

**Dignified Funeral Alternatives**  
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**PRICE LIST**

Effective date: August, 1<sup>st</sup> 2023

Unless otherwise specified, prices shown do NOT include applicable HST.

The following format and content of the price list has been stipulated by the Bereavement Authority of Ontario and is required to be posted by all bereavement licensees.

## MINIMUM SERVICES

The Minimum Services charge represents the minimum non-declinable services required to facilitate the disposition of a deceased person, whether by cremation, burial or hydrolysis (also known as "aquamation").

This minimum service charge is applicable to every family we serve and includes transferring the deceased from the place of death (or Coroner's Office, hospital, airport, etc.) to our holding room, where the deceased will be placed in a casket\* of your choosing and securely held until the necessary documentation is completed for burial, cremation or hydrolysis, as applicable. Once the required documentation is ready (i.e., death has been registered and if applicable, the coroner's certificate for cremation / hydrolysis has been obtained), the deceased is transported in a service van or SUV to the cemetery, crematorium, or

hydrolysis facility at the earliest practicable opportunity or at a scheduled time, as applicable.

Additional fees may apply for mileage beyond 50km, pacemaker/radioactive implant removal and pallbearers (burial only).

## ITEMIZED PACKAGE COSTS

Professional and staff services .....	\$475.00
Documentation.....	\$120.00
Minimum preparation of remains .....	N/A
Facilities for preparation/shelter .....	\$140.00
Initial transfer of remains .....	\$140.00
Administration vehicle.....	\$140.00
Final transfer of remains .....	\$90.00
<b>Total of itemized services .....</b>	<b>\$1105.00</b>

### What is NOT included in the above Minimum Services charge:

- any supplies, such as a casket, outer burial container, urn, etc.
- any additional services that may be selected, such as pallbearers for interment
- additional mileage fees beyond 50 km
- pacemaker / radioactive implant removal, if applicable
- applicable taxes (HST)
- disbursements to be paid to third parties on your behalf, such as the cemetery interment fee, crematorium fee, coroner's fee, death registration fee, etc. (as described on pages 4-6)

### Minimum required disbursements, as applicable:

**Cremation fee** charged by crematorium: ..... \$621.50  
(We will arrange cremation with any crematorium, but we suggest Southwest Crematorium, Flesherton.)

**Hydrolysis fee** charged by hydrolysis facility: ..... N/A

**Coroner's fee** (required for cremation/alkaline hydrolysis/out of province shipments only): ..... \$75

**Interment fee** charged by the cemetery to open and close the grave:..... Price varies by cemetery

**Death registration fee** charged by the local municipality:..... \$20.00  
(charged in all cases where the death occurs in Ontario)

\*If hydrolysis is selected: A casket is not used for hydrolysis. In some circumstances, a hydrolysable container or shroud may be required. For more information on this alternative method of disposition, please speak with one of our funeral directors, or refer to the [Bereavement Authority of Ontario's Consumer Information Guide](#).

## DESCRIPTION OF SERVICES AND FEES

Any services marked with an asterisk (\*) are the minimum services required to carry out a direct burial, cremation, or hydrolysis.

### \* Professional and staff services (for Minimum Services) ..... \$475.00

Professional consultation with licensed personnel, including but not limited to expert advice on options to meet your needs, drafting notices, and advice regarding possible government benefits. Coordination of all activities before, during and after they have been provided by us, and those provided by third-party suppliers, such as the cemetery, crematorium, and media outlets (death notices). Also included are overhead expenses such as maintenance and utilities, accounting and office administration, insurance and 24-hour access to emergency assistance.

### \* Documentation ..... \$120.00

Completion and filing of all documents necessary to carry out the services and supplies requested, including, but not limited to death registration, burial permit, coroner's certificate, cremation application or interment permission form. Third-party fees charged for these documents are not included and are itemized below on page 4-6. We also provide 12 proof of Death certificates for estate settlement purposes. Proof of Death certificates are provided to the deceased's authorized representative as a service only and are not a legal government document; however, they are usually accepted for most estate settlement purposes. Sometimes a provincial "Certified Death Certificate" will be necessary and is available for purchase from the Office of the Registrar General, or through us as a disbursement.

### \* Minimum preparation of remains (requires "Facilities for preparation/shelter")..... N/A

This service is a minimum requirement. The body is checked for personal effects (which will be returned to the authorized representative, unless otherwise instructed) and placed into the casket selected. **Identification:** It is our policy that human remains be identified whenever possible. The identification may be made by anyone who knew the deceased, including a relative, friend, neighbour, co-worker, or clergy person.

