

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Social Security Fairmont Social Security Office

Phone: 800-405-0414

Address: 400 S State St suite 70, Fairmont, MN 56031 (Must call for Appointment)

If you are working and paying into Social Security, some of the Social Security taxes you pay are applied toward survivor benefits. The amount of these benefits will be determined by Social Security. For answers to your specific questions, contact the nearest Social Security office in Fairmont using the contact information above. Informative publications are available at your local office or they can be found at www.sss.gov.

Veterans Administration Martin County Veterans Service

Phone: 507-238-3220

Address: 2423 Albion Ave Suite 11, Fairmont, MN 56031

If you are an honorably discharged veteran, your survivors may be eligible for a wide range of benefits. Information on a wide variety of topics may be obtained by calling the Fairmont office or at www.va.gov. For specific information about your benefits, have your VA number available for the benefits counselor when you call.

Some of the benefits currently available to survivors of honorably discharged veterans include a burial flag, presidential memorial certificate, headstone or marker for the grave or niche of the veteran, and, in some cases, burial allowances. For specific questions regarding eligibility and options, contact the Martin County Veterans Service Office.

Federal Employees

Survivors of employees of the federal government may be eligible for a wide range of benefits including group life insurance, annuities and health insurance continuation. For answers to specific questions, you can contact the Office of Personnel Management at 888-767-6738 or visit their website at www.opm.gov.

Will

A document in which you specify what is to be done with your property when you die and name your executor, or personal representative. You can also use your will to name a guardian for your young children. Wills must be handled through a process known as probate if the estate exceeds \$75,000.

Probate

Simply stated, probate is the court process following a person's death that includes, proving the authenticity of the deceased person's will, appointing someone to handle the deceased person's affairs, identifying and inventorying the deceased person's property, paying debts and taxes, identifying heirs, and distributing the deceased person's property according to the will or, if there is no will, according to state law.

Living Trusts

A trust you can set up during your life. Living trusts are an excellent way to avoid the cost and hassle of probate because the property you transfer into the trust during your life passes directly to the trust beneficiaries after you die. The successor trustee - the person you appoint to handle the trust after your death - simply transfers ownership to the beneficiaries you named in the trust.

Main Office

Trimont Location
111 Apple Street East
Trimont, Minnesota 56176
507-639-5711

On-Site Crematory
111 Apple Street E
Trimont, MN 56176



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Other Locations:

Sherburn Location
212 N Prairie Street
Sherburn, Minnesota 56171
507-639-5711

Welcome Location
214 N Dugan Street
Welcome, Minnesota 56181
507-639-5711

Planning Guide for:

Trimont Location



Sherburn Location



Welcome Location



Pre-Need

Dear Family and Friends,

This guide is my gift to you - a reflection of my life and the people I hold dear. Inside, you'll find all of my vital information, treasured memories, a record of those who have meant the most to me, and my wishes for when the time comes. My hope is that this brings you comfort, eases any uncertainties, and allows you to focus on what truly matters—honoring our time together and celebrating a life well lived.

At-Need

ARRANGEMENT DATE & TIME: SUN / M / Tu / W / Th / F / Sat @ _____ AM / PM

LOCATION: TRIMONT / SHERBURN / WELCOME / OTHER: _____

Planning Ahead to Bring You Peace of Mind

“A gift of comfort, clarity, and care for those who matter most.”

Thinking ahead about your final wishes can bring peace of mind to both you and your loved ones. Our team is here to guide you through the pre-need planning process with care and understanding, helping you make thoughtful choices today so your family won't have to make them in the midst of grief. Together, we'll ensure your arrangements reflect your values, story, and the legacy you want to leave behind.

