Costs Associated with Funerals

Our Professional Service Fee includes: This is our main fee for customers, and covers the overheads of running our business, staff salaries, ongoing professional training and development of staff, rent, power, rates etc. In respect to this requirement we carry out the following on your behalf:

Transportation from the place of death, personal attendance to receive instructions concerning funeral, directing funeral in the greater Wellington region including Kāpiti. We arrange the collection of medical papers and filing of the appropriate legal forms with the authorities, as well as attending to the medical referee and sexton at the cemetery or crematorium. The fee includes appropriate care of the deceased and use of our facilities and provision of 24-hour care.

Professional Service Fees

Professional Service Fee (Funeral Services) This fee is waived for anyone under 10 years of age	\$5,495 / \$5,795
Professional Service Fee (Cremation Only) This fee is waived for anyone under 10 years of age	\$3,430
Professional Service Fee (Where deceased is in our care for longer than 7 days) This fee is waived for anyone under 10 years of age	\$5,745

Other charges that may apply

Transfer Fee	\$370
Hearse Hire (per movement of casket)	\$410
Sat/Sun/Public holidays has an additional charge	\$500 / \$750
Funeral Service one day & Burial/Cremation committal service next day (or another day)	\$500
Attendance at an Ashes Interment on a Weekend/Public Holiday	\$250
Transfer and checking deceased from international or domestic flights before family take away, Monday-Friday 8:30am-5:00pm -*Mortuary work if required is an extra cost	\$500
Transfer and checking deceased from international or domestic flights before family take away after hours – *Mortuary work if required is an extra cost	\$800

Meeting cultural needs

Family Services if funeral director is in attendance	\$270
Transfer and embalm – family take the deceased to a Marae/Home (Inc. use of chapel/premises for dressing/service)	\$3,500
If embalming required outside normal hours i.e. the deceased is received after 5pm and the family wish to have the person home that night – additional	\$750

Involvement of other funeral directors

Where we receive instructions from another Funeral Director and attend the funeral	\$4,100
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Our additional fees

Cremation Fee – Harbour City Crematorium – Inc. 30 min committal service	\$1,495
Witness Cremation	\$1,595
Ashes needing to be processed urgently for weekend collection	\$250

Other charges that may apply

Ashes scatter tube	\$135
Children's Cremation Fee: 1yr – 10 yr	\$410
Children's Cremation Fee: 0 – 1yr	\$210
Stillborn Baby (No charge to family for Wellington Hospital directed stillborn cremations)	\$110
Cremation Certificate – Harbour City Crematorium	\$58

Other additional fees

Account Finance Charge – added to invoice if not paid by due date	\$575
Casket Spray	\$300 / \$375
Celebrants Fee	\$500 / \$690
Donation to Minister	\$300
Donation to Organist/Piper/Bugler etc.	\$200
Chapel Hire – (Inc lounge / AV gear / Live streaming & recording)	\$945
Hire of Chapel Lounge Only	\$385
Hiring of projection equipment (Church/other venue – not charged for chapel funerals)	\$230
Set-up of photo show	\$320
Photo Memorial Albums	\$130
Book of Remembrance (small)	\$88

Professional offsite recording and streaming	\$880 - \$1500
Service sheets/thank you cards – Setup fee	\$125
Standard A4 service sheet (Printed on high grade 300 gsm card)	\$3.95
Booklet service sheets (Printed on high grade 170 gsm card)	\$4.95
Large tri-fold service sheets (Printed on high grade 300 gsm card)	\$4.95
A5 Thank you cards – incl Setup and envelope (Printed on high grade 300 gsm card)	\$2.50

We offer a discount of print runs over 200 service sheets.

Other charges associated with funerals

When we organise other items, for example: burial plots, newspaper notices, catering etc, these will be included onto the final funeral account and depending on which cemeteries, newspapers and caterers will determine what charges will apply.

Please note when we pay such items at the families request we do add 15% before they are placed onto the final funeral account.

Please note:

At the completion of all funeral arrangements we will give you a written estimate, this estimate is followed up by a breakdown of all cost involved, so you remain in charge of what the costs associated with the funeral will be.

Financial assistance may be available from Government Agencies

WINZ Grant – In a marriage, civil union or de facto relationship (income limit \$43,422.08)	\$2,280.72
Accident Compensation Death Grant – Plus, top up to \$10,000 from Ministry of Justice for homicides.	\$6,569.53