Tributes Section - October 2021

In Loving Memory

A Tribute To Our Loved Ones Lost Between July 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021



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Welcome to In Loving Memory, Tributes

This special section includes listings of community members who were featured in the obituaries section of our newspapers between July 1, 2021 – September 30, 2021 You will find a truncated version of the notice featuring the following information, if provided: a photo, date of birth, date of passing, and city of residence.

We publish this to remember those who passed and to create one more keepsake for those who remain.

If so included, please take another look at the guestbook featured on our newspaper website to send another note of support to the bereaved or if you have been affected by a death please visit to remind you of the love and support around you during this difficult time. The guest book lives online in perpetuity.

We also invite you to receive daily updates of those who have passed in your email by going online and subscribing our newspaper website.

We ask that you take the time to remember those that were lost and join us in a celebration of life. The next publication will be January, 2021.

All our best,

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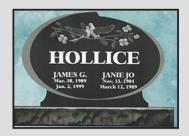






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How Cemeteries Work

Here are eight of the most common questions families have about cemetery grounds.

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If you've never spent much time around cemeteries, you might not know much about the ins and outs of how they work. Here are some of the most frequently asked questions.

What's the difference between a cemetery and a memorial park? A memorial park is intended to look like a tranquil park, with plenty of trees, gardens, and waterways. Grave markers are typically flat and flush to the ground, and you won't see them from the road. This offers a uniform appearance and takes some emphasis off the somber purpose of the land.

A cemetery is the more traditional burial ground that's been around for centuries. A wide variety of grave markers may be used, in all shapes and sizes. Some will be in the classic headstone shape; some will be larger monuments or statues.

Am I able to choose exactly where in the cemetery the plot I buy will be located? Not always. Of course, you'll be able to see what areas in the cemetery are already occupied by graves, and you'll know they're not available. But even areas that appear unoccupied might be unavailable, because they may have already been reserved by others who have done their own pre-planning. If it's important to you that you be buried in a specific place, ask to see what is available and confirm that if you choose a particular plot, the burial will take place in that exact spot.

Will geographical features make a difference in the stability and accessibility of a gravesite? A hilly cemetery can be very beautiful, but older or disabled family members may find



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it hard to visit a loved one's grave on a hillside or in a valley. A grave near a stream or river could be affected by flooding. A grave near a busy road might be more likely to get dirty. You can ask cemetery staff about any geographical concerns regarding the particular gravesite you're looking at.

Can I purchase a large family area where multiple family members will be buried? Some cemeteries have the space to offer this as an option. In fact, it may be a way for you to save money, as a discount is sometimes given when multiple plots are purchased together. That can make a family area a very attractive option, but it's not always the right choice even if it's cost effective. Some family members may get married or remarried and prefer to be buried next to their partner, who may not have a place in the family area. Children may wish to have a parent buried closer to where they live. But if your family has strong ties to your hometown or to a particular cemetery, this might be a good option for you.

Can I plant a tree, bush, or flowers at my loved one's gravesite? The cemetery you choose might have guidelines or restrictions about what, if anything, can be planted at a gravesite, so be sure to check. It's likely that you'll be responsible for maintaining anything you plant. That could mean watering as well as keeping it tidy by pruning, removing dead flowers, and so on. If you can't be at the cemetery frequently to take care of flowers, you might want to choose a hardy variety that won't require much care once it's established. You should also choose something that won't quickly spread or become invasive. If the cemetery's guidelines allow you to plant a tree, think carefully about placement and consider how large the tree will eventually grow. Just as tree roots can crack and buckle a sidewalk, they can disturb a headstone or grave. Some cemeteries that forbid gravesite plantings by families will instead allow you to purchase a shrub or tree in a separate area of the cemetery in remembrance of your loved one.

What is a "perpetual care" fee? At many cemeteries, this is an annual fee or a one-time charge. It pays for the maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery: mowing, litter removal, road maintenance, etc. Note that perpetual care may fund general cemetery maintenance but leave individual gravesite tending up to the family. Be sure you ask exactly what any perpetual care fees will pay for.

Is a "green cemetery" the right choice for me? If you try to live an eco-friendly life, you may want to be buried at a green cemetery, where only natural and biodegradable materials can be buried with a body. This generally means the body can't be embalmed using the standard embalming fluid, and any casket used must be made from entirely biodegradable materials. This sort of casket might not be among the standard choices at some funeral homes, but if not, you should be able to purchase an all-natural casket or shroud from a third party.

Some traditional cemeteries offer a green burial section. It's a good idea to do some advance planning if you're interested in burial in a green cemetery.

Can I be buried on land I own? If you're thinking you might want to be buried in your own backyard, the answer is: Consult your local government. There are a few states in which this is prohibited, and other states have rules and regulations around home burial. If it is allowed, you'll probably need to obtain a permit.

