



# **Price & Information Guide**

# **Our Mission Statement**

To deliver, with pride, exceptional funeral and related services to Calgary and area communities, exercising honesty, integrity and compassion in all aspects of our business.

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# **FUNERAL COSTS - AN OVERVIEW**

The following guide should assist any person who will make funeral arrangements or preplan a funeral. It clearly identifies the choices that are available and corresponding costs. Pierson's Funeral Service / Cochrane Country Funeral Home makes every attempt to keep our prices low while maintaining the best quality products and services. We are a family owned funeral home in Calgary that has succeeded by hard work and building an excellent reputation. We are proud of our no pressure policy as well as our knowledgeable, professional and outstanding staff.

As you review this section, please refer to the Funeral Contract Worksheet on the opposite side of this page. This should help you see the "big picture" of funeral costs.

There are three groups of charges that any family can expect to pay for a funeral:

#### 1. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

A portion of the cost of any funeral, regardless of how simple or elaborate, is the basic service fee. This fee goes to pay for the many fixed overhead costs associated with running the funeral home. Our overhead includes our physical costs, but more importantly our experienced staff and the time they spend with you.

The following is a summary of the most common services we offer. On the next overleaf these services are explained in detail.

- Basic Services, Arrangements, Administration & Basic Documentation
- Embalming and Sanitation
- Preparations for Viewing (Dressing, Cosmetics)
- Family Viewing/ Public Visitation/Prayers
- Use of Chapel for Funeral Service
- Facilitation of Service Elsewhere

- Reception Facilities & Host
- Graveside Services
- Funeral Stationery (Register Book, Memorial Folders, Photos, Thank You Cards)
- Funeral Sedan (Lead/Clergy Vehicle)
- Funeral Coach (Hearse)
- Funeral Limousine (Family)
- Funeral Limousine (Casket bearers)

#### 2. MERCHANDISE:

In the following pages you will see our price guides for an extensive range of funeral merchandise. We make every attempt to purchase our products from independent Canadian suppliers which helps us maintain high standards and low prices. Our policy is to ensure you have all the information you need to make any decision and not to pressure you in any way.

The following is a summary of the funeral merchandise we provide:

- Caskets
- Outer Burial Containers
- Urns
- Urn Vaults

- Keepsake Jewelry
- Flowers
- Memorials (Monuments and Headstones)
- Funeral Stationery (included in our "professional services" category)

#### 3. **DISBURSEMENTS:**

Not all of the costs of a funeral or memorial service are funeral home charges. Many of the costs are items sourced outside the funeral home. Your funeral director can help with each item we have listed.

Here are some of the common disbursement costs associated with funerals:

- Cemetery
- Newspaper Notices
- Honoraria (Gifts to ministers, organists and soloists)
- Traveling Expenses
- Catering
- Government Death Certificates

These items are often added to the funeral invoice to save the family time and inconvenience.

# FUNERAL CONTRACT WORKSHEET

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:**

Funeral Service Option:		\$
☐ Basic Services, Arrangements,	☐ Reception Facilities & Host	
Administration & Basic Documentation	☐ Graveside Services	
☐ Embalming and Sanitation	☐ Funeral Stationery (Register Book, Memoria	
☐ Preparations for Viewing	Folders, Photos, Thank You Cards)	
(Dressing, Cosmetics)	☐ Funeral Sedan (Lead/Clergy Vehicle)	
☐ Family Viewing/ Public Visitation/Prayers	☐ Funeral Coach (Hearse)	
☐ Use of Chapel for Funeral Service	☐ Funeral Limousine (Family)	
☐ Facilitation of Service Elsewhere	☐ Funeral Limousine (Casket bearers)	
Service Overtime Fee:		\$
Other:		\$
CHANDISE:		
Casket:		\$
Outer Burial Container:		
Cremation Fee:		\$
Urn and Urn Vault:		\$
Floral Arrangements:		\$
Other:		\$
Other:		\$
	Sub-Total:	\$
	Federal G.S.T. (Reg. #104198049):	\$
	Services and Merchandises	\$
URSEMENTS: (GST Included)		
Press Notices:		\$
Death Certificates:		
Cemetery:		\$
Catering:		\$
Honouraria:		\$
Other:		\$
Other:		\$
	Disbursements Total	\$
Total Service	s, Merchandise, GST & Disbursements:	\$

## 1. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

The following is a more detailed explanation of our professional services. Listed are the services we provide and a brief explanation of each. On the following overleaf, you will notice our funeral services are grouped into "packages" that represent the professional services typically chosen for most funerals. If there is no service package that represents your wishes, your funeral director will assist you in developing a service with the options you desire.

