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Traditional Funerals

Our Traditional Funeral Service

Charge Includes:

Attendance by an experienced funeral director to take your instructions, either at your home or in our office, during normal working hours. Advice and guidance on all aspects of the funeral.

Preparation and delivery of all necessary documentation excluding registration of the death.

Liaising with all third parties concerned, including the minister, cemeteries, crematoria, organists, etc.

Care of the deceased.

Use of our chapels of rest.

Receiving and handling floral tributes.

Receiving, listing and the administration of charitable donations. The provision of simple return thanks cards for floral tributes.

Note: To comply with “Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1992”, six bearers may sometimes be required. We also reserve the right to use a wheeled bier or church trolley where we deem it necessary, when conducting the funeral to a local church, cemetery or crematorium.

Please be aware that there is a £150 handling charge for handling coffins that have not been supplied by our approved suppliers.

Please Note: We would like to draw your attention to the schedule of additional charges on pages 15 & 16 of this price list, as these may be applicable to the funeral of your choice.

Traditional Funeral Service Charge £ 2,285.00

Removal by our ambulance and attendants from a local hospital, nursing home or private residence, at any time, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year £ 350.00

Provision of the hearse, conductor and up to four bearers, 2 hours and 25 miles allowed £ 595.00

Provision of a 6 seat limousine, 2 hours and 25 miles allowed £ 295.00

Additional mileage, per mile, over 25 miles £ 2.20

Additional time required for the conduct of the funeral in excess of two hours from departing our chapel to return, per half hour or part thereof £ 151.00

Floral Hearse £ 350.00

Horse Drawn Hearse from £ 1,715.00

Dove release

Single dove from £ 130.00

Pair of doves from £ 150.00

Additional doves (each) from £ 20.00

Embalming: from £ 120.00

Please also see Embalming on Pages 20 & 21.

N.B. It is company policy to keep the use of cosmetics to a minimum, unless we receive instructions to the contrary, in which case a recent photograph is of considerable assistance.

Veneered Coffin Selection

Carshalton

£ 540.00

Oak foil veneer coffin with oak mouldings, gloss finish, fitted with three pairs of brass effect handles, lined with side sheets and pillow in cream taffeta.

Epsom

£ 650.00

Light oak veneered coffin with solid oak mouldings and plate mount, fitted with three pairs of brass effect handles, lined with double ruffle, pillow and gown in oyster satin.

Banstead

£ 760.00

Light oak veneered coffin with panelled sides, solid oak mouldings and plate mount, fitted with three pairs of brass effect handles and lined with double ruffle, pillow and gown in oyster satin.

Cheam

£ 935.00

Light oak veneered coffin with raised lid and panelled sides, oak mouldings and raised mount, fitted with three pairs of brass effect handles and lined with double ruffle, pillow and gown in oyster satin.

Please note:

A solid oak cross can be fitted to the Epsom, Banstead, Sutton, Woodcote (oak) and Mitcham coffins, if desired

£ 110.00

(Size 157cm x 45cm. The name plate will be repositioned to the foot end of the coffin below the cross)

All coffins and caskets are sold subject to availability

Solid Timber Coffin Selection

Purley **£ 1,010.00**

Solid dark mahogany coffin with mahogany mouldings and raised mount, fitted with three pairs of brass metal handles and lined with double ruffle, pillow and gown in oyster satin.

Caterham **£ 1,195.00**

Traditional solid dark mahogany coffin with raised lid, panelled sides and ends, mahogany mouldings and raised mount, fitted with three pairs of brass metal handles and lined with double ruffle, pillow and gown in oyster satin.

Sutton **£ 1,355.00**

Solid oak coffin with oak mouldings and raised mount, fitted with three pairs of brass metal handles and lined with double ruffle, pillow and gown in oyster satin.

Wallington **£ 1,570.00**

Traditional solid oak coffin with raised lid, panelled sides and ends, oak mouldings and raised mount, fitted with three pairs of brass metal handles and lined with double ruffle, pillow and gown in oyster satin.