What We Do for You

Whether you are planning ahead or facing the loss of a loved one, our role is to handle the details with care and respect, so you can focus on your family. From the first conversation through every step that follows, we're here to guide, organize, and support you in the following ways:

- **Your Loved One Never Leaves Our Care:** Our state-of-the-art preparation room and on-site crematory are both located at our Trimont location. This means that when we bring your loved one into our care, we are able to care for them every step of the way, bringing your family peace of mind.
- **Planning & Coordination:** We will guide you through the entire process, and contact clergy, musicians, churches, cemeteries, florists, caterers, gravediggers, sextons, newspapers, military honors representatives, hairdressers, and anything else that may be required on your behalf. If you do not have a minister or church, we are ready and able to host all of the services for you at any of our buildings, and Ean can offer his services as a Certified Celebrant to officiate the service.
- **Personalization:** We can create tribute videos, provide personalized stationery, gather life history to assist in completing the obituary, and help select music, scripture, readings, bearers, and food/refreshments. We also take fingerprints for keepsake jewelry through our partner - Thumbies, assist with headstone selection or the engraving of final dates on your existing stone, and offer resources for merchandise and pricing on our website for you to view at your convenience.
- **Documentation & Support:** We prepare and file necessary legal documents (such as the death certificate, cremation authorization, disposition permits, etc), publish obituaries, and provide continued support and grief and estate closing resources after the service.

What We Need from You

When the time comes for funeral arrangements, we will need the following from your loved ones:

- **Clothing** - pants/skirt, top, socks, undergarments, shoes, eyeglasses, and jewelry.
- **Photographs** - for the website, memorial folders, or newspaper publications.
- **Vital Statistics** - complete information included in this booklet if you have time, or be able to answer these questions at the arrangement meeting.
- **Service Preferences** - location, clergy, music, scripture, musicians, bearers, refreshments, and stationery preferences.



Ean Sinn
Owner
Funeral Director



Crystal Sinn
Owner



Greg Wohlhuter
Preplanning
Monument Design

TELL US
ABOUT YOUR
LIKES, HOBBIES,
INTERESTS AND
PASSIONS



WHAT DO YOU WANT YOUR
LOVED ONES TO REMEMBER
ABOUT YOU?





WHAT ARE A FEW WORDS THAT
DESCRIBE YOU?

ADDITIONAL THOUGHTS OR NOTES:

SHARE YOUR SERVICE TO
COUNTRY, LIFE'S WORK,
AND/OR YOUR CAREER
HIGHLIGHTS



TELL US ABOUT YOUR
RELIGIOUS OR
SPIRITUAL CONNECTIONS





SHARE SOME OF YOUR
FAVORITE SONGS,
ARTISTS, OR HYMNS

Armed Forces

Branch of Service: Army Air Force Navy
 Marines National Guard Coast Guard

Date Entered: _____ Place of Entry: _____ Service Number (if known): _____

Type of Separation of Discharge of Service: _____ Date: _____ Place: _____

Location of Military Discharge Papers (DD214): _____

Highest Grade, Rank, or Rating Received: _____

Wars/Conflicts Served: _____

Additional Information: (Medals, Honors, Citations, Stories) _____

Obituary Announcements

Local Newspapers

- Martin County Star Jackson County Pilot Other: _____
- Fairmont Sentinel Lakefield Standard Other: _____
- Fairmont Photo Press Windom Citizen
- St. James Plaindealer Mountain Lake Observer-Advocate
- Truman Tribune Mankato Free Press

Local Radio Stations

- Fairmont KSUM (97.1 FM/1370 AM) Estherville KILR (97.3 FM/1070 AM)
- Jackson KKOJ (97.7 FM/1190 AM) Worthington KWOA (100.3 FM/730 AM)
- Blue Earth KBEW (98.1 FM /95.3 FM/1560 AM) Windom KDOM (103.1 FM / 1580 AM)

Online

- The Funeral Home's Website
- The Funeral Home's Facebook Page

Vendors

Flowers

- Sherburn Nursery & Floral Mountain Lake Floral
- Dee's Floral (Fairmont) Flower Market (Jackson)
- Creative Touch Floral & Greenhouse (St. James) HyVee (Fairmont)
- Other: _____

Catering

- Trimont Town Center Green Mill Odin Cafe
- Ole's Gathering Place Pizza Ranch Fareway
- Tami's on the Ave Hy-Vee Other: _____

Vital Statistics

Full Legal Name

First: _____ **Middle:** _____ **Last:** _____ **Maiden:** _____

Address: _____ **City:** _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____ **Sex:** M / F **Race:** _____ **Social Security Number:** _____

Birthplace Information - Born in the US: Yes No **City:** _____ **State:** _____

Education Level: 8th or Less 9-12, no diploma High School or GED Some college, no degree
 Associate Degree Bachelor's Degree Master's Degree Doctorate Unknown

