

Funeral Goods and Services, Options and Opportunities

Service	Service Provider			
	Funeral Home	Cemetery	Crematorium	Family of Deceased
Remove deceased from place of death	•			•
Deliver deceased to cemetery or crematorium	•			•
Report the death, file death certificate	•			•
Arrange to transport the deceased out of state	•			•
Wash and dress the deceased	•			•
Transport the deceased to or from place for ceremony	•			•
Host memorial service (no body/ remains present)	•			•
Coordinate funeral service (body/ remains present)	•			•
Perform embalming	•			
Provide/create caskets, shrouds, urns	•	•	•	•
Provide vaults/ outer burial liners	•	•		
Provide in-ground graves		•		on own property
Provide crypts in a mausoleum		•		
Provide niches in a columbarium		•		
Provide/create monuments/ grave markers	•	•		•
Provide places to scatter remains		•		on own property
Open and close graves, niches, crypts		•		niche, grave closing
Conduct cremation			•	
Provide viewing of cremation			•	

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