There are many types of Funeral Service available to you and most churches or religious groups have specific services that are relevant to their belief systems and take in to account the needs of their members.

Non religious Funeral Services are more readily crafted to individual needs, beliefs and customs.

Additionally, offering you flexibility of a venue and the content.

If you choose to have us care for your loved one, as reputable and experienced Funeral Directors we encourage you to discuss the alternatives with us and when you have made your decision, we will act with care and consideration to see that your decision/s and needs are met.

Funeral Services, while celebrating the life of the one you love, are indeed crafted by those who are living and may be seen by some as an opportunity for the living to contribute to a personalised and memorable celebration.

Funeral Services will recognise the life of the one you love and may also strengthen family bonds, reinforce beliefs about life and death and facilitate the expression of emotion

When faced with making funeral arrangements, it is likely that a large number of people have little or no exposure or experience in such things.

We will be with you every step of the way to help alleviate concerns you may have, by providing sound advice and options over a range of services. This will help you make informed and appropriate choices for a Funeral Service that will be well planned, arranged and conducted with empathy, professionalism, respect and above all,...dignity.

We want you to have peace of mind, knowing that as your Funeral Directors we have a deep seated commitment to you and your family, together with a strict code of ethics and practice We commit to making this difficult time as easy as possible for you and your family

Your care and the care of the one you love,... matters to us



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When A Person Dies

Most deaths may occur in a hospital, nursing home or private residence where a Doctor is in attendance and may complete a death certificate*

In the case of sudden or accidental death where the Doctor cannot complete a death certificate* immediately, the Coroner must be notified. The Police will generally take care of this for you.

* The Doctor will complete a Medical Cause of Death Certificate only. The Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages is responsible for the Death Certificate

What now?

There is no need to rush into making funeral arrangements, yet it is advisable to make initial contact with your preferred Funeral Director who provides a 24 hour Service to you. However, in most cases it is sufficient to contact them during normal office hours. (8.30am - 5.00pm)

The Funeral Directors role is to help you and your family to make the best arrangements to suit your needs. Therefore, discussions with family and closest friends or your Church Minister will help create ideas before meeting with your Funeral Director.

When you have contacted a Funeral Director, a time convenient to you will be arranged so the Funeral Director can take the necessary information for the Registration of the death and to commence discussions for a Funeral Service.

The Funeral Director will need as many of the following details as possible to give to the Registrar General:

- (i) Full Name, Address, Occupation and Religion of the deceased,
- (ii) Place and Date of Birth,
- (iii) Years of Residence in Australia,
- (iv) Deceaseds Fathers full Name and Occupation,
- (v) Deceaseds Mothers full Name, Maiden Surname and Occupation,
- (vi) Place, Date and full Name of spouse for all marriages, (including Defacto)
- (vii) Full Name and Dates of Birth for all deceaseds children. (living & deceased)

A Funeral is an important and valuable event. It should be relevant to the life lived and at the same time it should offer comfort, support and hope to the survivors.

It is important to discuss in detail your wishes, needs and anxieties. Your Funeral Director must be a competent, caring professional who is well suited to guide and support you and your family through the haze of grief brought about by the death of the one you love.

To help you plan , you could start giving thought to some or all of the following:

Will Religion have a part in the Service?

Where will the Service be?

When will the Service be?

Are there particular people you want to participate in the Service?

What will the Service cost?

These questions are relevant and should be discussed with your Funeral Director