation, and cremation. The cost of a rental or cremation casket is not included.

Expanded Cremation # 5: Viewing/Visitation, Service in Church or our Chapel

\$2,850.00

Includes: Basic services of funeral director and staff, removal of remains from place of death, embalming, other preparation of remains, use of facilities and staff for one day viewing/visitation, transportation of remains and floral tributes to church or Chapel for service, necessary staff and equipment to conduct church or Chapel service, and cremation. The cost of a rental or cremation casket is not included.

NOTE # 1: The law does not require embalming for a basic cremation. However, embalming is necessary for expanded cremation services that include a viewing/visitation.

NOTE # 2: The law does require the purchase of a casket for services including cremation. However, Curtis Funeral Home does require the use of some type of container in which the remains will be placed. This is for sanitary purposes as well as to preserve the dignity of the deceased. All Basic Cremation services listed above include a minimum cremation container. However, you may select an alternate casket for an additional cost or provide your own container. All Expanded Cremation services listed above do not include the cost of a casket. A rental or cremation casket is necessary for these services. A list will be provided from which you may choose.

***Our Memorial Package which consists of 1 register book, 100 memorial folders, 50 acknowledgement cards or prayer cards, 1 food register, 1 memorial portrait, for all services at a cost of \$325.00. Individual items may also be purchased separately.

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