Find more life-and-death planning advice: Legacy.com/2018

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Karen S. Abbott Shepherd, MI August 27, 2021



Carol Louise Allbee Mt. Pleasant, MI January 12, 1951 - September 22, 2021



JoAn Allen Clinton Twp, MI July 24, 2021



John Newton Allen Jr. O.D. Ithaca, MI April 26, 2020



Herbert S. "Herb" Alsup Waterford, MI September 20, 2021



Peter Leon Ambs Jr.
Britton, MI
February 26, 2020



Dr. Frederick Lewis Anderson Jacksonville Beach, FL April 25, 1937 - August 10, 2021



Eva Anderson Mt. Pleasant, MI November 18, 1931 - August 29, 2021



Jeffrey Paul Anderson Alma, MI July 14, 1966 - September 4, 2021



Richard Carl "Rick" Anderson Grand Blanc Township, MI August 30, 2021



Todd A. Anderson Ann Arbor, MI July 19, 2021



Betty Lou Anspach Oakland County, MI August 25, 2021



Joyce Elaine Aris White Lake, MI August 15, 2021



Dortha J. Arko Manelona, MI August 28, 2021



Thomas Boyce Arnold Troy, MI February 8, 1939 - July 24, 2021



Jack Aronson Ferndale, MI August 10, 2021



Karen Ann Arthur Monroe, MI September 21, 2021



Joseph John Assenmacher Trenton, MI July 30, 2021



Dennis R. AthertonPontiac, MI
August 29, 2021



Pontiac, MI July 13, 2021



Beverly Ann Avery Lake Orion, MI August 17, 2021



Patricia Ann Bacheller West Bloomfield, MI August 1, 2021



George Alexander Badalutz White Lake, MI April 16, 1932 - August 22, 2021



Thomas Bahorski St. Clair Shores, MI August 28, 1941 - June 3, 2021



Andrew French Bahr Mt. Pleasant, MI January 25, 1951 - September 8, 2021



Kathleen H. Baker Warren, MI September 4, 2021



Shirley Bard St. Louis, MI September 4, 2021



Allen K. Barlow Berkley, MI July 21, 2021



Bets Wood "Bes" Barnes Pontiac, MI August 19, 2021



Jim Reid Barron Palm Coast, FL August 30, 2021



Kathy Bartaway Southgate, MI August 13, 2021



Jeanne Becker Flat Rock, MI September 7, 2021



Eric "Q" Beckman Higgins Lake, MI July 15, 2021



Bruce Clifford Bentley Gladwin, MI July 27, 2021



Donald S Beutler Clarkston, MI October 12, 1927 - July 4, 2021



Deanna Rose Bible (Goff) Southgate, MI July 10, 2021



Robert Roy "Boh" Bigelow Elwell, MI July 16, 2021



Betty Jean BiggerDavisburg, MI
January 8, 1938 - September 2, 2021



Alice Julia Bigler (Bradley)
Waterford, MI
September 12, 2021



Ezio I. Bisogni Clarkston, MI September 26, 2021



Wilma Lenore (Bellinger) Blackman Mount Pleasant, MI October 26, 1926 - August 5, 2021



Nancy Jane Blenman (McGlothin) Sidney, OH August 26, 2021



George L. Bletsas D.D.S. Grosse IIe, MI July 12, 2021



Tommie L. "Tom" Bliss
Holly, MI
July 1, 2021



A.F. "Blu" BlumenthalColumbus Twp., MI
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Judge William Earl Bolle Oakland County, MI June 22, 2021



William E. Bolle Troy, MI March 1, 1939 - June 10, 2021



Ida May Bolt Carleton, MI September 12, 2021



William L. Bolton Riverview, MI May 2, 1925 - September 12, 2021



Frederick W. Bond Jr. Waterford, MI July 10, 2021



Carrie Winn Boomer Milford, MI September 16, 2021



Paul R. Boone Mount Clemens, MI July 12, 2021



Mary A. Booth Allen Park, MI August 8, 2021



Helen Bordeau (Webb) Cheboygan, MI August 14, 2021



Sherri Lynn Bradford Shepherd, MI July 1, 2021



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Douglas D. Bratton Waterford, MI July 9, 2021



Viva Jean "VI" Breen Waterford, MI July 14, 2021



Patricia A. Brewer Mount Clemens, MI December 30, 1934 - August 24, 2021



Richard "Dick" Brewer Rochester, MI August 11, 2021



Ruth Ann Brewer Gibraltar, MI August 1, 2021



Barbara Brickel Grob Kalamazoo, MI July 12, 2021



Norma Ilene Brien Mount Pleasant, MI September 9, 1922 - March 16, 2021



William Raymond Brien Traverse City, MI July 9, 2021



Stanley Theodore Brockway Wyanodotte, MI July 1, 2021



Billy J. Brooks Romeo, MI July 20, 2021



Dorothy Gladys Brooks Lapeer, MI July 22, 2021



Dorothy Mae "Dottie" Brown Woodhaven, MI July 9, 2021



Robert Frederick "Bob" Broyles Lake Orion, MI July 16, 2021



Bonnie Lee Bryant Rosebush, MI September 4, 1948 - September 27, 2021



Marilyn R. Buckley Grosse IIe. MI August 8, 2021



Robert R. Bullock Bozeman, MT April 2, 1922 - September 16, 2021



Livaria "Lari" Burley Fraser, MI July 2, 2021



Freddie Dale Sr. Burrow Shelby Twp., MI November 5, 1951 - July 17, 2021



Earl Roy Butler Waterford, MI July 28, 2021



John L. Cadarian Macomb, MI August 23, 2021



Raylene Rose Cain Mount Pleasant, MI July 25, 2021



Timothy John Grayson Campbell Brownstown, MI September 4, 2001 - September 2, 2021