### BASIC SERVICE FEE, ARRANGEMENT TIME, ADMINISTRATION AND BASIC DOCUMENTATION

A portion of the cost of any funeral regardless of how simple or elaborate is the basic service fee. There are many fixed overhead costs associated with running the funeral home. We do all we can to keep these costs down while providing you with a clean, modern, comfortable and dignified place to arrange the funeral. There is a great deal of work that occurs in the planning and presenting of a funeral. Our office staff is very busy securing necessary documentation, registering the death with the department of vital statistics, obtaining forms from the attending physician, the chief medical examiner and acquiring paperwork such as burial permits and shipping documents. There is also accounting and billing, regulatory compliance, legal and audit fees, supplies, telephones, insurance, salaries, employee benefits and taxes that all have to be accounted for.

When you sit down to make funeral arrangements, you are meeting with a trained, licensed and well qualified Funeral Director. The director will be able to answer all your questions and assist you in planning a meaningful ceremony. He or she will also assist you in the writing of a newspaper notice (obituary), helping find the appropriate Clergy, and directing you to any financial benefits that you may qualify for (Canada Pension, Insurance, Last Post Fund, Alberta Human Resources, etc.). Once you finish arranging the funeral with the director there is substantial work to be done. The director is responsible for the coordination of many aspects of the service: the attendance of the clergyman, musicians, and other participants; the ordering of all funeral merchandise including urn, casket, vault, flowers and memorials (headstones), memorial folders; and the coordination of other related services such as the cemetery, grave setup, church, caterer, police escorts and any other details the family requests.

#### TRANSFER OF REMAINS

The transfer of your loved one from anywhere within the Calgary & Cochrane local area to our funeral home in a professional and dignified manner is included in our basic service fee. Whether the death occurs at home, in a hospital or care facility, our highly trained staff is on call 24 hours a day to assist you. We also ensure the safe, proper sheltering of the deceased, the transfer vehicle and equipment, linen, supplies and staff required to facilitate the removal process.

#### EMBALMING AND SANITATION

Embalming is not required by law except in certain circumstances. Pierson's Funeral Service requires that any body receiving a public visitation be embalmed. There are many practical reasons for this procedure. First, embalming is the sanitation and disinfection of the body. It is a safe way to ensure the safety of public health in the presence of the deceased. Secondly, embalming will preserve the body. Decomposition begins immediately upon the onset of death and accelerates as time continues. By embalming the body, it allows us the necessary time for family to gather and to make all the preparations for a meaningful service. Thirdly, embalming assists in the natural presentation of the deceased. A final memory of the deceased resting peacefully is very comforting to many people. Our licensed Embalmers are highly skilled technicians who take great pride in their service to your family.

### PREPARATIONS FOR VIEWING

The final preparation of the body for viewing includes dressing the body, placing it in the casket as well as completing any necessary cosmetics and hair dressing. Other preparations include arranging the casket, floral tributes and other memorabilia in a pleasing and attractive manner.

# FAMILY VIEWING / PUBLIC VISTIATION / PRAYERS

Nearly all cultures and religions encourage a public time to console and support the family of someone who has died. We have appealing facilities designed to host these important occasions. Our staff will do all they can to create a positive experience for your family and friends.

# USE OF FUNERAL HOME CHAPEL FOR THE FUNERAL SERVICE

Pierson's Funeral Service operates two attractive chapels. Our Forest Lawn Chapel is located at 17th Avenue and 41st Street SE and is equipped with modern sound equipment and a piano and organ. Our Cochrane Country Funeral Home location has a quaint chapel that can accommodate up to 30 people. They each have ample parking and our staff will accommodate these services to our highest standard.

### STAFF & EQUIPMENT FOR SERVICE ELSEWHERE

Many funerals and memorial services are not held in the funeral home. We are experts in the coordination of services that are held elsewhere. We serve all faiths and work closely with the necessary clergy to facilitate the appropriate religious ceremony while in their place of worship. We can also facilitate ceremonies in other venues such as parks, community halls, hotels, public buildings or places that are significant to the family. In each case we will assist in ensuring that all details of the service are cared for, including music, seating, and any other necessary equipment.

