

Funeral Planning Form

Purpose

The purpose of this form is to help you think through the kind of funeral you would like to have. It will also be a great help to whoever ends up making the arrangements for you. In particular, we want to help Christians to consider how to make their funeral reflect their faith in Jesus Christ.

We would encourage everyone to have a written will that specifies how your financial affairs are to be dealt with after your death. Nothing in this form is legally binding and if you have a written will, it will take precedence.

Please discuss your wishes with your family, especially if you have indicated you would like them to be involved in your funeral!

Your details

1. Full name _____
2. Signed _____ Date: _____

Basics

3. I have / have not made a will. It is stored here _____
4. The friend(s) or relative(s) I would prefer to be mainly responsible for arranging my funeral are: _____
5. I would like my body to be... buried cremated.
Please ask one of the pastors if you would like to talk through this matter.

Funeral Service

The service is divided into two parts: the 'funeral service' and the 'committal' (which only lasts about 5 minutes). These are combined if the service is held at the crematorium. For a burial, the 'committal' occurs at the graveside.

6. I would like my funeral service to be held at:
 - Whitton Baptist Church
 - Seven Hills Crematorium
 - Ipswich Crematorium
 - Somewhere else _____
7. I would ideally like _____ to be the minister.
8. If possible, I would like friends & family to help carry my coffin
 - yes no don't mind
9. These are my favourite Christian hymns/songs:
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____
 4. _____

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Funeral Service (continued)

10. My favourite Bible passages are:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

11. If possible, please use the following pieces of music as my coffin is carried into and out of the building:

1. _____
2. _____

Cremation

12. After the cremation, I would like this to be done with my ashes...

Burial

13. If you have planned where you would like to be buried, fill in this section:

Cemetery _____ Section _____ Plot _____

In the same grave as this person _____

The paperwork can be found here _____

14. Would you like your family / friends to be involved in re-filling the grave?

yes no don't mind

15. Is there anything in particular you would like said on your headstone?

Other

16. If people wish to make a donation in your memory, where would you like the money to go to? _____

17. Anything else? (Particular people you want to make sure are invited to your funeral? A specific type of coffin? Any particular items to be buried with you?)