Imported Coffin Selection

Last Supper **£ 2,270.00**

Solid timber coffin in high gloss finish with carved ornamentation and side panels depicting the Last Supper, heavy single mouldings and deeply raised lid, fitted with slim brass crucifix, two pairs of shell design raised metal handles and fully lined with fold out ruffle, gathered frill, tailored lid lining, pillow and gown in white satin.

Continental **£ 1,995.00**

Solid Poplar coffin, stained in Cherry or Mahogany colour, designed with a shaped, raised lid and subtle profiled sides and a polished high gloss finish. Fitted with three pairs of Cavendish brass metal handles or suitable replacement for cremation. Fully lined with fold out ruffle, gathered frill, tailored lid lining, pillow and gown in white satin.

Please Note:

Please see our Alternative Coffin and Caskets Selection on pages 8-12 and the Artiste and Signature Ranges on page 13.

Casket Selection

Woodcote	£ 1,890.00
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Veneered casket, available in light oak or dark mahogany with hinged, raised lid, solid timber corner columns, mouldings and plate mount, fitted with three pairs of brassed metal bar handles and T-ends, fully lined with frill, fold out ruffle, lid lining, pillow, coverlet and robe in cream satin.

Coulsdon	£ 2,615.00
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Solid mahogany casket with hinged, raised lid, handmade corner columns, heavy mouldings and raised plate mount, fitted with extended casket bar handles and T-ends in brassed metal, fully lined with double gathered frill, fold out ruffle, lid lining, shaped pillow, coverlet and full length robe in cream satin.

Mitcham	£ 2,935.00
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Solid light oak casket with hinged, raised lid, handmade corner columns, heavy mouldings and raised plate mount, fitted with extended casket bar handles and T-ends in brassed metal, fully lined with double gathered frill, fold out ruffle, lid lining, shaped pillow, coverlet and full length robe in cream satin.

Richmond	£ 3,755.00
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Traditional solid oak English casket to the classic design. Joinery framed and panelled with hinged lid with extra deep raised lid mouldings and raised plate mount, fitted with extended brass bar handles and end handles with brassed metal back plates, fully lined with tailored lid lining, quilted frill, fold out ruffle, shaped pillow, coverlet and full length robe in quilted cream satin.

Please Note:

To comply with the Federation of British Cremation Authorities Regulations, in the case of cremation, brass effect handles must be substituted for metal handles.

Veneered coffins are fitted with composite bases, solid coffins are fitted with laminated wood bases.

Some cemeteries do not accept caskets for burials.

All mahogany used in our coffins and caskets is guaranteed to come from forests which are replanted after felling.

Please see our alternative coffin and casket selection on pages 8-13.

Alternative Coffin and Casket Selection

Heart Message Tags

£ 37.00

These heart shaped wooden tags are the perfect way to add a farewell message to a woven coffin. They come in packs of 10 and can be pre-laser engraved with personal messages at additional cost, or can be written on using a normal ball-point pen or pencil.

Willow

Willow coffins are the ultimate in environmental recycling. It is grown in rows of bushes and, once harvested, can generate back to the same height within a year. Willow has been known to grow up to three metres tall annually.

Soft White

£ 1,230.00

Sussex

£ 1,010.00

Available in either traditional coffin or curved end shape, this imported willow coffin has a solid ply base and is finished with rope handles, laminated bamboo name plate, natural cotton lining, pillow and robe. Also available in a soft white finish.

Colours Range

£ 1,235.00

Colours are imported willow coffins which are hand painted in a range of 17 colours: Purple, Yellow, Brown, Red, Black, White, Pastel Blue, Mid Blue, Deep Blue, Turquoise, Pink, Burgundy, Orange, Pastel Green, Mid Green, Deep Green, and Cream. Contrasting hand dyed woven willow handles and bands can be chosen. They are available in both traditional coffin or curved end shapes. They have solid ply bases and are finished with woven willow handles, wooden name plate, natural cotton lining, coversheet and pillow.