#### **RECEPTION FACILITIES & HOST**

Receptions following a funeral are important occasions. Often people have travelled from out of town or family and friends have gathered after years of separation. The reception following the service allows for an opportunity to visit while enjoying something to eat. Both of our Calgary chapels include facilities for receptions or luncheons. We provide the serving tables, linens, beverages, plates, napkins, and a host or hostess to facilitate the reception. We offer a professional catering service and also allow families to use their own organization or caterer.

#### GRAVESIDE SERVICES

Many funeral and memorial services include traveling to the final resting place for a service of interment. Your funeral director will assist you in coordinating all the details of this service.

## FUNERAL SEDAN (LEAD/CLERGY VEHICLE)

Funeral customs through the years dictate that the clergy (of any religion) lead the funeral procession. Our lead car will comfortably transport the clergy. It will also let the public know that a procession is in progress with its flashing lights.

#### **FUNERAL COACH (HEARSE)**

The funeral coach is a specialized vehicle designed to transport its precious cargo with dignity and respect.

#### **FUNERAL LIMOUSINE (FAMILY)**

Many families find driving a difficult task while mourning. Our chauffeured limousines will ensure that the family is transported to all of the necessary destinations in comfort.

### FUNERAL LIMOUSINE (CASKET BEARERS)

To assist with the transporting of those who will carry the casket, many families choose to provide limousine service for the casket bearers. This also ensures that they are together as a group when their services are required.

#### **FUNERAL STATIONERY**

Funeral Stationery includes items such as the register book, memorial folders, memorial cards, photo's, obituary cards, memorial candles, thank you cards and maps. The register book is much more than a list of the people who attended the service. There are introductory pages that include the name of the deceased and all the details of the service. There are pages to list the family, a page with a copy of the obituary, a page to document memorial tributes and a page to document floral tributes. Families can request pages for friends and family to add personal memories of the deceased. Memorial Folders are the "cards" that are handed out at the door of every funeral. We have some beautiful preprinted choices where we then custom design the inside for each funeral. We also print completely customized memorial folders with personalized watermarks, photos and designs. We also have memorial cards that are a smaller and simpler option that include personalized photos and watermarks. Obituary cards are another option to have a laminated keepsake of the obituary that may not only be for the family but guests of the service as well. Our Stationery also includes enlarged photos, both 8 x 10 and 11 x 17 to display at the service. For the service we display the photos in a Pierson's frame, and following the service, the photos are provided to the family. Memorial candles are excellent keepsakes that the family can keep in their home that memorializes their loved one following the services. Thank you cards are provided to each family. Maps are often necessary to assist funeral processions. With Calgary growing and the traffic increasing, we make every effort to ensure all who want to attend will find their way.

#### **OTHER SERVICES**

Funeral Directors offer assistance in all areas of funeral service from dis-interring and re-interring remains to having them repatriated (shipped home) anywhere in the world. It would be impossible to list everything we do. If you are curious about some aspect of funerals or have a special request, we encourage you to consult with your funeral director.

#### FUNERAL SERVICE OPTION PACKAGES

When planning a funeral service the numerous options available can be overwhelming. To help simplify matters and assist families in making decisions, Pierson's has taken the most commonly requested services and placed them into packages.

The packages on the next page offer convenience over selecting each item separately. Whether you choose to build your service from the ground up or pick one of the available packages, our staff will be on hand to help guide you through the process.