Deceased's Usual Occupation: _____ **Kind of Business/Industry:** _____

Marital Status: Married Widowed Divorced
 Married but Separated Never Married Unknown

Spouse's Name (please give **maiden** name): _____ **Marriage Date:** _____

Father's Name First: _____ **Middle:** _____ **Last:** _____

Mother's Name First: _____ **Middle:** _____ **Maiden:** _____

Veteran: Yes No **Branch:** _____ **Please locate DD - 214 (Discharge Papers) and bring to arrangements.**

Death Certificates Requested: # _____ **(Banks, Insurance, Vehicles, Property, Investments, \$13 for first, \$6 additional.)**

Contact for Funeral Arrangements: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Life Story

Name Written in Obituary as (i.e., John A. "Jack" Smith): _____

Of city: _____ Formerly of: _____

How to announce: Died Passed away peacefully surrounded by family Went to his/her heavenly home

Other: _____

Baptism: _____ Confirmation: _____ Graduation (School and Class): _____

Church Membership: _____ Marriage Date & Location: _____

Community Involvement (Clubs, Organizations, Charities): _____

Hobbies, Interests, Passions: _____

Memorial Contributions to: _____

Additional Notes: _____

Family & Friends

FAMILY, FRIENDS, PETS, OTHERS (To be listed in obituary or contacted)

RELATIONSHIP	NAME (s)
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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_____	_____
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_____	_____

Preceded in death by: _____

Important Documents

Will and/or Trusts Yes No Location(s) _____
Healthcare Directives Yes No Location(s) _____
Power of Attorney Yes No Location(s) _____
Usernames/Passwords Yes No Location(s) _____
Life Insurance Policies Yes No Location(s) _____

Beneficiaries Up to Date Yes No*

***If beneficiaries are not up to date, family members may have difficulty receiving life insurance proceeds.**

Funeral Arrangement Documents Location(s) _____
Bank Accounts Yes No Bank Name _____
Safe Deposit Box Yes No Key Location: _____

Personal Wishes for a Funeral or Memorial Service (Next Page)

As you plan for a funeral, know that what you are doing will have a lasting and profoundly important impact on the lives of those you love the most. A meaningful funeral experience brings a sense of hope and a feeling of gratitude for life, love, and memories. So, what creates a meaningful funeral experience? There are several significant elements, or pieces, of a funeral. Blending these pieces together reflects your unique life and allows your loved ones to have their needs met through a meaningful funeral ceremony. Thoughtfully combining these elements creates a transformative experience for your loved ones as they remember and honor the life you lived.

VISITATION/GATHERING

Viewing/Visitation/Wake Open Casket Closed Casket Loved One's Choice
Would you like a time for family to view the body before burial/cremation? Fellowship Meal/Gathering
 Yes No Loved One's Choice I'm not sure Number of People _____
Who would you like at the funeral?
 Private Family Extended family and friends I don't want a funeral service

A MEANINGFUL AND HEALING SERVICE

Memorial Service (after burial/cremation) Funeral Service (before burial/cremation)
 Graveside Service (burial/cremation)
Location of Service: _____
Eulogy Presented By: _____
Other Speakers: _____
Readings: _____
Music: _____
Flowers: _____
Clothing: _____
Jewelry: _____
 Buried with To be removed after services
Glasses: Yes No Buried with Returned to family Donate to the Sherburn Lions Club
Flag: (if veteran) Folded Draped Presented/Given to: _____
General Service Notes: _____

FOCAL POINT FOR THE SERVICE

Closed Casket Open Casket Ceremonial Urn Framed Picture Other Loved One's Choice
Casket Preference _____
Urn Preference _____
Casket/Urn Bearers _____

FINAL RESTING PLACE

Burial Cremation Outer Burial Container Preference _____
Type of Cemetery Property: Companion Individual Mausoleum Columbarium Other
Cemetery/Niche Property Location _____
Deed Owner _____ Purchased Lot? Yes No
Lot/Niche Description Section _____ Lot No. _____ Space No. _____
Permanent Memorial Marker: Bronze Marble Granite Upright Ground Level None