Somerset

£ 1,450.00

The Somerset is the crème de la crème of willow coffins. Hand crafted in Somerset by a fourth-generation family business that was established in 1959. Their highly trained and experienced weavers use willows from their own osier beds on the Somerset Levels, grown close to their workshops. The Somerset is available in traditional coffin shape or as a curved end casket, in either buff or weatherbeaten gold, complete with a solid ply base, an engraved oak name plate, full mattress interior, natural cotton lining, pillow and robe. Even the handles are made from willow. The bands and handles can be woven in a choice of twelve colours or natural hemp may be specified and a cross or other simple motif can be added at no additional cost. Please note that the Somerset is hand-made to order and can take up to a week to complete.

Rainbow

£ 1,600.00

Hand crafted to the same high standards and specifications as the Somerset, the Rainbow is made from hand dyed willow with buff woven willow handles.

Other Environmentally Friendly Woven Coffins and Caskets

Cane £ 1,060.00

Cane is particularly environmentally friendly, as it grows by up to six metres a year in downgraded forests, in marginal soil or in areas where other land products cannot grow. It provides an income for some of the poorest people living in and around the rainforests. The Cane is available in either traditional coffin or curved end shape, has a solid ply base and is finished with rope handles, wooden name plate, natural cotton lining, pillow and robe.

Seagrass £ 1,060.00

Seagrass is grown in paddy fields which are flooded with sea water at certain times of the year. It is highly renewable and comes from an environment where sustainability practices are employed. Once harvested, seagrass is dried and then spun into a strong yarn ready for weaving. The Seagrass has a solid ply base and is finished with rope handles, wooden name plate, natural cotton lining, pillow and robe.

Bulrush & Willow £ 1010.00

The Bulrush & Willow is hand woven from willow, accented by natural bulrush, using traditional skills, in a gently curving teardrop shape. The lid has a plaited willow edge detail and is securely fastened with wooden toggles. The intergrated base is solid ply and there are six handles woven from natural rope and rush, a laminated bamboo nameplate and unbleached calico linings, pillow and robe.

Banana £ 1,075.00

Banana coffins are made from the leaves of the banana plant, which are fast growing and freely available. The leaves are removed carefully and spun into long yarns which are woven round a natural tohiti frame, making them strong, lightweight and golden coloured in appearance. The Banana is available in either traditional coffin or curved end shape, has a solid ply base and is finished with rope handles, wooden name plate, natural cotton lining, pillow and robe.

Rattan £ 1,035.00

Rattan, also historically known as Manila Cane or Malacca Cane, is a type of climbing palm plant, similar to a liana, as it has a vine-like habit. The canes are very strong and very flexible, which makes them ideal for weaving. It is only available in a teardrop shape. It has natural cotton linings, pillow and robe and a laminated bamboo engraved nameplate.

Bamboo £ 1,060.00

This natural bamboo coffin has been meticulously hand-crafted, using fine strips of dried bamboo. The bamboo weave is interlaced to form an attractive mat that is then woven around a strong rattan frame. Bamboo is one of the fastest growing plants on earth and has been known to grow up to a metre a day, making it a highly sustainable material. The Bamboo is available in either the traditional or curved end shapes, has a solid ply base, engraved wooden nameplate and comes fitted with rope handles, a natural cotton lining, pillow and coversheet and a cotton robe.

Framed Bamboo

£ 1,155.00

As explained above, Bamboo is another ecologically sound material, as it grows very quickly. Once harvested, the plant grows back to its original size in just fifty-nine days. The Framed Bamboo is made from woven split bamboo panels mounted on a painted softwood frame. It is only available in the traditional coffin shape, has a solid softwood base, rope and wood handles, a matching painted wooden plaque with engraved nameplate, unbleached calico linings and robe.