# **FUNERAL SERVICE OPTION PACKAGES**

#### TRADITIONAL FUNERAL SERVICES with CREMATION I \_\_\_\_\_ 7,070 Basic Service Fee, Arrangement Time, Family Viewing/ Public Visitation/Prayers Premium Funeral Stationery Package Funeral Sedan (Lead/Clergy Vehicle) Administration & Basic Documentation Use of Chapel for Funeral Service or Facilitation of Service Elsewhere Transfer of the Remains to Funeral Home Funeral Coach (Hearse) & Sheltering Co-ordination with Crematorium Funeral Limousine (Family) Embalming and Sanitation **Graveside Inurnment Services** Family Care Program Preparations for Viewing (Dressing, Cosmetics) TRADITIONAL FUNERAL SERVICES with BURIAL I \$ 6,950 Family Viewing/ Public Visitation/Prayers Funeral Sedan (Lead/Clergy Vehicle) Basic Service Fee, Arrangement Time, Administration & Basic Documentation Use of Chapel for Funeral Service or Funeral Coach (Hearse) Transfer of the Remains to Funeral Home Facilitation of Service Elsewhere Funeral Limousine (Family) Funeral Limousine (Casket Bearers) & Sheltering Graveside Services Embalming and Sanitation Premium Funeral Stationery Package Family Care Program Preparations for Viewing (Dressing, Cosmetics) \$ 6,325 TRADITIONAL FUNERAL SERVICES with BURIAL II Standard Funeral Stationery Package Basic Service Fee, Arrangement Time, Preparations for Viewing (Dressing, Cosmetics) Family Viewing/ Public Visitation/Prayers Funeral Sedan (Lead/Clergy Vehicle) Administration & Basic Documentation Transfer of the Remains to Funeral Home Use of Chapel for Funeral Service or Funeral Coach (Hearse) Facilitation of Service Elsewhere & Sheltering Family Care Program **Embalming and Sanitation Graveside Services** TRADITIONAL FUNERAL SERVICES with CREMATION II \$ 6,325 Preparations for Viewing (Dressing, Cosmetics) Standard Funeral Stationery Package Basic Service Fee, Arrangement Time, Family Viewing/ Public Visitation/Prayers Administration & Basic Documentation Funeral Sedan (Lead/Clergy Vehicle) Transfer of the Remains to Funeral Home Use of Chapel for Funeral Service or Funeral Coach (Hearse) Facilitation of Service Elsewhere Family Care Program & Sheltering Embalming and Sanitation Co-ordination with Crematorium \$ 5,150 TRADITIONAL GRAVESIDE SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_ Embalming and Sanitation Basic Funeral Stationery Package Basic Service Fee, Arrangement Time, Funeral Sedan (Lead/Clergy Vehicle) Administration & Basic Documentation Preparations for Viewing (Dressing, Cosmetics) Transfer of the Remains to Funeral Home Family Viewing/Public Visitation/Prayers Funeral Coach (Hearse) & Sheltering Graveside Services Family Care Program MEMORIAL SERVICE\_ \_\_\_\_\_\$ 4,880 Basic Care of the Deceased Standard Funeral Stationery Package Basic Service Fee, Arrangement Time, Administration & Basic Documentation Co-ordination with Crematorium Graveside Services Transfer of the Remains to Funeral Home Use of Chapel for Funeral Service or Funeral Sedan (Lead/Clergy Vehicle) & Sheltering Facilitation of Service Elsewhere Family Care Program \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 4,170 CELEBRATION OF LIFE Basic Funeral Stationery Package Basic Service Fee, Arrangement Time, Basic Care of the Deceased Administration & Basic Documentation Co-ordination with Crematorium Family Care Program Transfer of the Remains to Funeral Home Use of Chapel for Funeral Service or & Sheltering Facilitation of Service Elsewhere NO SERVICE \_\_\_ 1,795 Basic Service Fee, Arrangement Time, Transfer of the Remains to Funeral Home Graveside Services or Administration & Basic Documentation & Sheltering Co-ordination with Crematorium Family Care Program Basic Care of the Deceased (Coach is additional when used for burial) **CHILDREN, INFANTS & YOUTH** Ages 5 and Under \$105 for our Basic Services and Facilities Ages 6 to 17 \_\_\_\_\_ Regular Professional Fees are reduced by 35%

# **ITEMIZED PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

The following is an itemized list of services Pierson's / Cochrane Country Funeral Home offers. On the previous page we have carefully put together packages consisting of funeral services most families prefer. These packages offer convenience and savings over choosing individual components from the detailed list. We will assist you to make sure the final result is exactly to your wishes.

