

Costs of Arranging a Funeral

When arranging a funeral you have the right to ask for an itemised account from your chosen funeral director. You also have the right to organise (and pay for separately) various individual items, that you may wish to take care of yourself, independently from your funeral director.

Below you will find an example of some of the key items usually involved with arranging a funeral:

ITEM	\$ AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION/NOTES
Funeral Home – Professional Services Fee <i>Ask for all items included in professional fees to be specifically listed.</i>		
Funeral Home – Disbursements <i>Payments made by a funeral director on your behalf, e.g crematorium / cemetery fees, death certificate.</i>		
Casket / Coffin		

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Grave / Plot Purchase		
Cremation / Burial Fee		
Council Cemetery Fee / Permit		
Church / Chapel / Venue Fee		
Clergy / Celebrant		
Death Certificate		

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Transportation of the Deceased <i>Mainly if interstate or overseas.</i>		
Newspaper / Press Notices		
Floral Arrangements		
Personalising a Service <i>e.g Releasing of balloons, doves, butterflies.</i>		
Service Booklets <i>Design and printing costs involved.</i>		
Memorial Guest Book		

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<p>Musician / Soloist <i>e.g Hiring of harpist, bagpiper or soloist.</i></p>		
<p>PowerPoint Presentation <i>If an external party is hired to make a formal slide presentation of the deceased's life.</i></p>		
<p>Photographer / Video Service <i>If an external party is hired to photograph or video the service</i></p>		
<p>Hire Cars</p>		
<p>Wake - Catering</p>		
<p>Wake - Venue Hire</p>		

ITEM	\$ AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION/NOTES
Memorial Site / Plaque / Headstone		
<u>TOTAL COSTS</u>		