

GEORGIA FUNERAL SERVICE PRACTITIONERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

*99<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention & Exposition*

**RAINWATER CONFERENCE CENTER**

*1 Meeting Place*

*Valdosta, Ga*

**MAY 12, 2024 – MAY 15, 2024**

**DIVERSIFYING THE SERVICE,  
EMBRACING THE TRADITION**



**2024  
MEMBER GUIDE**





## **Georgia Funeral Service Practitioners Association, Inc.**

### **99th Annual Convention & Exposition**

### **2024 Member Guide**

On behalf of the Officers, Host District and Convention Committee, it is our honor to welcome you to the 99th Annual Convention & Exposition in Valdosta, Georgia, May 12-15, 2024.

This year's convention will offer sessions that focus on enhancing the knowledge of our members and guests. Our presenters will offer topics to guide us on problems we encounter every day in our profession, such as handling difficult embalming cases, avoiding law suits, and increasing our business.

The theme of this year's conference focuses on advancing funeral service by "Diversifying the Service, Embracing the Tradition". We are excited to share three days of engaging new ideas that will better equip you for the challenges of funeral service. We invite professionals, students, apprentices from Georgia and surrounding states to avail themselves of an opportunity to exchange ideas and enjoy networking and relaxing.

Thank you for joining us and enjoy a terrific convention experience.

Sincerely,

R. Andra Jenkins  
GFSPA President

Ashley D. Arnold  
State Convention Chair



## PRE-REGISTRATION FEE

*(Includes all educational sessions, planned meal functions and special events, except where noted)*

Members	\$175.00
Guests & Spouses	\$175.00
Apprentice	\$100.00
Students	\$100.00
Licensed Non-Member	\$175.00
One Day Visitor's Convention Pass	\$100.00
<i>Includes Lunch</i>	

## ONSITE REGISTRATION FEE

*(Includes all educational sessions, planned meal functions and special events, except where noted)*

Members	\$200.00
Guests & Spouses	\$200.00
Apprentice	\$150.00
Students	\$150.00
Licensed Non-Member	\$200.00

## GUEST(S) INFORMATION

Registered guest(s) will be entitled to attend planned meal functions, special events and non-meeting related activities (except where noted)

## PAYMENT METHOD

- Checks and credit cards are accepted for all pre-registrations
- On-site registration is payable via cash or credit card ONLY

All Pre-registration forms must be received in the GFSPA office by April 19, 2024.

## CANCELLATIONS

Registration cancellations must be submitted to the GFSPA office in writing by May 1, 2024.

## REFUNDS

- Registration refunds will be given if properly cancelled, minus a \$50.00 processing fee.
- No refunds will be given for registration cancellations received after 12:00 Noon on Wednesday, May 1, 2024.
- All refunds will be administered 30 days after the meeting.

**PLEASE FAX REGISTRATION FORM TO 706-886-7698**  
**Or scan and email to [gfspaexsec@hotmail.com](mailto:gfspaexsec@hotmail.com)**

# Georgia Funeral Service Practitioners Association, Inc.

## 99th Annual Convention & Exposition

### REGISTRATION FORM

PRIMARY REGISTRANT: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (M.I.) (Last) (Suffix)

COMPANY NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICE #: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ FAX #: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

PRIMARY EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CELL #: \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you CFSP Certified? \_\_\_\_\_ Are you CPC Certified? \_\_\_\_\_

Please select your funeral home title:

\_\_\_\_ Owner \_\_\_\_ Manager \_\_\_\_ General Employee \_\_\_\_ Funeral Director \_\_\_\_ Embalmer

GUEST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
(First) (M.I.) (Last) (Suffix)

GUEST EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Pre-Registration Fees (by April 19, 2024)

~ Member (Please pay through your district)	\$175.00
~ Student	\$100.00
~ Apprentice	\$100.00
~ Spouses/Guests of a Member	\$175.00
~ Licensed Non-Member	\$175.00
~ One-Day Visitor's Convention Pass	\$100.00

Includes all educational programs for 1 day and access to our Exhibit area, planned meal functions and non-meeting related activities. Mortician of the Year Banquet not included.

#### On-Site Registration Fees

~ Member	\$200.00
~ Student	\$150.00
~ Apprentice	\$150.00
~ Spouses/Guests of a Member	\$200.00
~ Licensed Non-Member	\$200.00
~ Mortician of the Year Banquet Ticket	\$ 80.00
~ No. of Tickets _____	

One banquet ticket is included in your full registration.  
Indicate number of additional tickets above.