Clinton Township, MI March 9, 1937 - September 5, 2021



Gail Ann Carlson Lake Orion, MI July 24, 2021



Kassidy Nicole Carter Chesterfield, MI July 24, 2021



Trent Ryan Carter Breckenridge, MI March 8, 2004 - August 21, 2021



Aletha Lucille Chaffee Weidman, MI December 15, 1918 - August 19, 2021



Leeland Duane Chesney Alma, MI September 4, 2021



Ryan Douglas Chippeway Mt. Pleasant, MI July 5, 2021



Philip Christos Cedar, MI August 3, 2021



Patricia Ann Chumley Macomb, MI August 28, 2021



Paul Cicchini Bloomfield Hills, MI September 7, 2021



Betty Louise Clark Mt. Pleasant, MI June 23, 2021 - March 5, 2021



Ida M. Clark Shepherd, MI January 13, 1928 - July 31, 2021



Orville W. Claybaugh Luther, MI October 23, 1933 - July 7, 2021



Donna Marie Clement Waterford, MI June 30, 2021



Joan Cline Mt Pleasant, MI September 4, 2021



Connie M. Clyde (Nee Fountain)
Elyria, OH
September 4, 2021



Darlene Ruth Coffell Mt. Pleasant, MI September 1, 1948 - August 12, 2021



Taylor, MI
September 15, 2021



Eldine Cole Ithaca, MI August 10, 1921 - August 3, 2021



Alfred T. "Al" Coleman Pontiac, MI July 21, 2021



William Harvey Compton Jr. Sterling Heights, MI May 3, 1936 - August 9, 2021



Shirley Ann Conger Dryden, MI September 5, 2021



Maria Elena Conlon Washington Twp., MI August 11, 2021



Dorothy G. Copony Charlottesville, VA July 23, 2021



Danny CornwellColumbus Township, MI
September 22, 2021



Virginia E. Covert Rose Twp., MI September 25, 2021



Sandra Jean "Sandi" Cowell
Port Charlotte, FL
August 13, 2021



Richard Dale Sr Cowles Troy, MI August 12, 2021



Bessie Louise Cox Winfield, AL August 24, 2021



Gerald "Bud" Cox Holly, MI September 26, 2021



Christopher Craik Mt. Clemens, MI September 14, 2021



Kathy Lynne Cronk Milford, MI August 23, 2021



Norma Jean Cryderman Linden, MI September 18, 2021



Joan M Culver Alma, MI July 24, 2021



Patrick J. Curtin Ferndale, MI July 25, 2021



Pamela B. Daddario Trenton, MI August 21, 2021



Carl D. Daniels Chesterfield, MI June 29, 2021



Denise Geralyn Daniels Mount Pleasant, MI March 29, 1957 - August 27, 2021



LeRoy W. Davis White Lake, MI September 17, 2021



William H. Davis Keego Harbor, MI August 19, 2021



Darl Edwin Daw Commerce Twp., MI September 14, 2021

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Kathleen Ann DeBusschere Battle Creek, MI June 7, 2021



Harriet W. Decker Mount Pleasant, MI August 16, 2021



Jason Matthew DeLeon St. Louis, MI April 19, 2021



Benjamin E. Des Jardins Troy, MI September 8, 2021



Angela Josephine DeSico Rochester Hills, MI August 4, 2021



Avery William Dexter Tulsa, OK August 7, 2021



Joel Lewis Dickerson Kalamazoo, MI September 21, 1944 - July 20, 2021



Alfred Dickman St Louis, MI June 28, 2021



Anne Diederichs
Taylor, MI
August 14, 2021



Mario DiVecchio Centerline, MI January 23, 1929 - September 22, 2021



Wallace "Wally" Doebler Dyersburg, TN June 3, 1923 - June 11, 2021



Gerald "Jerry" DolanDearborn, MI
August 13, 2021



John Dolega Dearborn, MI June 26, 2021



Margaret Donahue St. Clair Shores, MI August 13, 2021



Walter Roy Dow Romulus, MI September 12, 2021



James E. Draper Shepherd, MI July 17, 2021



Holley Gene Duffield Mt Pleasant, MI August 16, 1934 - June 22, 2021



Mary Elizabeth Duffy Rochester Hills, MI August 23, 2021



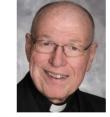
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September 15, 2021



Robert Harvey "Rob" Dwornick Wyandotte, MI September 12, 2021



Fr. Eugene Dwyer, S.J. Clarkston, MI July 16, 2021



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Nancy Irene Ellegood Dearborn, MI May 15, 1952 - July 4, 2021



Andrew Charles "Drew" Eppens New Hudson, MI August 6, 2021



Carl Norman Erickson Bloomfield Hills, MI August 30, 2021



John Anthony Eritano Mt Pleasant, MI September 19, 2021



Jose Luis "Pepe" Esparza Taylor, MI August 18, 2021



William Francis Jr. Faber Beal City, MI July 31, 1932 - July 13, 2021



Robert J. Fannon Jr.Fraser, MI
August 6, 2021



John Joseph Farah Mount Clemens, MI September 5, 2021

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Barbara Ruth Fate Remus, MI July 6, 2021



Shirley Ruth Fawcett
Birmingham, MI
June 28, 2021



Norma Jean Fay Pontiac, MI September 14, 2021



Carolee Jo Fenner (Snyder)