### **Professional Services:**

Basic Service Fee, Arrangement Time, Administration	on & E	Basic Documentation	1,925
Repatriation Basic Service Fee, Arrangement Time	& Adm	inistration	1,275
No Service Basic Service Fee, Arrangement Time,	Admini	stration & basic Documentation	9/3
A Licensed Funeral Director to Consult or Administ	er the f	following (per hour)ign Consulates, Disinterment/Reinterment, etc)	150
(After hour's arrangements, Documentation for	or Fore	ign Consulates, Disinterment/Reinterment, etc)	
Documentation for International Repatriation	600	Delayed Graveside Service (due to reception)	300
Embalming & Sanitation		Grave Set-up fee	
Embalming & Sanitation Preparation of Deceased for Viewing	370	Grave Set-up fee Tent & Chairs at Cemetery	300
Basic Care of the Deceased	-150	Reception Host and Facilities	490
Storage of deceased for more than 14 days (per day)		Coordination with Crematorium	295
Facilities for Ceremonial Bathing	$\frac{-290}{290}$	Webcast from Pierson's Facility	350
Family Viewing / Public Visitation / Prayers	- <del>4</del> 95	Webcast from Alternate Location	550
Included in package	$-\frac{150}{300}$	Webcast from Graveside	250
Included in package  Extra or Extended Visitation (per hour)	135	Webcast from Graveside Video Recording of Service	275
Facilities and Staff for Funeral Service	975	Family Care Program	300
Facilitation of Service Elsewhere	975	Video Tribute	205
Weekend Holiday Surcharge	425	Additional Conjes of DVD	
Professional Casket Bearers	800	Video Tribute Additional Copies of DVD A/V Equipment at Alternate Location	25 275
Graveside Service		TV V Equipment at Michiate Eocation	273
Funeral Stationery:	_		
Packages:			
Premium Package	775	Basic Package	450
Large size folders, personalized book, 11x17, 8x10	<u>7.</u>	Memorial cards, book, 11x17, 8x10,	
keepsake laminated bookmarks and folders, candl	é	keepsake laminated cards	
		Economy Package	240
Standard Package Standard size folders, personalized book, 11x17, 8	$\overline{8x}10$ .	Economy folders, Economy book	
keepsake laminated bookmarks and folders	,	zeonomy journe, zeonomy coon	
Itemized: (40 card/folder/bookmark minimum)			
	160	Mamarial Daals	80
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Large size Folders (each)	- 1.33 1.25	Fagnamy Folders Set up Fag	
Bulletin size Folders (each) Standard size Folders (each)	- 1.23 1.15	Economy Folders Set-up Fee	0.75
Custom Size folder suraharge	80	Economy Folders (each)	$\frac{0.73}{30}$
Custom Size folder surcharge	$-80^{80}$	Economy Book	5
Card/Bookmark Set-up FeeCards/Bookmarks (each)	-0.85	10 x 14 Photo 8 x 10 framed photo	3 25
Lamination (each)	$\frac{0.83}{2.15}$		
Dargamalizad Mamarial Da als	$-\frac{2.13}{120}$	Memorial Candle	60 95
Personalized Memorial Book	_130	Maps	93
<b>Transportation:</b> Transfer of Deceased to Funeral Home		Europel Cooch (Hoogs)	425
	255	Funeral Coach (Hearse)	425
and Sheltering		Funeral Limousine:	
Vehicle for Flower Transportation	135	Basic (Casket Bearer)	375
Delivery to Airport	135	Included in package	175
Mileage (per running km)	1.30	Full (Family)	
Funeral Sedan	215	Included in package	325
Funeral Sedan		metaded in package	323
Cremation:			
Adult	690	After Hours and Expedited Cremations	200
Youth (age 6 to 17)	445	Witness Cremation	
Children (age 5 and under)No C	— harge	Storage of Cremated Remains (per month)	25
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# 2. MERCHANDISE

**CASKETS:** Caskets include containers for burial, cremation and shipping. Caskets for burial vary in different materials, they include, Metal, Hardwood, Environmental, Veneer, and Cloth covered. Cremation containers range from simple cost effective options to full hardwood caskets. Containers for shipping can be organized from a wide variety of caskets and can also include cost effective options as well. For more information on caskets please see www.piersons.ca.