## FACILITIES

### \* Facilities for preparation/shelter ..... \$140.00

A secure and private room used to prepare and/or shelter the body until the time of burial, cremation, or alternative disposition. Identification may also take place in this room. This charge applies whenever the body is in our facility.

## TRANSPORTATION

### \* Initial transfer of remains ..... \$140.00

Vehicle, trained staff and specialized equipment used to transfer remains into our care from the place of death or Coroner's Office, hospital, airport, etc. Additional mileage fees apply beyond 50km.

### \* Administration vehicle ..... \$140.00

General duty vehicle used to register the death, pick up cremated remains from the crematorium, make off-site arrangements, etc.

### \* Final transfer of remains

Vehicle and staff to transfer the deceased to the final place of disposition

### \* Using a service van or SUV ..... \$90.00

### Additional mileage ..... \$2.00/km

Charge per kilometer (one way) for use of any vehicle over a 50 km radius

## OTHER SERVICES AND SUPPLIES

**\* Removal of pacemakers or other implants**..... N/A

This procedure is mandatory prior to cremating a body that has a pacemaker or other implant and must be carried out by a licensed funeral director. Includes disposal of device. If a person was undergoing brachytherapy (radioactive theraseeds) or radioisotope treatments before death, it is possible that the deceased may not be able to be cremated; please inquire for more information.

**Refundable Deposit for Cremated Remains**..... \$350

When human remains are to be cremated, payment of a refundable deposit may be required. If the cremated remains are not claimed within one year of the cremation, the deposit may be used to inter the cremated remains in common ground in a cemetery of the funeral home's choosing. If the cremated remains are claimed before they are interred, the deposit will be refunded.

**Scattering of cremated remains**..... N/A

We will scatter cremated remains in accordance with Ontario and municipal laws and by-laws. For more information on scattering, you may refer to the [Bereavement Authority of Ontario's Consumer Information Guide](#), or speak with one of our licensees.

## DISBURSEMENTS

Disbursements are items arranged for and possibly paid for on your behalf by the transfer service to third party providers. Any prices quoted in this section are subject to change without notice. Such items include but are not limited to:

**Cremation fee**.....\$ varies

This fee is charged by the crematorium for the cremation of the body. The fee varies by [crematorium](#).

**Coroner's fee**..... \$75

This is a provincially set fee charged by the coroner for issuing a certificate that allows cremation or alternative disposition or 'Out of Province' shipping to take place.

**Interment fee**.....\$ varies

This fee is charged by the cemetery for the opening and closing of the grave. The fee varies by cemetery and by the size and depth of the grave.

**Municipal death registration fee**..... \$ 20.00

This is a fee charged by the local municipality to register the death on behalf of the Province of Ontario. The municipality issues a burial permit, then forwards the registration documents to the Office of the Registrar General in Thunder Bay.

**Media notices**.....\$ varies

These are charges for death notices in newspapers, radio stations or other media outlets.

## CASKETS

The following caskets listed are those generally available. Additional options are available upon request. Unless otherwise noted, all caskets listed are standard adult size.

### Minimum requirements for a casket:

For burial: The least expensive wood casket is suitable and is required by most cemeteries' by-laws for interment, in the interest of the health and safety of the workers involved in the interment process. A metal casket may also be used for burial. A growing number of cemeteries in Ontario offer "green" burials, which may consist of interment of a body without a casket. Since there is no legal definition for a "green" burial, it varies from one cemetery to another. For more information, please speak with one of our licensees or visit [www.greenburialcanada.ca](http://www.greenburialcanada.ca).

For cremation: A body must be presented to the crematorium in a rigid, leak-proof casket that is made of a combustible material, such as wood or cardboard. Caskets containing non-flammable, hazardous material or chlorinated or fibre-reinforced plastic, other than incidental metal, cannot be used for cremation. We offer a selection of inexpensive caskets below that are suitable for cremation.

For hydrolysis: A casket is not used for hydrolysis (also known as "aquamation"). In some circumstances, a hydrolysable container or shroud may be required. For more information on this alternative method of disposition, please speak with one of our licensees, or refer to the [Bereavement Authority of Ontario's Consumer Information Guide](#).

