

Photo Slideshow Tribute



Somerville Bros.
Funeral Directors

A photo presentation is a special way of showcasing the life of your loved one. Our Funeral Chapel has high definition LED displays in the chapel, and so does most crematorium and cemetery chapels. It is important to ensure that the photo slideshow is prepared in an appropriate format for the chosen service venue, and we encourage you to test it prior to the service day.

SLIDESHOW PRODUCTION SERVICE

If you do not want the stress of creating the slideshow yourself, our staff can do this for you. In order for us to create the slideshow, images need to be provided to us either Hardcopy (so we can scan), Digital Copy (on USB or sent via wetransfer.com). If you have a particular order for the photographs, please number hardcopies or rename the digital copy with a number in order of appearance. If photographs are not numbered, they will be placed in a randomised order.

DIY TRIBUTE GUIDE

You will require Slideshow / Video creation software

(note: we do not recommend using Microsoft PowerPoint)

- As a rough guideline, photos should be on screen between 4-6 seconds.
- We find it best to keep it within 6 minutes, so usually this allows for no more than 60 photos (Quality over Quantity)
- The length of music chosen should be considered in relation to the amount of images. **Please embed your chosen music into the photo tribute.**
- Ensure you create the slideshow in a **16:9 widescreen ratio**
- Avoid using 'fast moving' transitions as this can become a distraction, a simple fade works best.
- Avoid having multiple photos on the screen at once. This enables each image to maximise the screen size.
- Please remember to either save or export your presentation as a **.MP4 format**, as this is the preferred file type
- **Test your slideshow** at the service venue at least the day prior to avoid disappointment if not prepared appropriately.

Providing your File

Please provide your photo slideshow with your chosen music embedded on a USB, or emailed to us via fromsmash.com in **MP4 format**. Bring a backup copy with you also.

What Won't Work

Microsoft Powerpoint **is not supported** by most chapels. If you have created your slideshow this way, please ensure you **'export'** it as a **'Video'** prior to sending to us.

Test Your Slideshow

It is recommended you test your file on the equipment at the service venue. We can then test on our system if unable to attend the venue. **Please do this at least 24 hours prior.**

How to Send Everything Through

Once you have created your photo presentation you will need send a copy to us so we can check the format is appropriate for the service locations equipment. This is done via a 'File Request' link that we will provide. Please contact us to request this link.

Alternatively, if you use online storage such as Dropbox or OneDrive, you can share a file download link with us.