METAL STANDARD SEALING	ENVIRONMENTAL & VENEER
Lincoln Copper15,680	Burlington Select4,685
Primrose - 18 Gauge9,915	Ruby Poplar4,325
Ebony - 18 Gauge8,390	Fulton Ash4,245
Neopolitan Blue - 20 Gauge6,800	Natura - Environmental4,155
Farmstead - 18 Gauge5,700	Parwood Walnut Veneer3,900
Kingston Purple - 10 Gauge5,700	Diamond Aspen3,160
White Pearl Rose - 18 Gauge5,615	Hudson Select3,075
Going Home - 20 Gauge5,450	Pembina Oak2,650
Grace Orchid - 20 Gauge5,330	
Dalton Series - 20 Gauge3,975	CLOTH - TAPESTRY
	Rosetta Beige/Blue Felt3,315
HARDWOOD	Flat Top Caskenette - Cloth2,615
Princeton Crane15,815	Faith Ultralite - Cardboard – Cloth2,095
Morgan Cherry14,725	#2 Flat Top - Cloth1,600
Michelangelo Maple9,460	•
60 Oak9,280	OVERSIZE
Briar Hill Maple8,610	Dominion Maple - 30"/27"8,390/7,765
Newport Cedar8,485	Vista Poplar - 27"7,580
Maxima Oak	Parwood - 27"5,330
Da Vinci	Monarch - 32"/28" (metal)6,670/4,500
Elizabeth Ash7,550	#2 Flat Top - 28"/30"2,055/2,440
Dominion Maple7,200	1
Highfield Poplar6,850	CREMATION, SHIPPING \$ OTHER
Barnwood Oak6,785	Horizon Birch1,380
Sherwood Oak6,780	Oversize Belmont Birch1,200
Bailey6,620	Belmont Birch880
Homeward Poplar6,525	Oversize Plywood Cremation Box1,025
Westfield Poplar6,415	Plywood Cremation Case590
Hartvic6,395	Plywood Cremation Tray320
Families Are Forever6,340	A1 Shipping Container925
White Rose Poplar6,340	Metal Casket Liner1,165
Mckenzie6,075	Metal Casket Liner with Window1,730
Stewart Ash5,990	BioSeal530
Ivey5,915	Air Tray & Carton500
Western Ash5,875	Plywood Shipping Box1,135
Timberland5,555	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Cameo	CEREMONIAL
Clifton	Winfield1,8952,295
Atlantic Poplar4,310	Dominion
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### **OUTER BURIAL CONTAINERS:**

## Why use an outer burial container?

While some cemetery regulations require a burial container others leave the choice up to you. An outer container is intended to protect the casket and its precious contents. It does this in two ways. If the receptacle seals, it will prevent any outside elements from penetrating the casket. If the outer burial container is sturdy enough, it will also shield the casket from the enormous crushing forces that the earth, heavy machinery and tamping process exerts on the casket. It may also prevent the grave from sinking over time. The following outer burial containers should suit a variety of tastes and budgets.

# **Calgary Wilbert Vaults:**

# TRIPLE REINFORCED VAULTS The Wilbert Bronze Vault ....23,100

Wilbert's strongest and finest vault is meticulously handcrafted to unsurpassed standards. It is the only vault that is triple reinforced. Constructed of high-strength concrete it is reinforced with a high-impact ABS interior and an ABS Marbleon© exterior. The cover is completely encased in bronze with a solid cast nameplate on the carapace.

#### **CONCRETE LINERS**

## The Monarch Liner ......2,250

The Monarch concrete grave liner does not have any interior protection. It is a simple outer case consisting of reinforced concrete with a sealing convex top.

### **OTHER CHARGES**

Overtime – Saturday, Sunday: 375 Holidays: 650

Out of town mileage: \$4.00 per km.

one way

# DOUBLE REINFORCED VAULTS

All four Wilbert Triune© burial vaults feature the same high-strength concrete construction reinforced with high-impact ABS Trilon©. The vaults differ in the type of metal liner used to complete the interior of the vault and the exterior of the cover.

The Bronze Triune Vault .......8,500 Bronze's timeless beauty and depth of richness is seldom matched by any other metal. The carapace features accent bars and special emblems.

The Copper Triune Vault ...... 7,900 Copper's beauty and durability make it a fine material for vault construction. A customized name plate and emblem add to its attractiveness.

The Stainless Steel Triune Vault or The Cameo Rose Vault ............7,000 Stainless Steel is a strong, attractive and affordable finish. The Triune employs brilliant stainless steel while the Cameo Rose features a brushed, more feminine finish. Both offer your choice of special emblems and name plates.

# SINGLE REINFORCED VAULTS Venetian Vault ......4,000

The Venetian vault is constructed of high-strength concrete and lined with ABS Marbelon©. Created to suggest gothic Venetian styling it features a Marbleon design on the cover for a rich look.

The Continental Vault ........... 3,100 The Continental vault is constructed of high-strength concrete lined with Strentex©. It features a two toned finish, decorative handles, a name plate and emblem of your choice.

Also available in the following sizes:

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Oversize (34X90)	3,550
Child (20X64)	
CIIIu (20/107)	4,730

#### **WOOD LINER**

Plywood Rough Box ......1,035

# **Calgary Burial Vaults:**

### PROTECTIVE VAULTS

Triguard's reinforced concrete with arched cover and thermoformed polymer liner interior.