#### PAYMENT METHOD

Total Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Card (type) \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Security Code \_\_\_\_\_

**Make payment payable to: GFSPA, P.O. Box 422, Toccoa, GA 30577 (404)617-9385**

**Mail or Fax Registration Form to 706-886-7698**





# GEORGIA FUNERAL SERVICE PRACTITIONERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

## 99<sup>th</sup> SOUVENIR JOURNAL ADVERTISING RATES & CONTRACTS

### DISTRICT AD CONTRACT - ONLY!

*Theme: "Diversifying the Service, Embracing the Tradition"*

99<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention – May 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Hampton Inn & Suites Conf Center – 2 Meeting Place – Valdosta, GA 31601

(229) 241-1234 – GFSPA Group Code: FDG

Room Rates: Single or Double \$119.00 plus taxes

Cut Off Date April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### DEADLINE FOR DISTRICT ADS: FRIDAY, MARCH 22<sup>ND</sup>, 2024

Full Page, Color ----- 8.5" x 11" ----- (Printable area: 8.5" x 11") -----	\$350.00
Full Page, B/W (Text Only) ----- "----- "----- "-----	\$200.00

**\*\*All Ads must be submitted in 300 Jpeg or PDF Format \*\***

#### Print

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Ad Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Make checks payable to: Georgia Funeral Service Practitioners Assn., Inc. (GFSPA)*

Mail Checks and Contracts to:

Virginia L. Hill, Editor

P.O. Box 37 – Greenville, GA 30222

(706) 672-4243/Bus ~ (706) 881-0759/Cell

Email: hillsfh@aol.com – **\*\*Place in Subject Line: Ad for 99<sup>th</sup> GFSPA Journal\*\***

- **All Ads Must Be Sent Camera Ready in 300 Jpeg/PDF Format.** (Check with your Printer or Photographer for assistance).
- **Contracts must accompany All Ads** (Email).

Office Use Only

Rec'd Date \_\_\_\_\_

Ck# \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_



# GEORGIA FUNERAL SERVICE PRACTITIONERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

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RATES & CONTRACTS

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Back Cover (Color Only) <b>**Contact ASAP</b> if Interested in Ad space for availability-----	\$600.00
Inside Front Cover (Color Only) -- “-----”----- (Printable Area: 8.5” x 11”) --	\$500.00
Back Inside Cover (Color Only) -- “-----”-----	\$500.00
Full Page, Color -----8.5 x 11”----- (Printable area: 7.5” x 10”) -----	\$350.00
Full Page, B/W – (Text Only) ----- “-----”-----	\$200.00
Half Page, Color ----- 8.5” x 5.5”----- (Printable area: 7.5” x 4.875”) -----	\$175.00
Half Page, B/W – (Text Only) ----- “-----”-----	\$100.00
Quarter Page, B/W – (Text Only) – 3.625” x 4.875” (Printable area: 3.625” x 4.875”) -----	\$ 75.00

**\*\*All Ads must be submitted in 300 Jpeg or PDF Format \*\***

**Print**

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Fax ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Ad Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 99TH ANNUAL CONVENTION AND EXPOSITION

Rainwater Conference Center

1 Meeting Place  
Valdosta Georgia 31601

**MAY 12-15, 2024**

DIVERSIFYING THE SERVICE, EMBRACING THE TRADITION.

### EVENT DESCRIPTION

Annual Convention and Educational Forum, Welcome Reception,  
Opening Session and Business Sessions, Continuing Education Classes,  
Annual Outing and Annual Awards Banquet.

### CONVENTION MEMBER REGISTRATION:

Pre-Registration \$175.00 - Onsite \$200.00  
Please register through your district if at all possible.

### LODGING INFORMATION:

\$119.00 + Tax  
Hampton Inn & Suites Valdosta/Conference Center  
2 Meeting Place, Valdosta, GA 31601  
Georgia Funeral Service Practitioners Association, Inc.  
Group Code: FDG  
April 12, 2024 Group Rate Deadline  
\*\*Breakfast Included

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

Ashley D. Arnold, Convention Chairman  
[ashley.arnold79@gmail.com](mailto:ashley.arnold79@gmail.com) - 770-317-1779  
P. O. Box 319 | Monroe, Georgia 30655

# LODGING INFORMATION

## **Hotel:**

**Hampton Inn & Suites Valdosta/Conference Center  
2 Meeting Place  
Valdosta, GA 31601  
229.241.1234**

**Group Name:  
Georgia Funeral Service Practitioners Association, Inc.  
Funeral Directors of Georgia**

**Group Code: FDG**

**Arrival Date: 12-May-2024**

**Departure Date: 15-May-2024**

**Group Rate Cut Off: 12-April-24**

## **Booking Link:**

**<https://www.hilton.com/en/book/reservation/deeplink/?ctyhocn=VLDCCHX&groupCode=CHHFDG&arrivaldate=2024-05-12&departuredate=2024-05-15&cid=OM,WW,HILTONLINK,EN,DirectLink&fromId=HILTONLINKDIRECT>**



A photograph of a city street scene. On the left, there are large green trees and a palm tree. A blue banner with an American flag and the word 'VALDOSIA' is visible. On the right, there is a multi-story brick building with a blue awning over the entrance. A sign on the building reads 'Christ the King'.

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Macon, Georgia 31201

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[www.gfspa.net](http://www.gfspa.net)