Lattice Bamboo

£ 640.00

The Lattice Bamboo is constructed of two different layers of woven bamboo which gives it a distinctive and unique appearance. A criss-cross pattern of stripped bamboo bark covers an intricately woven layer of soft bamboo creating a striking contrast. It comes in both the traditional and curved shapes. It does not contain any nails, screws or plastics and is entirely handmade by skilled craftspeople in the Chinese Province of Hunan. It has cotton linings and shroud and a split bamboo engraved nameplate.

Pandanus

£ 905.00

Although it is not a true palm tree, Pandanus is also known as Screw Palm or Screw Pine and is cultivated abundantly in Southeast Asia and Australia. Pandanus is a fast growing and highly renewable material. To ensure sustainability only young leaves are cut from the plant so that it naturally regenerates. This hardy, fast growing plant uses less water to grow and does not require pesticides. Cultivation of Pandanus as an alternative material to wood also helps to reduce deforestation which contributes to climate change. It is available in both traditional coffin and curved end shapes. Our Pandanus coffins are manufactured in Indonesia in only World Fair Trade Organisation accredited workshops.

Water Hyacinth

£ 1,195.00

Water hyacinth is an aquatic perennial plant that is one of the fastest growing species known to mankind. It is perniciously invasive and, uncontrolled, it quickly chokes waterways. It requires constant physical removal, which is very expensive. Harvesting water hyacinth for commercial purposes is an excellent means of environmental control. Strings of the dried fibres are spun together to form a braid ready for weaving. The dried stems are also used. The Water Hyacinth is available in both traditional coffin and half round casket shapes. It has a solid softwood base, rope and wood handles, a wooden plaque with engraved nameplate, unbleached calico linings and robe.

Swaledale Wool

£ 1,195.00

Working closely with the British Wool Marketing Board, the manufacturers of the Swaledale support British Farmers by purchasing their wool through the Quality Assurance Scheme. The Swaledale is made in Yorkshire using pure new wool, supported on a strong recycled cardboard frame. The base is waterproof and biodegradable. The interior is lined with organic cotton and edged with jute. The nameplate is also made of wool and is embroidered and the handles are made of cotton webbing. It is available in Natural (white) or Limestone (grey) colours.

LifeArt Range

LifeArt are a range of coffins which are extremely environmentally friendly. They are made out of Enviroboard, which is largely manufactured from timber off-cuts from coffin factories. Enviroboard is very strong and very light. In our opinion, it is a better, and slightly less expensive, option than cardboard. LifeArt coffins are reinforced with a small amount of solid softwood, so that the four solid wood handles can be fitted securely. When cremated, LifeArt coffins produce 87% less nitrous oxide emissions than MDF and 82% less than particle board, so much less greenhouse gasses. They also use 80% less trees to make than traditional coffins. To ensure that our LifeArt range is environmentally friendly, they are furnished with unbleached calico linings, pillow and robe.

Several different types are available:

Earthcare	£ 495.00
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In Natural, Elm or Rosewood colours.

Heritage	£ 495.00
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In a wood effect finish in Oak, Mahogany, Walnut, Maple, Jarrah, Flame Mahogany, Cherry, Birch or Ash.

Life's Canvas	£ 595.00
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In plain white, red, blue, purple or yellow, for you to decorate yourself, if you so desire.

LifeArt Collection	£ 695.00
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In a number of different designs, as shown in the catalogue.

Bespoke Personalised	£ 995.00
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You supply any photographs, images or artwork you would like printed on the coffin and LifeArt will produce the design.

Cardboard

Cardboard

£ 540.00

We normally steer clear of cardboard coffins as many are very flimsy and poorly designed, however, we are very impressed with this cardboard coffin. They are manufactured from 100% recycled paper and, due to their honeycomb-style Beeboard construction, they are very strong. They come with cotton linings and rope or cotton handles. They are available in brown or white. The same coffin is used in our Picture Coffins Range below.