Bronze Reflection	8,600
Copper Reflection	8,100
Stainless Steel/Carolina	7,100
Trilogy	
Heritage	3,000
Estate	2,750

#### **CONCRETE LINERS**

Triguard's reinforced concrete with domed lid.

Premiere	2,150
Standard	,
Grave Liner	1,525

#### OTHER CHARGES

0	
Weekend/Holiday overtime	300
Out of town Mileage (one way)	

CREMATION URNS: Over many years of helping families choose appropriate urns for their loved ones, we have carefully studied what families choose and why. Here are some of the considerations that families make when selecting an urn: beauty; a focal point for a memorial celebration; suitable for burial, placing in a columbarium, scattering, or keeping at home; a small keepsake; biodegradable; personalized with names, dates and images; inexpensive; unique; feminine/masculine. For more information on urns please see www.piersons.ca. Prices start at \$25 and range as follows: Wooden urns from \$200; Stone and Metal from \$400; and Keepsake urns from \$50.

### 3. DISBURSEMENTS:

As mentioned in the overview, disbursements are funeral costs that are not associated with the funeral home. We have highlighted a few of these items for your information. As the funeral home has no control over these costs, we encourage you to discuss these items with your funeral director who has valuable information specific to your needs.

#### **Cemeteries**

Cemetery charges consist of the property costs and interment (grave opening and closing) fees. There are three cemetery operators in Calgary; The City of Calgary, The M.D. of Rocky View and the Memorial Gardens Group. In the Calgary Area, Cochrane, Airdrie and Okotoks all have cemeteries that are operated by their respective town administrations. As a rule, cemeteries operated by governmental organizations are more reasonably priced than their corporate counterparts. Whether traditional burial or cremation is chosen as the final means of disposition, local cemeteries now offer a wide variety of options for families to select. Cemetery offerings and fees vary widely and are almost always billed directly to the family. It would be wise to speak to your funeral director who is familiar with all the local cemeteries and the options available.

## Catering

For receptions in our Forest Lawn Chapel following the funeral service a caterer is available to assist you. The rates are as low as \$7.00 per person. Pierson's caterer offers buffet luncheons with fresh rolls, meat and cheese trays, sandwiches, vegetables, salads, warm appetizers, dessert trays, and condiments. Other catering options are available including food trays from our local grocery stores. Please contact your funeral director for full details and options available.

### **Government Certificates**

Government certificates are needed only in special circumstances. Nearly all agencies which need proof of death (Death Certificate) to settle an estate will use the "Funeral Director's Statement of Death," a number of which are included in your basic service fee. Your funeral director can let you know if other certificates are needed and how much they cost.

### FLOWERS: Pierson's Flower Gallery 403-248-2400

Pierson's Flower Gallery creates lovely floral tributes for all occasions and specializes in sympathy arrangements. All flowers are guaranteed to be beautiful and fresh. Casket sprays are designed to grace the casket whether the casket be open or closed. Arrangements are also available for memorial services. Wreaths, crosses, baskets, vases and other containers assist in creating a beautiful atmosphere for the service. Arrangements are available in silk as well as fresh flowers. Prices are seasonal and depend on the specific flowers chosen (Roses, carnations, tropical, etc.). Fresh flower arrangements range in cost as follows: casket sprays from \$ 195; wreaths from \$ 125; arrangements from \$ 50. Arrangement and design options can be found on their website www.flowergallery.ca.

#### Honoraria

An honorarium is a payment made to a professional who performs a service on behalf of the family but has no set fee. This fee is normally paid by the funeral home upon consultation with the family and billed along with the other funeral charges. A sample of who would receive a payment and a guideline of what would be considered an acceptable starting range would be as follows:

Clergy/Celebrant - \$350 minimum or Church - varies Organist - \$125 minimum or Soloist - \$125 minimum Bagpiper - \$175 minimum

# Transportation

If a death has occurred away from home, there will be transportation fees to repatriate the remains. There may also be fees from the local funeral home at the place of death.

Our society is so mobile that many people will travel to attend a funeral service. While these expenses are rarely shown on the funeral account, they certainly do contribute to the overall cost of a funeral. For those traveling by air for a funeral, please enquire about a "Compassionate Travel Discount" which is available through many airlines. We provide the necessary documents to assist in receiving these discounts.