Troy, MI

July 16, 2021



Elsie Lois Finch Mt. Pleasant, MI May 23, 2021



Mark Alan Finch Alma, MI August 9, 1958 - August 11, 2021



Wanda Mae Flowers Alma, MI March 29, 2020



Dorothy FortunaRoseville, MI
August 20, 2021



Derek Raymond Foster Ithaca, MI August 18, 2021



Janice K. Fowler Clarkston, MI July 29, 2021



Dorothy Jean FraileyTaylor, MI
August 16, 2021



Bethany Ann Franks Mt. Pleasant, MI July 25, 2021



Lisa M. Fredericks Mt. Pleasant, MI April 10, 2021



Mark E. Fredrick Waterford, MI July 9, 2021



Joyce Frias White Lake, MI October 14, 1932 - September 21, 2021



Henry Levan FultonMount Pleasant, MI
April 16, 1935 - August 19, 2021



Charlotte Marie Funnell, Mark Allen Funnell Mt. Pleasant, MI December 4, 2020



Marjorie L. Gabriel Clinton Twp, MI August 15, 2021



Elaine May Gagnon Lapeer, MI September 9, 2021



Angela Renee Galbraith Auburn Hills, MI September 6, 2021



Naomi Lou Galehouse Alma, MI July 9, 2021



Darlene A. Garcia Spring Hills, FL August 20, 2021



Gregory Joseph GarciaAlma, MI
August 27, 2021



Naomi Gardner Pontiac, MI August 1, 2021



Grant Lee GauldMount Pleasant, MI
August 29, 1974 - August 24, 2021



Barbara Alice Gay Alma, MI August 23, 2021



Rosa "Maxine" Geiger Waterford, MI August 21, 2021



Laurie Ann GiglioWaterford, MI
July 12, 2021



Diane L. Gill Macomb County, MI July 13, 2021



Victoria Giroux Wyandotte, MI July 18, 2021



Shirley Ann Glass Warren, MI August 28, 2021



John Roy Goike St. Clair Township, MI July 15, 2021



Oliver M. Golding Waterford, MI September 18, 2021



Thomas Gonzalez Waterford, MI September 11, 2021



Janet Kay Goodyear Crawford, MI July 12, 1950 - July 9, 2021



Richard Walter Gorges Auburn Hills, MI September 26, 2021



Gary GougeonRoseville, MI
September 11, 2021



Mary Gower Dearborn, MI July 4, 2021



Clifford Gracey West Bloomfield, MI July 17, 1952 - July 5, 2021



James H. Grady White Lake, MI July 16, 2021



Robert James Graham Pontiac, MI March 21, 1932 - July 18, 2021



Steven Graham St. Clair Shores, MI July 17, 2021



Louise Marie Green Clarkston, MI August 4, 2021



Cynthia Anne Greene (Tabor) Clarkston, MI August 18, 2021



Nancy Jean Griffin Harrison, MI October 27, 1938 - July 15, 2021



Marcia Gronos Taylor, MI August 16, 1949 - September 19, 2021



Steven Paul GruchalaWhite Lake, MI
December 12, 1960 - August 20, 2021



Jason Lynn Gruss Beal City, MI February 28, 1980 - August 4, 2021



Henry Gruzwalski Sr. Clawson, MI August 22, 2021



Irmgard GuestWaterford, MI
November 24, 1928 - August 10, 2021



Ruth E. Guthrie Shepherd, MI August 26, 2021



Gary (Animal) Hackett Rosebush, MI September 8, 2021



Barbara Jean Hales Dearborn, MI September 4, 2021



Michelle Len Hall Holly, MI July 10, 2021



Geraldine Katherine Hall (Nee Bilovus) Clawson, MI September 21, 2021



Timothy R. Hallock Elwell, MI August 20, 2021



Edward "Ted" J. Hammett Clinton Township, MI August 15, 2021



Anna Hampton Macomb County, MI August 5, 2021



Philip Michael Hampton Clarkston, MI July 24, 2021



LeEtta Hansen Mt. Pleasant, MI December 7, 1931 - September 5, 2021

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Marie D. Hardy Owosso, MI August 16, 2021



Joyce Elizabeth Harner (Phares)
Oakland County, MI
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John Raymond Harrier Alma, MI July 20, 1947 - September 21, 2021



Charlynn Marie Harris Howell, MI July 15, 2021



Michael David Harris Riverview, MI September 4, 2021



John "Jack" Stanley Harris, Sr. Mount Pleasant, MI July 19, 2020



Warren, MI August 27, 2021



Patricia Ann Hayward Waterford, MI July 24, 2021



Erik Thomas Heeres Romeo, MI December 31, 1979 - August 7, 2021



Judith Ann Hegeman Warren, MI July 24, 1935 - June 25, 2021



Caroline Marie Christiansen Held Chelsea, MI June 25, 2021



Alice Ruth (Tetzlaff) Helms Mount Pleasant, MI April 14, 1924 - September 8, 2021



Lucille Hemme Fraser, MI September 7, 2021



Ruth Hercula Roseville, MI August 7, 2021



Wanda Herman Sterling Heights, MI January 28, 1924 - August 29, 2021



Brenda Sue, Roger Clayton Hess Luzerne, MI November 26, 2020



Dorothy Hessell Lenox, MI August 23, 2021



Belinda Hetzman Mt. Pleasant, MI June 10, 1962 - March 25, 2020



Margaret (Peg) Jackson Hicks Mt. Pleasant, MI February 17, 1936 - August 18, 2021



