



Funeral Service Planning

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Wishes Concerning My / My Loved One's Burial Service

"The liturgy for the dead is an Easter liturgy. It finds all its meaning in the Resurrection. Because Jesus was raised from the dead, we, too, shall be raised.

The liturgy, therefore, is characterized by joy, in the certainty that 'neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.'

This joy, however, does not make human grief unchristian. The very love we have for each other in Christ brings deep sorrow when we are parted by death. Jesus himself wept at the grave of his friend. So, while we rejoice that the one we love has entered into the nearer presence of our Lord, we sorrow in sympathy with those who mourn."

– The Book of Common Prayer, 507

Baptized Christians are properly buried from the Church.
The service should be held at a time when the congregation can be present.

Name of the Deceased (as you wish it to appear):

Date of Birth: _____ Date of Death: _____

Please provide a high-resolution photograph of the deceased in either digital or printed format.

Name of Primary Contact: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Name of Presiding Priest: _____

Please note: It is customary for St. John's Clergy to preside over all funerals. Should you wish another Clergy Person to preside or to participate in the liturgy, please include their contact information below.

Name of Other/Assisting Clergy (Non-St. John's Clergy): _____

Church: _____ Phone: _____

Names of Ushers:

Where is the service to be held? _____

Particulars of the Service:

Will a casket or an urn be present in the church? _____

Estimated number of attendees: _____

Office for the Burial of the Dead: Rite **One** or Rite **Two**? _____

If Rite Two, which Opening Collect(s) (see pages 493-494 of *The Book of Common Prayer*)?

Will there be a Celebration of Holy Eucharist? _____

Sung or Spoken Holy Eucharist? _____

Opening Anthems and/or Processional Hymn:

Old Testament Lesson _____ Reader: _____

Psalm: _____ Reader: _____

New Testament: _____ Reader: _____

Sequence Hymn: _____

Gospel: _____ Reader (Ordained): _____

Homilist: _____

Homilist Phone (if not St. John's Clergy): _____

Optional Remembrances: _____

Please note: if you choose to include Remembrances, please limit them to 2 or 3; and each Remembrance should not exceed 3 minutes.

Apostles Creed: Yes/No? _____ Prayers of the People Intercessor: _____

Prayers of the People Form? Choose from p. 465 or p. 480 (Rite One); or p. 497 (Rite Two):

Optional Hymn before the Commendation (if there is no Holy Eucharist):

If Holy Eucharist is a part of the Liturgy, fill out the next section. If not, continue to Final Hymn.

Offertory Hymn, Psalm, Anthem, or Solo: _____

Which Eucharistic Prayer?

Rite One Prayer I (p. 333) or Rite One Prayer II (p. 340);

Rite Two Prayer A (p. 361) or Rite Two Prayer B (p. 367);

Rite Two Prayer C (p. 369);

Rite Two Prayer D (p. 372)?

If sung, which setting from *The Hymnal 1982* of the Sanctus? _____

Communion Music:

Final Hymn: _____

Burial Details:

Cremation:

Interment of Ashes:

Immurement in Columbarium:

Graveside Burial:

Other:

It is required that you complete an in-person meeting with a St. John's Clergy Person to go over all of these details.

If an in-person appointment cannot be arranged, then a phone appointment will need to be scheduled and completed with a St. John's Clergy Person instead.

Signature: _____ Full Name: _____

Date: _____

Phone number and email:

Clergy Signature: _____ Full Name: _____

Date: _____