Picture Coffins Range

Picture coffins can be produced using more or less any design, the options are endless. You can choose from a gallery of designs or create your own, be it artistic or on a particular theme. Designs can be inspired by sport, the countryside, music, flowers, transport, hobbies, events, cities, religion, pets, wildlife, holidays, buildings, food, drink, films, television programmes, anything. They come in four different materials, cardboard, foil veneer, MDF and solid softwood. Please also note the options for printed interiors shown at the end of this section.

Cardboard

£ 850.00

The same coffin as our standard Cardboard, the designs are printed and applied to the coffin on a biodegradable material wrap. They come with cotton linings, cotton gown and rope or cotton handles.

Foil Veneer

£ 975.00

A foil veneer coffin with the design of your choice, lined with white cotton frill, mattress, gown and pillow and fitted with two pairs of brass effect handles. The Foil Veneer has solid wood mouldings on the lid and base of the coffin.

MDF

Standard Design £ 995.00

Bespoke Design £ 1,180.00

Made from medium density fibreboard, lined with white cotton frill, mattress, gown and pillow and fitted with two pairs of brass effect handles. Available in both traditional coffin and casket shapes.

The Foil Veneer and the MDF also have the following options.

Printing the inside of the lid with the same design as on the exterior of the coffin.	POA
Printing the linings of the coffin in the same design as on the exterior of the coffin:	
Frill	POA
Fully lined interior, including the base	POA
Soft pillow	POA

Glitter Range

£1,295.00

A coffin made out of MDF, wrapped in a glitter foil in a choice of 24 different colours with white linings, nameplate and two pairs of handles suitable for cremation.

Optional Extras

A name or word to be trimmed into the glitter on each side of the coffin	£115.00
Up to 8 photo's added into the glitter, without crystal surround	£180.00
With crystal surround	£240.00

Eco-Friendly Traditional Coffin

Surrey

£ 685.00

If you would like something more traditional, this coffin was developed by one of our manufacturers to comply with the requirements of a particularly demanding woodland cemetery in the West Country. It is "in the white", which means it is unpolished, has unpolished wooden handles and "bell-top" wreath holders and an engraved wooden nameplate. It is fitted with unbleached calico linings, pillow and robe.

Artiste Range

A range of coffins and caskets which are personalised by engraving. They come in veneered oak or mahogany or can be sprayed in virtually any colour on the Dulux colour chart. Engraving options include names, hobbies, interests, sports, symbols, inscriptions, poems, prayers and dedications.

Artiste Coffin

£ 1,275.00

A veneered coffin in oak, mahogany or colour sprayed with raised lid, fitted with two pairs of brass effect handles and lined with double ruffle, pillow and gown in cream satin.

Artiste Casket

£ 1,790.00

A veneered casket in oak, mahogany or colour sprayed, fitted with two pairs of brass effect bar handles, fully lined with frill, fold out ruffle, lid lining, pillow, coverlet and robe in cream satin.

Artiste Britannia Casket

Full lid £ 1,925.00

Split lid £ 2,058.00

Split lid with personalised lid panel £ 2,185.00

A two toned veneered or painted casket with either a full or split lid with the option of having a personalised interior lid panel. It is fitted with two pairs of brass effect or silver effect handles, fully lined with frill, fold out ruffle, lid lining, pillow, coverlet and robe in the choice of six colours: white, cream, champagne, pink, lilac or blue.

Artiste Britannia Last Supper Casket

£ 2,185.00

As above, with split lid, personalised interior lid panel and the Last Supper depicted in the panels on the sides.

Signature

Valentino

£ 2,415.00

Additional Keepsake Hearts (each)

£ 70.00

From the same manufacturers of the Artiste Range, the Signature Valentino has a raised lid, double mouldings and engraved heart detail with removable personalised heart keepsakes. Three are included in the price and up to three more may be added at the price shown. It is available in an oak, mahogany or white finish, has three pairs of metal handles and is lined with a double ruffle, pillow and gown in the choice of six colours: white, cream, champagne, pink, lilac and blue.

Economy Funerals

The following economy funerals do not include a number of elements that are included in our Traditional Funeral Service.

