

AUTHORIZATION FOR CONSENT TO CREMATE & FINAL DISPOSITION OF CREMATED REMAINS

1. Authorization for Consent to Cremate

Cremation is an irreversible and final process. I (We), the undersigned, hereby request and authorize

or agent thereof, in accordance with and subject to the rules and regulations of Iowa Administrative Code/Rules 645-100.10 (156), Cremation of Human Remains and Fetuses to cremate the remains of:

(hereinafter referred to as the "decedent")

2. Authorizing Agent(s)

I (We), the undersigned, **have positively identified the decedent** and hereby warrant and represent that I (We) am either the Designee for Final Disposition (by Declaration of Designee in accordance with 144C.6 Declaration of designee-form-requirements) or the closest living next of kin of the decedent, as defined in Chapter 144C ("The Final Disposition Act") of the Iowa Code & in accordance with Iowa Administrative Code/Rules[645-100.1(156)], and that I (We) have full legal authority and power, according to the laws of the State of Iowa, to authorize the Crematory to arrange for the cremation and disposition of the above named decedent. In the event that there is another person(s) who has superior right to that of myself, I hereby warrant that I have made reasonable efforts to contact that (those) person(s) and have **no** reason to believe that the person(s) would object to the cremation of the decedent.

3. Hold Harmless and Indemnification

As the Authorizing Agent(s), I (We), the undersigned, hereby agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Crematory, its' officers, agents and employees, the funeral establishment (and its' officers, agents and employees) contracting the Crematory for the cremation of the above named decedent, from any and all claims, demands, causes or causes of action, and suits of every kind, nature and description, in law or equity, including legal fees, cost and expenses of litigation, arising as a result of, based upon or connected with this authorization, including the failure to properly identify the decedent or human remains transmitted to the Crematory, the processing, shipping and final disposition of the decedent or the decedent's cremated remains, the failure to take possession of or make proper arrangements for final disposition of the cremated remains, any damage due to harmful or explosive implants, claims brought by any other person(s) claiming the right to control the disposition of the decedent or decedent's cremated remains, or any action performed or not performed by the Crematory, its' officers, agents and employees, the funeral establishment (and its' officers, agents and employees) contracting the Crematory for the cremation of the above named decedent, pursuant to this authorization, excepting only acts of willful negligence.

4. Information & Legal Requirements

Funeral Establishment	Lic. Number	Funeral Establishment's Address	City	State
Decedent Name		Decedent's Address		State
Age	Gender	Death Date	Death Time	Cause of Death
				City of Death
				State

List Items of Value With Decedent (e.g. Jewelry, clothes, hair pieces, dental bridgework, eyeglasses, shoes etc.)

Instructions for Items of Value

The Decedent has been Positively Identified by Authorizing Party/Designee **YES** _____ (Authorizing Party/Designee's Initials)

Medical Examiner Authorizing Decedent's Cremation _____

5. Cremation Process Acknowledgment

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I (We), the undersigned, understand that the cremation is performed by placing the decedent in a **suitable and leakproof** cremation container or on a cremation tray (**required & will be inspected by the Crematory**) and then placing the cremation container or tray into a retort at the Crematory where they are subjected to intense heat and flame. The decedent may have to be repositioned during the cremation for complete incineration. Through the use of natural gas, incineration of the container and its' contents is accomplished and all substances are consumed, except bone fragments (calcium compounds) and metal (including gold and silver and other non human materials) as the temperature is not sufficient to consume them. Due to the nature of the cremation process any **personal possessions or valuable materials** (e.g. jewelry, dental work, prosthesis etc.) that are left with the decedent and are not removed prior to the cremation will be destroyed, or if not destroyed, will be disposed of or recycled. Following a cooling period, the cremated remains, are swept or raked from the retort. The Crematory makes all reasonable attempts to remove all cremated remains from the chamber, but it is impossible to remove them all, as such, some dust and other residue from the process may be left behind in the retort and the processing equipment. In addition, while efforts are made to avoid co-mingling, inadvertent or incidental co-mingling of minute particles of cremated remains from the residue of previous cremations is possible. All possible non-human particles are separated from the cremated remains and the Crematory reserves the right to dispose of or recycle this non-human material at its' sole discretion. The cremated remains are then mechanically pulverized into a consistency that will be virtually unrecognizable as human remains. If the urn (or temporary container) the cremated remains are placed in is insufficient to hold the cremated remains, the remaining cremated remains will be placed in another temporary container.

6. Medical Devices

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I (We), the undersigned, represent here that to the best of my (our) knowledge there are no medical devices, mechanical devices, certain nuclear medicine residues, radioactive devices or implants, pacemakers, or other implants, that may be explosive or potentially hazardous to equipment or persons performing the cremation. In the event that the decedent does have such a device(s), I (We) authorize the Funeral Establishment to remove such devices as deemed necessary by the Crematory to prevent harm to equipment or person(s) and understand these items will be discarded or recycled as deemed appropriate by the Crematory and will not be returned.

7. Cremation Acknowledgment

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I (We), the undersigned, represents and warrants an agreement that the authorizing party, or parties, may instruct the Crematory to cancel the cremation provided that the request is received by the Crematory in writing and acknowledged by the Crematory prior to the beginning of the cremation process. In the event the cremation process has started, the cremation shall proceed to completion as originally authorized. I (We) hold harmless all parties involved directly and indirectly with the Crematory, Funeral Establishment, or agent thereof present and future resulting from the completion of this cremation or cancellation thereof.

8. Disposition of Cremated Remains

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Urn(s)/Container(s): _____

Keepsake(s): _____

Cremation Jewelry: _____

Cremated Remains to Be Released to (name & relationship) _____

As the Authorizing Agent(s), I (We) hereby represent and agree by my (our) initials that I (We) have read, understand and accept the statements set forth in each of the numbered sections of this document. I (We) also understand that this is a legal document and contains important provisions concerning cremation. I (We) acknowledge that by executing this Cremation Authorization that I (We) have read and understand the front and back of said authorization and acknowledge and understand the hold harmless and indemnification provision.

Print Name	Relationship	Signature	Date
Print Name	Relationship	Signature	Date
Print Name	Relationship	Signature	Date
Funeral Director Name (Witness)	License Number	Signature	Date