

## FUNERAL POLICY WHEN USING THE CREMATION SOCIETY

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## Peace Lutheran Church's Funeral Policy when using the Cremation Society

We offer our blessing and condolences to your family during this time. We respect your decision to choose the services offered by the Cremation Society.

Since these services do not include the many additional items typically covered by a funeral home, we will do our best to assist you in one of two ways.

1. Assistance can be arranged through Dobratz Hantge Funeral Chapel. We strongly recommend this option with complete services provided by trained and caring professionals.

2. A funeral coordinator can be hired through Peace. This option does not include all of the services typically provided by a funeral home. Many arrangements will remain the responsibility of the family.

Again, we recommend that the family meet with Dobratz Hantge Funeral Chapel and take advantage of the full complement of services that they provide.

If you hire a funeral coordinator (through Peace), some of the services will include:

- Along with the Pastor, serve as liaison with the church.
- Make sure church's doors are open and lights are on.
- Assist during the visitation, funeral and luncheon.
- Arrange items on the communion table in the sanctuary prior to the visitation and funeral in keeping with the church's policies.

• Arrange flowers in the sanctuary in keeping with the church's policies. Clean up flower stands, etc. after the funeral.

• Set up tables and easels in the narthex for photos, if desired. Clean up easels and tables after the funeral.

- Move flowers and photos to the Peace Center in keeping with the church's policies.
- Escort the family to the chapel 15 minutes prior to the funeral.
- Collect and distribute payments to the church's staff, custodial support, kitchen, etc.
- Assist with basic questions.

If you hire a funeral coordinator (through Peace), the following services remain the responsibility of the family:

- Obituary
- Newspaper and radio announcements
- Military honors
- Graveside preparations
- Guestbook and thank you cards

<ul> <li>Death certificates</li> <li>Contacting Social Security</li> <li>Taking photos, audio and video recording</li> <li>Hutchinson Police escort</li> <li>Visitation bulletin</li> <li>Other services typically provided by a Funeral Home</li> </ul>	
INFORMATION	
Name of deceased	
Family contact	
Phone	
Date & time of funeral	
Committal. Yes/No. Time and place.	
May guests eat before the family returns? Yes/No. Table prayer: 1. At the conclusion of the funeral. OR 2. In the Peace Center	er.
Urn bearer. Yes/No Pastor	
Funeral Coordinator	
Name	
Phone	
Organist/pianist	
Soloist(s)	
Luncheon hostess	
(See Kitchen information sheet.)	
Service will be recorded and live streamed? Yes / No	

Cremation Society Funeral Fees

When a funeral is through the Cremation Society, the church's fees are separate from the funeral expenses. Payment is due prior to the funeral so that checks can be distributed at the service.

Funeral coordinator	\$100
Pastor:	\$175
Organist:	\$150
Soloist (optional):	\$125
AV – Recording and Live Streaming	\$100
Custodian:	\$ 50
Evening visitation (optional)	\$150
Kitchen (see information sheet)	Cost of food + \$100 gratuity

There is no facility fee for funerals of Peace Lutheran members.

For information on facility fees for non-members, please contact Marlys Palmer.

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