

# Direct Cremation – £1965 inclusive of necessary disbursements

## Pricing structure for Direct Cremation is as follows:

- Professional fees for the completion and administration of all necessary paperwork £445.00
- A basic coffin of very simple and plain design with name plate only £275.00
- Care of the deceased within modern, comfortable Chapel of Rest viewing facilities £275.00
- \*Conveyance of the deceased from place of death within office hours\* £195.00
- Provision of Hearse or Hearsette direct to Ipswich crematorium £185.00
- Provision of necessary staff to transfer coffin on to crematorium wheel bier £120.00

**TOTAL COST OF OUR CHARGES: £1495.00**

- Ipswich Borough Council Crematorium fee for a no service cremation £470.00

**TOTAL INCLUSIVE COST: £1965.00**

**PLEASE NOTE:** Should doctors cremation certificates be required, an additional £164.00 is payable

## What is a Direct Cremation?

Direct Cremation is the provision of a cremation with no funeral ceremony. This is offered by us to answer the specific requests of families who choose the simplest and most economical means of arranging their loved-one's departure and excludes any cortege, visitation period or service.

Once the legal paperwork is complete, the deceased is collected from the place of death and brought to our chapel of rest, placed in a simple coffin and taken to Ipswich Crematorium. At the crematorium, the coffin is taken into the chapel and placed on the catafalque, from where it passes into the cremation area to be cremated. After the cremation, the ashes can be scattered at the crematorium, or you can collect them from the crematorium for safe keeping, burial or to be scattered somewhere private.

## FAQ's

### 1. Can I pay my last respects?

Yes. We are one of the very few funeral directors who will accommodate viewing within office hours.

### 2. Can I attend?

No. There will be no service of any kind or attendance allowed by the crematorium as this ensures that costs are kept to an absolute minimum.

### 3. My relative has passed away at home/in a nursing home, can you help?

Where someone has died at home or in a nursing home, we are still able to carry out the funeral but

we may need to bring the deceased into our care outside of normal office hours until doctors have completed the Cremation Certificates and you have registered the death. We do make a charge of £245.00 for this service.

### **3. Can I collect the ashes?**

Of course. These will usually be available for collection within 2 working days from the crematorium. You will need some form of identification for the ashes to be released to you.

### **4. Can you collect the ashes and return them to me?**

Yes. If you would like the ashes returned to you there are two options - they can be returned by us within 14 days of the cremation for £75. We no longer use couriers for returning cremated remains for two reasons, first we found that on occasions they were not taking enough care of the ashes and secondly they have now all added cremated remains to their list of prohibited items.

### **5. What else can I do with the ashes?**

These can be scattered or buried at a location of your choice, stored in a lovely urn, transformed into jewellery, incorporated into fireworks...simply speak to us about what you would like.

### **6. Is this a communal cremation?**

Absolutely not. In the UK each person is cremated individually and we always ask for a certificate confirming the identity of each set of remains.

### **7. Do you re-use the coffin?**

Absolutely not. UK crematoriums only accept people for cremation if they are in a suitable coffin and it cannot be opened once it has been received by the crematorium staff.

### **8. Why is this so cheap?**

Our charge reflects the amount of time involved in arranging and conducting this kind of service, and the lower cost for a "cremation only" service where the committal only takes place.

### **9. What kind of coffin do you provide?**

We include our most basic coffin - a traditionally-shaped coffin, made from MDF board and covered with a wood grain effect printed wrapper.

### **10. Can I pre-book or pre-pay for this kind of funeral?**

Yes! We are one of the very few funeral directors happy to help you pre-arrange exactly the kind of funeral that is right for you, including this minimalist service.