

The Cost of a Funeral

This support sheet will give a brief explanation of the three main components of funeral costs.

Funeral Directors Fees

The funeral director fees incorporate all services associated with carrying out and coordinating your wishes and those of your family. These will include:

- Making arrangements with your nominated family representative or executor.
- Transfer of the deceased into our care.
- All care and preparation of the deceased .
- Liason with service providers such as cemeteries, florists, printers etc.
- Liason with medical practitioners and state coroner's department.
- Supply of a hearse and adequate staffing on the day of the funeral.
- Provision of graveside equipment.
- Assistance with memorialisation/ashes placement
- Hosting of viewing/visitation with deceased
- Supply of coffin or casket.

Cemetery and Crematorium Fees

There are various fees that apply for the use of the facilities at cemeteries and crematoria.

These will include:

- Burial and memorial site lease fees and lease extensions (interment rights)
- Grave preparation/digging fees
- Use of chapel and/or lounge and catering facilities
- Removal and replacement of monumental masonry
- Cremation charges

Disbursements

This is the final component that makes up the cost of funeral expenses.

Disbursements will include:

- Flowers
- Audio visual presentation
- Paper notices
- Church and other venue fees
- Memorial cards/bookmarks
- Musicians and singers
- Mourning cars
- Other service providers eg: white doves