Frank J. Hicks Jr.
Taylor, MI
August 3, 2021



Joseph A. Higgins New Haven, MI August 14, 2021



James A. Hildebrand Pontiac, MI August 28, 2021



Carol Joyce Hill Hastings, MI August 25, 2021



Joyce E. Hillert Waterford, MI July 1, 2021



Ruth L. Hillis Midland, MI March 2, 1924 - August 23, 2021



Diana S. Hitchingham Shepherd, MI June 16, 1943 - September 28, 2021



Laura Elaine Cindy Hitsman Alma, MI August 5, 2021



Michael Hodges Clarkston, MI August 14, 2021



Ruth Louise Hodson Niceville, FL August 17, 2021



Myron E. "Mike" Hohf Oscoda, MI September 11, 2021



Susan L. Hohf Rochester Hills, MI July 15, 2021



Kenneth Paul Hojnacki Shelby Township, MI July 4, 2021



Joan Claudette Holton Alma, MI July 19, 2021



Martha Marie Hood (Johnson) Auburn Hills, MI July 14, 2021



Marcy Lynn (McDonald) Hosking Mount Pleasant, MI September 23, 2021



T. Jean HoughtonEaton Rapids, MI
March 6, 1924 - August 9, 2021



Bryan Ray "Farmer House Rosebush, MI May 13, 1948 - August 16, 2021



Royal Oak, MI April 30, 1919 - July 15, 2021



Raymond Eugene Howe Shelby Twp., MI June 23, 2021



Shirley J. Hufstetler Harrison Township, MI July 5, 2021



Suzanne Hummel Riley Shepherd, MI September 20, 2020



Theresa M. Hund Clarkston, MI July 7, 2021



Patricia H Ingmanson Ferndale, MI December 25, 1933 - September 2, 2020



Janice Elizabeth Inman Ortonville, MI March 25, 1950 - August 25, 2021



Thomas Michael Iwanicki Warren, MI September 5, 2021



Sarah Jackson Macomb Township, MI July 30, 1939 - September 26, 2021



Rodger D. Jackson Sr. Macomb County, MI July 10, 2021



Michael Janadia Eastpointe, MI August 14, 1964 - August 16, 2021



Michael "Mike" Janette Oakland County, MI November 22, 2020



Shovein Jeffrey St. Clair Shores, MI July 3, 2021



Annette Marie Johnston Ira Township, MI July 21, 2021



Gerald "Jerry" Jones Charlotte, MI July 11, 2021



Stephen Jones Oxford, MI August 25, 2021



Nora L. Jones Waterford, MI September 16, 2021



James "Jim" Judd Roseville, MI September 8, 2021



Patrick Joseph Judge Winn, MI March 17, 1943 - July 29, 2021



Cheryl Roseanne Kadar Ecorse, MI September 7, 2021



Linda Marelle Kaleniecki (Terry)Addison Twp, MI
August 31, 2021



Edward H. Kalis Mount Pleasant, MI February 3, 1948 - August 5, 2021



Deborah Kania (Fugate) Warren, MI July 12, 2021



James E. Kapsa Brownstown, MI September 24, 2021



Laura M. Karam Waterford, MI August 22, 2021



Tyrone Wayne Keller New Boston, MI August 13, 2021



Norma E. Kelley-Smith Waterford, MI July 27, 2021



Willard C. Kendall Grosse Pointe Woods, MI February 3, 1939 - September 11, 2021



Gary Jay Kennedy Sr. Wyandotte, MI July 10, 2021



Marilyn Jean Kilman (Nee Maynard) Little River, SC July 13, 2021



Margaret Kimmel Dearborn, MI September 23, 2021



Clair B. Kirsten New Baltimore, MI August 10, 2021



Rita C. Kless Clinton Township, MI March 16, 2021



Gordon Koch Detroit, MI August 12, 2021



Kenneth (Ken) W. Kopke Mt. Pleasant, MI September 20, 1942 - August 29, 2021



Edward Korzetz Sr. Southgate, MI July 30, 2021



Rosalie Mae Koshko (Peterlin)
Trenton, MI
September 1, 2021



Marie Koss-Johansson Sterling Heights, MI June 10, 2021



Joyce Elaine (Frisbie) Koutz Elwell, MI July 29, 2021



Elizabeth "Betty" Koziarski Clinton Township, MI September 22, 2021



Mary Catherine Kraatz Wyandotte, MI June 30, 2021



James W. "Jim" Kraft Clarkston, MI September 22, 2021



Jo Ann Krajewski (Napier)Rochester, MI
July 11, 2021



Gerald F. Krueger Southgate, MI August 7, 2021



Donna Kukuk Macomb Twp, MI August 1, 1940 - July 14, 2021



Elizabeth Ann Kulin Lake Isabella, MI August 6, 1946 - September 6, 2021



Robert Kullman Mt. Pleasant, MI September 10, 1944 - September 11, 2021



Barbara Ann Kurzatkowski Roseville, MI August 2, 2021



Stanley Kurzyniec Lincoln Park, MI July 13, 2021



Gary Lewis Kushmaul Lake, MI August 25, 2021



John Kutchinski Mount Pleasant, MI August 31, 2021



Robert L. Kuzava Jr. Trenton, MI August 27, 2021



John Kuzemka Hazel Park, MI December 20, 1954 - August 3, 2021

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Brian Lafferty Clarkston, MI September 8, 2021