#### **Newspaper Notices**

Newspaper notices (obituaries) let the public know that the death has occurred and when services will take place. They also make the death a matter of public record and can aid in tracing family histories in the years to come. The preparation of obituaries and coordination with the newspaper is included in the funeral home's basic service fee. The price of the actual obit is billed to the family at cost. The funeral home receives a discount from the local newspapers so there is an advantage to having the funeral home deal with the newspaper on your behalf.

### PRE-PLANNED FUNERALS:

A funeral should be a reflection of a person's life, a final tribute that will leave surviving friends and loved ones with memories they can treasure for years to come. What better way to make certain that your own funeral is just that than to plan it in advance for your family?

Our funeral home's professional staff counsels people just like you every day, explaining all of the options and choices that have to be made. They can help you make those tough decisions wisely and help spare your family unnecessary anxiety, inconvenience and expense.

There are monthly, semi-annual or yearly payment plans available to suit any budget. You will be pleased to note that a pre-paid funeral will lock in the cost against future inflation. A Pierson's Funeral Service Pre-planning Counselor or one of our Funeral Directors would be pleased to offer you more information on any of our preplanning products. Call our office at 403-235-3602 for more information.

### CHOICES RELATED TO PAYMENT

To lose someone you love is a devastating human experience. It can be traumatic and seriously impact one's judgement. Therefore, it is important to be realistic with respect to funeral expenditures. We do not want your choices to be more than is affordable nor less than you would like to arrange. What is important is that the arrangements be in keeping your wishes and budget. We believe in the recognition and meaningful celebration of a life that has been lived and will assist in creating an appropriate service to meet your needs.

- 1. Third Party Items Payment for clergy, church, organist, newspaper notices or other third party items is required in the form of a cheque or cash before the funeral services because each of these requires payment when their service is provided. Your third party items must be paid at the time of arrangements. Unfortunately, since these are not our charges, we do not accept credit card payments for these items.
- 2. Funeral Account We are a family owned business that strives to treat every family we serve fairly and equally. In an effort to provide the finest services and merchandise possible while minimizing our cost to do so, we are dependent upon on our clients for arranging payment at the time of arrangements.

#### Your Funeral account may be settled as follows:

- A. This is a cash transaction. Payment may be made in cash, debit, personal cheque, bank cheque, money order, VISA, MasterCard, or e-Transfer.
- B. We will accept assignment of insurance proceeds so long as the policy is assignable and verified prior to services.

In cases where the deceased's estate must stand the burden of paying the funeral expenses, we ask that the family representatives pay the funeral expenses and file a claim for reimbursement with the deceased's estate.

In all cases where total payment has not been received as agreed, a late payment penalty will be charged at the rate of 2.00% per month (26.82% per annum) on the unpaid balance.

Death benefits and government assistance are often available from many agencies such as Canada Pension, Last Post Fund and Social Services (Alberta Human Services). For families with limited income that are in need of assistance, please ask your funeral director who will assist in determining what funds are available and how to help access them.

# **Our Commitment to You**

Pierson's Funeral Service / Cochrane Country Funeral Home employs kind, principled and compassionate men and women who believe in personal service, kindness, integrity, and value. It is our core belief that the most valuable thing we own cannot be seen or touched - it is our reputation. It honours our business philosophy and reputation when you select us for your needs or recommend us to someone in need.

Every family we serve is sent a survey and asked to evaluate our services. Almost 100% of the surveys returned indicate that the family would call on us again or recommend us to others. Still we strive to be even better by making continual improvements in our staff, facilities and procedures.

The Pierson family has been serving Calgarians for 40 years. In a day of large funeral home conglomerates Pierson's is still a family owned and operated business. We've built our reputation on superior service at a fair and moderate price. A ceremony facilitated by Pierson's is a beautiful and meaningful tribute that honours the person who has died and, of equal importance, honours relationships with the living.

# WHY HAVE A FUNERAL?

Funerals initiate the grieving process.

Acknowledges the importance of a life well lived

A personalized service allows mourners to remember and honour their loved one in ways that are special and meaningful

Serves as a gathering place for family and friends to give emotional support to one another

Provided closure for the bereaved

Confirms the reality and finality of the death

Encourages mourners to face the pain of their loss and express their thoughts and feelings.

Helps survivors better cope with their grief and assists in enabling them to move on with their lives.

Provides a context for expression of religious and other beliefs

Grief Shared is grief diminished - and grief denied is grief delayed



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