Simple Funeral

£ 2,995.00

A funeral to the specification previously required by the Code of Practice of the National Association of Funeral Directors, as agreed with the Office of Fair Trading, as follows:

- (a) The Funeral Director's services;
- (b) Attending to the necessary arrangements;
- (c) Provision of the necessary staff;
- (d) Provision of a simple foil veneered coffin suitable for cremation or burial;
- (e) Transfer of the deceased from the place of death during normal working hours (at least ten running miles allowed);
- (f) Care of the deceased for up to fourteen days prior to the funeral;
- (g) Provision of a hearse direct to the nearest Crematorium or Cemetery (within ten running miles);
- (h) If burial is specified (where this is available locally), this may involve an additional charge;
- (i) This specification does not include the following services:- • Embalming • Viewing of the deceased • Provision of a limousine • Any fees or disbursements payable on the client's behalf.

Please Note:

Unlike most funeral directors, we do not place restrictions on the day and time that a Simple Funeral can be conducted. However, if the choice of day and time is not important to you, we can offer the following:

Restricted Simple Funeral

£ 2,825.00

A funeral to the same specification to the Simple Funeral, but only available for cremation and with the funeral being conducted on a day and at a time to suit the funeral director.

Simple Funerals to Surrey & Sussex Crematorium will carry a surcharge of	£	91.00
Simple Funerals to Randalls Park Crematorium will carry a surcharge of	£	73.00

Contract Funeral

£ 2,350.00

A funeral to similar specification to the Simple Funeral, but with the further restrictions that it is only available for cremation, there is no choice of day or time or crematorium.

Our charges and the disbursements must be settled 48 hours before the funeral takes place, if payment is not received, the funeral will become a Simple Funeral and will be charged accordingly.

Direct Cremation

£ 1,550.00

This is a service for our clients who do not wish to have a funeral. We will collect the deceased from the place of death within normal working hours, 10 running miles allowed, and will care for them until the cremation takes place. We will make all the arrangements with a local crematorium of our choice and will complete all the necessary paperwork. We will place the deceased in a simple, lined coffin and transport them to the crematorium in a suitable vehicle. There is no funeral service, so no one can attend, and the cremation will be carried out on a day and at a time to suit us and the crematorium. The ashes will be available for collection from us a few days later. Please note that our price includes the crematorium fee, and there may be extra charges for additional mileage on the removal or if the removal is effected out of hours.

The total cost of the Direct Cremation must be paid before it takes place.

Please Note: The receiving, listing and administration of charitable donations is not included in our economy funerals, but is available at additional cost of

£ 167.00

Schedule of Extra Charges

Please be aware that there is a £150 handling charge for handling coffins that have not been supplied by our approved suppliers.

Funerals booked for 9.30am or 5.00pm at any crematorium other than North East Surrey will incur an additional time charge.

Economy Funerals

Ambulance and men to remove deceased from home to our Chapel of Rest

After normal working hours £ 250.00

Sunday and Bank Holidays £ 313.00

Receiving, listing and administration of charitable donations £ 167.00

Traditional Funerals

Hearse and men conducting coffin into Church the evening before the funeral up to 5.00pm (local) £ 260.00

After 5.00pm £ 390.00

Sundays and Bank Holidays £ 510.00

Hearse and men to convey deceased home prior to funeral £ 260.00

Saturday morning funeral (subject to staff availability) £ 625.00

Temporary Grave Marker (Cross/Plaque & nameplate) £ 50.00 + VAT = £ 60.00

Small Ashes Marker (Plastic) £ 21.00

Removing cremated remains from a local Crematorium and arranging for subsequent interment or disposal (Avg) £ 135.00

Preparing grave or plot for cremated remains from £ 190.00

Preparing grave for one or two interments at a local churchyard from £ 750.00

Rodding of graves £ 120.00

Optional extras available on Traditional Funeral Services

Special Linings

Salisbury £ 53.00

Satin robe, double gathered frill and pillow, available in ivory, Swiss white, cream, silver-grey, deep oyster, pink and blue.