Robert Burton Lammy Rochester Hills, MI June 23, 2021



Julie Marie Lamons Farwell, MI November 24, 1994 - August 24, 2021



Glen Oren LaMott Shepherd, MI September 3, 2021



David Lee Langlois Rosebush, MI July 29, 2021



George R. Lannoo Sterling Heights, MI September 17, 2021



Richard C. Lasho Brighton, MI August 2, 2021



Maryann H. Latosz Chesterfield, MI July 13, 2021



Donna Mae Laurin Wyandotte, MI September 15, 2021



Dale Joseph Lawens Mount Pleasant, MI August 7, 2021



Patricia A. Lawrence Ball Wyandotte, MI September 24, 2021



Alice Lawson Lincoln Park, MI June 26, 2021



Orville Bradford Lefko Oakland County, MI February 23, 2021



Penny Lou Lezan Saginaw, MI March 20, 1947 - July 2, 2021



Joyce Irene Lindeman Ypsilanti, MI September 8, 2021



Sharon Kay (Stahl) LiscombMount Pleasant, MI
February 15, 1943 - September 13, 2021



Norma "Jean" Logan Clarkston, MI September 9, 2021



Donna D. Long New Baltimore, MI August 9, 2021



Sharon I Love The Villages, FL June 26, 2021



Richard Floyd Lumbert Mount Pleasant, MI October 29, 1938 - September 13, 2021



Donna Gail Lumetta Chesterfield, MI September 10, 2021



Jamey Jay Lynn Sr. Lincoln Park,, MI August 29, 2021



Lois Jean MacDonald Trenton, MI October 13, 1935 - June 26, 2021



Mary MacDonald New Baltimore, MI March 22, 2021



Floris Marguerite Maeder Weidman, MI January 6, 1926 - April 9, 2020



William Joseph Maher Comstock Park, MI July 12, 2021



Allen Majewski Warren, MI September 17, 1951 - August 3, 2021



John Victor Manzullo Alma, MI December 5, 1928 - August 23, 2021



Lucile Maran Naples, FL August 21, 2021



Mary Catherine Marino Bloomfield Hills, MI March 25, 1929 - August 5, 2021

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Edwin B. MaroziRoseville, MI
July 18, 2021



Angelia Mary Martin Saginaw, Formerly of St. Louis, MI June 30, 1940 - August 9, 2021



Diane Faye MartinVestaburg, MI
May 12, 1944 - September 22, 2021



Marjorie Kay Martin-Bonstelle Lake, MI May 21, 1956 - September 13, 2021



Darlaine Marie Martinez
Taylor, MI
June 7, 2021



Montoy Mary Helen Alma, MI September 9, 2021



Phyllis Ann Massick Mount Pleasant, MI July 4, 1939 - August 11, 2021



Sandra Kay Matthews
Bloomington, IN
July 21, 2021



Linda Sue May-Pallister (Smith) Highland, MI November 17, 2020



Carol Ann (Nickelson) Mayes Alma, MI July 13, 2021



Jerrald Lynn Maynard Rochester, MI September 18, 2021



Allen G. Mayville Wyandotte, MI August 8, 2021



David John Mc Culloch Commerce Township, MI July 25, 2021



Joyce Ellen McClelland (McGrew) Oxford, MI August 1, 2021



Geraldine A. "Gerry McClure Alma, MI August 1, 2021



Carol L. McCune Edmore, MI July 12, 2021



John F. McEwan River Rouge, MI November 18, 2020



Sharon Diane McFarland Woodhaven, MI March 9, 2020



Harry A. "Mack" McFeely New Baltimore, MI September 1, 2021



Joyce McGillis Alma, MI September 22, 2021



Michael Joseph McGrath Grand Rapids, MI August 27, 2021



Rozanne Collins McGraw Bloomfield Hills, MI August 2, 1919 - July 7, 2021



Jane Marie McKay Trenton, MI August 18, 2021



David Lyle Kemler McKenzie Rochester Hills, MI August 23, 2021



Patricia L. McKenzie Brownstown, MI September 13, 2021



Denise M. McMahon Auburn Hills, MI August 8, 2021



Shelby Lee "Skip" Meredith Jr. Holly, MI July 18, 2021



John Merlo Troy, MI April 14, 2020



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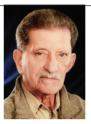
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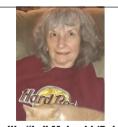
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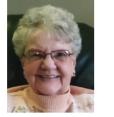
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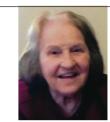
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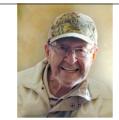
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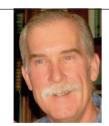
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How Funeral Directors Help Families

Eight important tasks that the professionals will help you with.

BY LINNEA CROWTHER | LEGACY.COM

funeral director can be one of your most important allies in the days and weeks after a loved one's death. Whether the funeral was prepared for years in advance, or the death was unexpected and you're making all the arrangements in a grief-stricken hurry, there's so much you can lean on a funeral director for. Here are some of the primary things a funeral director helps a family with.

Transporting the body. When a death has occurred, the funeral home is one of the first phone calls you'll make. If your loved one died in the hospital, at home, or somewhere else, the funeral director will arrange for their body to be transported to the funeral home, where preparations for services will begin. Even when a death occurs far from home, in another state or country, the funeral director is the one who takes point on getting your loved one's body home.

Making funeral arrangements. When you contact the funeral home right after the death, you can also schedule a time to get together and make the arrangements for services and body disposition (burial, cremation, etc.). You'll talk about when and where services will take place, what type of visitation you want (if any), whether graveside services will be private, whether military honors will be presented, and so on. The funeral home is typically available as a location for services, but the funeral director can also help make arrangements for services at a church or other location.