The following caskets are suitable for cremation:

Manufacturer, Name & Model #	Description	Price
Corrugated container by Southwest	Corrugated lid with particle board base, no interior lining, no exterior finish	\$125.00
Model#60 cloth by Northern Casket Company	MDF adult standard shell constructed of 5/8" material, plain grey fabric covered exterior, white rayon interior, swing bar carriers, made in Canada	\$995.00

## VAULTS & GRAVE LINERS

Outer burial containers listed below are for standard adult size caskets. Oversize vaults are available to accommodate plus-size caskets. Price includes/does not include [grave set up and lowering device](#).

You do not have to purchase a vault, unless the Medical Officer of Health has made the use of vaults and grave liners mandatory in the entire cemetery. A cemetery operator may designate a specific area in the cemetery where vaults or grave liners are required; however, the operator must have another area where vaults or grave liners are not required, so that consumers have a choice. A vault or grave liner may be recommended when there are environmental conditions such as poor drainage, or for practical or aesthetic reasons.

Manufacturer, Name & Model #	Description	Price
The concrete crypt by	Plain concrete construction, non sealing.	\$1100.00

Baker Vaults #100		
		\$

### URNS, KEEPSAKE URNS & URN VAULTS

You are not required to purchase an urn, keepsake urn or an urn vault. When a body is cremated or hydrolyzed, the remaining cremated / hydrolyzed remains will be presented in a box that is suitable for interment or scattering as is. Nonetheless, we are pleased to offer the following selection of products in a range of prices and materials to suit your preferences. If the urn is to be placed in a columbarium niche at a cemetery, you must make sure the urn you select will fit. Please speak with one of our licensees for assistance.

Manufacturer, Name & Model #	Description	Price
Urn-Monarch Platinum by Commemorate (Adult) Model #A 251	11.75"Hx7.25"D 245 Cubic inches. Brass urn.	\$425.00
Urn-Federal Cherry or Oak by Commemorate Model #A 205/C0	7"Hx7.75"Wx12"L 170 Cubic inches. Cherry/Oak Wooden urn.	\$475.00
Urn-The Winchester by Elite Model #EC100	9.75"Hx11.25"Lx7.5"W 200 Cubic inches. Oak Wooden urn	\$850.00
Urn-The Collins by Elite Model #EN110	9.5"Hx10"Lx4"W 220 Cubic inches. Niche friendly urn. MDF material, available in 6 colours.	\$850.00

### PAYMENT, FINANCING & FUNDING

#### For services at time of death:

Payment is due within 15 days of signing the contract, beyond which interest will be charged at a rate of 2%, which is equivalent to 24% per annum (APR). Payment may be made by cash, cheque, debit, and most major credit cards. Payment plans are also available to meet most budgets. Financing charges apply to payment plans.

Financial assistance for burial and cremation / hydrolysis services is available through various governmental agencies, to those who qualify.

#### Pre-payment in advance of need:

For services that are being arranged pre-need, we offer two funding options when prepaying services or supplies:

**Trust:** You pay for the services and supplies at today's price and we will place your money in a trust account, where it will accrue interest until the prepaid contract is fulfilled (when the services and supplies are delivered). Pre-payment can be made by cash, cheque or credit. Funds are held in the purchaser's name.

**Insurance:** You may purchase an insurance or annuity policy through us, where the proceeds of the insurance / annuity policy will be used to pay for the services or supplies at the time they are delivered. Payment may be made by credit card or cheque for single payments. Time payment plans may be made by credit card or pre-authorized chequing. The policy is held in your name and assigned to the transfer service. Terms and conditions and cancellation policies are set by the Insurance Company.

**Guarantee:** When paid in full in accordance with the payment terms set out in the prepaid contract, the prepaid contract is guaranteed. The total payment(s) made plus interest / growth earned will be applied to the future price of the services and supplies. If the total payment(s) plus interest / growth earned are insufficient to cover the total future price of the prepaid services and supplies, we will absorb the difference as a loss. Any funds in excess of the total future price of the prepaid services and supplies will be returned or applied toward additional services, supplies and disbursements purchased at the time of need, as applicable. Conditions apply. Any changes to the prepaid contract may result in the prepaid contract being null and void and a new contract being executed with current pricing at the time changes are made.

Additional information about payment, financing and funding options is available upon request.

#### **AFFILIATED LOCATIONS**

We are proudly affiliated with the following locations:  
Steven R. Bridge Funeral Home Inc.