Canterbury £ 68.00

Satin robe with quilted collar and cuffs, double gathered frill and pillow, available in Swiss white, cream, deep oyster, pink and blue.

Guildford £ 85.00

Paisley pattern robe in dark blue or maroon with 9" ruffle and pillow, available in silver-grey or deep oyster satin.

Haslemere £ 88.50

Satin gown covered in white lace, satin 9" ruffle and pillow, available in Swiss white cream, pink and blue.

Special Handles

Brassed Metal Handles

York on a veneered coffin (standard on solid coffin) £ 62.00

Extended Casket Bars on **Woodcote** casket £ 345.00

Solid Brass Handles & Fittings

Bar handles on solid coffins £ 360.00

on veneer coffins £ 415.00

Solid Brass Crucifix POA

Caskets for Cremated Remains

Earthurn	Floral & Pastel	£ 85.00
	Woodgrain	£ 95.00

A heart shaped biodegradable urn, available in three different designs, Floral, Pastel and Woodgrain. The Floral is inlaid with fresh flower petals.

Kingswood	£ 92.00
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in oak veneer

Tadworth	£ 135.00
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in double oak or mahogany veneered MDF, panelled sides

Ewell	Single	£ 115.00
	Double	£ 205.00

in solid oak or mahogany

Headley	£ 165.00
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in solid oak or mahogany

Walton	£ 205.00
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in solid oak or mahogany with panelled sides & brassed handles

Scatter Tubes

These cardboard tubes are proving very popular for clients who wish to scatter the ashes themselves or in which to retain them until they are ready to do so. They are available in a variety of designs (please see catalogue) in three different sizes.

Large (240 cu ins)	£ 38.50
Medium (120 cu ins)	£ 30.50
Small (25 cu ins)	£ 21.00

Alternative Caskets for Cremated Remains

To complement our Alternative Coffins and Caskets Selection, we can also supply a range of ashes caskets in the same materials.

Willow

Avon	£ 95.00
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Imported willow casket in round or rectangular shapes with a wooden name plate and natural cotton liner.

Somerset	£ 175.00
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Handmade in Somerset in square, rectangular and round shapes with traditional willow rod and plaited loop fastening, a wooden name plate and a natural calico cotton tie top liner. Available in weatherbeaten gold, buff or white willow with two plain or coloured bands.

Other Environmentally Friendly Woven Caskets for Cremated Remains

Unless stated below, all of the caskets listed are available in rectangular or round shapes and have wooden name plates. Open weave caskets have a drawstring cloth lining.

Cane		£ 110.00
Seagrass		£ 110.00
Banana Leaf		£ 110.00
Bulrush & Willow		£ 110.00
Rattan		£ 125.00
Bamboo		£ 125.00
Framed Bamboo	(rectangular only with natural cotton lining & engraved cotton nameplate)	£ 125.00
Lattice Bamboo	(rectangular only)	£ 125.00
Water Hyacinth	(rectangular only with natural cotton lining & engraved cotton nameplate)	£ 125.00
Pandanus		£ 125.00
Swaledale Wool	(rectangular only with embroidered wool name plate) in Natural or Russet	£ 230.00

Picture Range

Picture Ashes Casket £ 230.00

As with our Picture Coffins Range, the Picture Ashes Casket can be decorated with almost any design. It is made of MDF with a solid wood base. Only environmentally friendly inks are used in the printing process. Where a fully personalised design including family pictures, scenes, etc is required and a coffin from the Picture Coffins Range has not been ordered, there will be a design fee of £42.00

Glitter Ashes Casket	With engraved nameplate	£ 205.00
	With name cut into the foil	£ 237.00
	With one photo set into foil	£ 237.00

Artiste Range

Artiste Ashes Casket £ 210.00

As with the Artiste Range of coffins and caskets, the Artiste Ashes Casket is personalised by engraving. It is made of mahogany or oak veneer or can be sprayed almost any colour on the Dulux colour chart.