Managing the services. Once all the arrangements are made, the fu-



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neral home also does the work to make sure those services you planned together run smoothly. They'll secure the locations and make sure all the timing works out. They'll find you the right musicians and funeral officiant if you wish. They'll arrange the displays of photo boards and mementos of your loved one that you've chosen to include. They'll have service programs printed and distribute them to guests. They'll manage the many flower arrangements that may be delivered. They can make arrangements for catering if you wish to have that as a part of services.

You've most likely seen funeral directors at funerals you've attended in the past—they may not be front and center, but they're very busy helping people get where they need to be, answering questions, and coordinating every last detail.

Writing and submitting an obituary for publication. You may choose to write your loved one's obituaryor they may have written their own, prior to their death—but if you prefer to leave that job to someone else, the funeral home can take care of writing the obituary based on information you provide. They can also submit the obituary, regardless of who wrote it, to your local newspapers as well as to papers in other areas where the deceased lived in the past.

Setting up a memorial fund. If you're planning on requesting memorial donations to the family to cover funeral expenses, or you'd like to set up any other sort of memorial fund in your loved one's name, the funeral director can make it happen. They can also collect donations at the funeral home—in person at services as well as those mailed in by friends who couldn't be there-and distribute them as you direct.

Tying up loose ends. You'll probably need multiple copies of the death certificate in the days and weeks after the death. You'll often use them as proof of the death as you settled your loved one's affairs. The funeral director can do what needs to be done to secure the death certificate for you. The funeral director will also notify the Social Security Administration of your loved one's death.

Helping you pre-plan your own (or a loved one's) funeral. If you've gone through setting up a funeral at the last minute, you may feel strongly about making sure things are better planned for the next one. A funeral director can work with you in advance to plan your own funeral or that of a loved one. Everything from locations to body disposition to fine details can be planned in advance, and you can even pay in advance to spare loved ones from financial headaches after death. If a family member is entering a nursing home and needs to do a spend-down of assets to qualify for aid, a funeral director can also help you with pre-paying for funeral services as part of the spend-down.

Connecting you with advice and support. A funeral director can point you toward local or online grief support resources to help you cope as you move past the funeral. And if there's something else you need in the wake of your loved one's death, and you're not sure where to turn, you might try asking the funeral director. They tend to have great connections and may be able to help you in ways you didn't expect.

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What Do Different Flowers Symbolize?

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ending flowers to a funeral is a lovely, classic way to express your sympathy to the bereaved. But did you know you can send a very specific message with your choice of flowers? Certain flowers have traditional meanings, and they can communicate feelings like love or strength in addition to your condolences.

Lilies are among the most commonly chosen flowers to express sympathy. They go hand in hand with funerals, because they represent the soul restored to innocence and purity after death. If you send white lilies to a funeral, you're offering your wishes that the deceased is at peaceful rest. Other colors of lilies carry additional meanings. Yellow lilies may not be as appropriate for a funeral, symbolizing happiness and lightheartedness. But pink lilies can be a good alternative to white in some situations, evoking love, compassion, and femininity.

Carnations are also frequently included in sympathy arrangements. Pink carnations are especially appropriate, because they represent remembrance. White carnations symbolize pure love and innocence, while red carnations stand for admiration.

Roses are well known for symbolizing love, especially red roses. But they're just as appropriate in a funeral arrangement as in a Valentine's bouquet. When sent in sympathy, red roses represent respect, love, and courage. Other colors of roses are also beautiful choices in sympathy arrangements. Deep crimson roses stand for grief. A single rose indicates enduring love, while yellow roses, symbolizing friendship, are a perfect choice when remembering a dear friend.

Gladioli are both visually striking and deeply meaningful when used in a sympathy arrangement. The gladiolus represents strength of character



and moral integrity. The tall, slender flower takes its name from the Latin for "sword," and because of that fact and its symbolic meaning, it's an ideal choice when sending flowers in memory of a soldier.

Orchids bring delicate beauty to a grouping of funeral arrangements, and when sent in sympathy, they symbolize everlasting love. They generally are not placed in a bouquet but rather sent as potted plants. Only white and pink orchids are traditionally considered appropriate for funerals.

Chrysanthemums commonly represent truth in U.S. culture, but elsewhere around the world, they're a strong symbol of death and grief. Particularly in parts of Asia and Europe, mums can be almost exclusively associated with death and are common choices for funeral flowers. They're appropriate for funeral flowers in the U.S. too, keeping in mind their international symbolism.

Forget-Me-Nots say it all with their name. This delicate flower, of-

ten found in shades of blue, symbolizes everlasting remembrance. Since they're fairly small and unassuming, they work best as part of a larger sympathy bouquet.

Tulips are cheerful harbingers of spring, so when they're included in a funeral arrangement, they symbolize renewal and rebirth. Red tulips are a particularly good choice, symbolizing perfect love. You may want to take care before choosing other tulip colors for a sympathy arrangement: Purple tulips symbolize royalty, while yellow tulips evoke cheerfulness and white tulips represent forgiveness.

Daffodils stand alongside tulips as early spring bloomers, representing renewal and a fresh start. It's worth keeping in mind that traditionally, a bouquet of daffodils is considered positive, while a single daffodil is said to bring misfortune.