Tributes Range

HighDown Urn £ 180.00

A stylish granite-effect urn for indoor or outdoor use, above or below ground. A personalised plaque can fit onto the urn if used above ground or can be attached to the grave marker if the urn is to be buried.

	Engraving	£ 20.00
	Grave marker (if required)	£ 60.00

Swarovski Elements Range

The crystal range all hold a segment of ash or a lock of hair within the silver or gold cylinders. The crystal tealights are available in additional colours and with the option of engraving at an additional charge, (Maximum of 40 letters).

Crystal Hearts	Silver	£ 110.00
	Gold	£ 135.00
Crystal Butterfly	Silver	£ 110.00
	Gold	£ 135.00
Crystal Tealights	Silver Trim	£ 110.00
	Gold Trim	£ 135.00

EMBALMING

The modern process of embalming bears little relationship to the ancient Egyptian art, which was only available to the most wealthy and powerful people. The modern process is relatively simple, similar to a blood transfusion, and largely consists of replacing the fluid in the vascular system with a lightly coloured preservative fluid. During the process, this fluid is sent around the body using its own circulatory system.

Benefits of Embalming

The human body is genetically designed to return to its basic elements once death has occurred. This process, called decomposition, is started by the bacteria, which are naturally present in the body during life. Decomposition will continue unless refrigeration or embalming are used.

The aims of embalming are threefold:

- **Preservation**
- **Presentation**
- **Sanitation**

Preservation

The preservation qualities of the procedure means that you can visit your loved one on more than one occasion right up to the day of the funeral. Even if you feel that you would rather not visit your loved one in the Chapel of Rest, during the time approaching the funeral, you may change your mind. Embalming will give you the opportunity to do so.

Presentation

Embalming can restore a more natural appearance, giving the deceased a peaceful repose. It may also remove some, if not all, of the obvious signs of illness or trauma suffered prior to death, which may be of great comfort to those suffering from grief.

If possible, it is recommended that you supply us with a recent photograph of the deceased, which can be of use for cosmetic purposes. For dressing, and because of possible changes to the condition of the deceased, a long-sleeved item of clothing would be preferable with a high neckline and/ or scarf to complete the presentation.

After death, changes to the body can produce a pale appearance. This is counteracted by adding colouring to the embalming fluid, which gives the body a more natural appearance. Other fluid can also be used to rehydrate the body to enhance the appearance further.

Sanitation

Embalming is necessary for the presentation and sanitation of the deceased. This process also allows the deceased to be touched, or their hands held whilst receiving visitors, without the possible risks of transferring pathogens.

We would also recommend Embalming if the deceased is to be received into church or to be taken home prior to the funeral.

The introduction of the Medical Examiner System in September 2024 was supposed to speed up the process of certifying deaths, but such has not proved to be the case and the time between death and the funeral taking place is often much longer. This makes Embalming even more important.

Truelove’s History with Embalming

On a visit to the USA, Harry Truelove, the son of our founders, was deeply impressed by the benefits of embalming. At the time, embalming in the UK was in its infancy and refrigeration was not widely available, so funeral directors had no way to preserve the deceased. Harry introduced Embalming to the company in 1937. In 1950, when he built the new chapel block at our Head Office premises in Sutton, he included a custom-built embalming theatre and invited George Lear, one of the pioneers of embalming in the UK, to open an embalming school there. This proved very successful and many of the first embalmers in the UK and Europe were trained in his school.

Embalming Fees

Standard, to preserve the deceased for up to four weeks	£ 120.00
High Index, to preserve the deceased for more than four weeks	£ 140.00
Repatriation, including certificate	£ 170.00
Infectious (Covid, Sepsis, MRSA)	£ 140.00
Highly Infectious (HIV, Hepatitis B/C)	£ 290.00
Removal of pacemaker/stimulator, included with embalming, otherwise	£ 60.00
Care of the deceased for more than four weeks, per day	£ 20.00





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