Hyacinth, another spring flower, takes its name from a Greek myth. Hyakinthos, a young boy admired by the gods Zephyr and Apollo, was

accidentally killed by Zephyr while Apollo was teaching him to throw the discus. As his blood spilled on the ground, a flower grew from it, and Apollo named the flower for the boy. Thanks to the myth, the hyacinth now symbolizes deep sorrow over a death.

Violets are associated with youth and innocence. As funeral flowers, this translates to a life taken too soon, so they're a meaningful choice when offering condolences on the death of a young person. Because violets are small with short stems, they might be sent as a potted plant rather than in a bouquet.

Hydrangea is another option that's more likely to be sent as a potted plant. It symbolizes heartfelt sincerity, which is a meaningful emotion to convey alongside sympathy.

Rosemary may sound like an unusual choice in a funeral arrangement, since it's an herb rather than a flower, but it has symbolized remembrance for hundreds of years. In Shakespeare's "Hamlet," Ophelia says, "There's rosemary, that's for remembrance." It can be worked into a sympathy bouquet as part of the greenery, or given as a potted plant.

Statice is a popular garden flower that remains beautiful even after it's been dried. Because of its long-lasting beauty, it has come to represent remembrance. This makes it a meaningful choice to include in a sympathy arrangement.

Peonies have a number of meanings, but two make them especially perfect for a sympathy arrangement: healing and compassion. Along with its showy beauty, this makes it a good choice for funeral flowers.

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Why Grief Should Be Witnessed An excerpt from the new book "Finding Meaning" by David Kessler

David Kessler was introduced to death young: As a 13-year-old boy, he witnessed a mass shooting in New Orleans just days before his mother succumbed to a long illness. His grief pointed him toward what would become his life's work.

In the decades that followed his mother's death, Kessler immersed himself in the fields of palliative care, bioethics, and trauma response. He worked with countless grievers to help them through their pain, and he coauthored five bestselling books sharing what he learned along the way, including the landmark On Grief and Grieving with Dr. Elisabeth Kubler-Ross, who formulated the well-known "five stages of grief."

Kessler's latest book may be destined to become his best known. Finding Meaning: The Sixth Stage of Grief goes beyond the familiar idea of "acceptance" of a death to focus on how finding meaning in a loved one's loss is what most deeply helps people heal. In exploring how this works, Kessler opens up for the first time about the loss of his own son to an overdose, and how even as a grief professional, he feared for a time his suffering might never end.

In this excerpt from Finding Meaning, Kessler considers the power of funerals to help people process the meaning of a death.

—Stephen Segal, Legacy.com

Funerals and memorials are important. Something profound happens when others see and hear and acknowledge our grief. Mourning is the outward expression of our grief. Conversely, something goes wrong when it remains unseen. That's why I believe that when someone decides not to have a funeral, they're missing out. A funeral is the time for people to gather as a family, as a community, to witness grief together. The funeral is the most well-known ritual for death, a ceremony that creates meaning out of our loved one's experience of life, and our own experience of loss.

At a memorial, people talk about what the dead person meant to them. This may be in the form of a somber eulogy or a funny story. It can be accompanied by laughter or by tears—or both. Whatever form it takes, telling the story of the loved one's life helps the mourners to accept the reality of death. It also helps us through the process of grieving. We need to hear the story from others, which helps us see things from a different perspective, and we need to tell it ourselves.

We think we can spare our children pain by not exposing them to the reality of death. But the opposite is true. Our children, just like us, are in pain when they lose someone they love, and it will not help them to have their pain glossed over. Going to a funeral will help because they, too, need to have their pain witnessed, to feel it reflected in the emotions of those around them.

Ellen was a child of six who was very attached to her great-aunt, Ruth. They were inseparable, and when Ruth contracted brain cancer, she went to a nursing home to be cared for. Ellen missed her terribly and kept asking where her aunt was. Her mother said, "She's away resting."

Ellen kept asking when she would come back home, and her mother said, "Pretty soon."

A few weeks later, her mother told her that Ruth had died. Ellen climbed into her mother's lap and cried, but after a few minutes, her mother walked away, went upstairs to her bedroom, and shut the door. On the day of the funeral, Ellen's mother and father left the house to bury Ruth. Ellen begged to go along, but they said that the funeral was for grown-ups.

In my lectures I ask whether Ellen should have been allowed to go to the funeral. Both small and large groups always answer with a resounding yes!

I follow up with, "How many of you have issues or wounds because you were allowed to go to a funeral?" Occasionally I get a hand or two. Then I ask, "How many of you have issues, wounds, or trauma because you weren't allowed

to go to the funeral?" About 15 percent of the hands in the room will go up. We think skipping the pain helps our children, but the opposite is true. Our children, just like us, need their pain witnessed, and a funeral is important to them.

When our loved ones die, it is the moment when grief is most palpable and witnessing is most needed. There is no completion of grief or closure, but that last ceremony is a bookend that acknowledges that the final chapter of life has ended. There seems to be an ever-growing inconclusiveness when the life of a loved one is not marked by an event.

We need a sense of community when we are in mourning because we were not meant to be islands of grief. The reality is that we heal as a tribe. There is no greater gift you can give someone in grief than to ask them about their loved one, and then truly listen. When we see our sorrow in the eyes of another, we know our grief has meaning.

We get a glimpse, maybe for the first time since the loss, that we will survive, and a future is possible.

David Kessler's "Finding Meaning: The Sixth Stage of Grief" is available wherever books are sold. Learn more at Grief.com.

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