# **People's Memorial Association Biennial Funeral Home Price Survey 2016**

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Coleman Mortuary	Aberdeen		colemanmortuary.net	360-532-4090	W	1205 + AC + U	1145 + C	2190 + C			
Fern Hill Funeral Home	Aberdeen		fernhillfuneral.com	360-532-0220	N						
Harrison Family Mortuary	Aberdeen		harrisonfamilymortuary.com	360-533-8864	E	940 <b>755</b>	1100 + C 1215	2700 + C 2915			
Evans Funeral Chapel	Anacortes		evansfuneralchapel.com	360-293-3311	Е	1840	2575	4380			
Weller Funeral Home	Arlington	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Klontz Funeral Home	Auburn		klontzfuneralhome.com	253-833-1322	Е	795 <b>755</b>	2290 <b>1215</b>	3290 + C 2915			
Price Helton Funeral Home	Auburn	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Cook Family Funeral Home	Bainbridge Island		cookfamilyfuneralhome.com	360-779-7872	Е	1445 + AC	1900 + C	4490 + C			
Layne's Funeral Home	Battle Ground		laynesfuneralhome.com	360-687-3143	N						
Cascade Memorial	Bellevue		cascadememorial.com	425-641-6100	W	540	895 + C	2740 + C			
Curnow Funeral Home	Bellevue	Curnow	curnowfuneralhome.com	425-746-8888	W	795 <b>755</b>	895 + C 1215	2395 + C 2915			
Sunset Hills Funeral Homes	Bellevue	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com	425-746-1400	V	4090	4460	8705 + C			
American Memorial	Bellevue/Everett/Renton Tacoma/Olympia		americanmemorial.org	888-546-2658	W	597	1395				

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Jerns Funeral Chapel	Bellingham		jernsfuneralchapel.net		N						
Mt Baker Cremation	Bellingham		mtbakercremationsociety.com	360-223-2795	W	490	N	N			
Sig's Funeral Service	Bellingham		sigsfuneralservices.com	360-656-5459	N						
Westford Funeral Home	Bellingham		westfordfuneralhome.com	360-434-1717	E	1990 + U	2130 + C				
Whatcom Cremation	Bellingham		whatcomcremationandfuneral.c om	360-734-7073	W	695					
Safe Harbor	Bellingham/Blaine		safeharborfunerals.com	360-305-3995	W	750 + AC	1350 + C	2950 + C			
Moles Farewell Tributes	Bellingham/Lynden		molesfarewelltributes.com	360-733-0510	E	2795	2265 + C	4920 + C			
Acacia Funeal Home	Bothell	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com	206-362-5525	V	3490	4290	7125 + C			
Chapel of the Resurrection	Bothell		chapeloftheresurrection.net	425-939-1332	Е	695	1095	2395			
Miller-Woodlawn Funeral Home	Bremerton	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Pendleton-Gilchrist Funeral Home	Bremerton		rill.com	360-876-4405	N						
Lewis Funeral Home /Stone Chapel	Bremerton/Poulsbo		lewischapel.com	360-373-3132	W	1575 + AC	1645 + C	2545 + C			
Tuell-McKee Funeral Home	Bremerton/Tacoma		tuellmckee.com	253-272-1414	W	695 + AC	1195 + C	3760 + C			
Weeks Funeral Home	Buckley/Enumclaw		weeksfuneralhomes.com	360-825-3548	Е	2005	1875 +C	4000 + C			
Hulbush Funeral Home	Burlington		hulbushfuneralhome.com	360-757-6055	E	2410	2690	3695			

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Straub's Funeral Home	Camas		straubsfuneralhome.com	360-834-4563	М	1900	2100 + C	3270 + C			
Hubbard Funeral Home	Castle Rock	Pierce Group	n/a	360-274-6511	E	1395	2095 + C	3995+ C			
Dowling Funeral Home	Cathlamet	Pierce Group	n/a	360-795-3591	Е	1395 <b>755</b>	2095 + C 1215	3995 + C <b>2915</b>			
Newell-Hoerling Funeral Home	Centralia		newellhoerlings.com	360-736-3317	W	1350	1995 + C	3650 + C			
Sticklin Funeral Home	Centralia	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Brown Mortuary Service	Chehalis	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Precht Rose Chapel	Chelan		prechtrose.com	509-682-2524	N						
Cheney Funeral Home	Cheney		cheneyfuneralhome.com	509-235-2992	W	995 + AC	1720 +C	N			
Merchant Funeral Home, Richardson Brown	Clarkston		merchantmemorialgroup.com	509-758-2556	N						
Bruning Funeral Home	Colfax		bruningfuneralhome.com	509-397-3406	W	1500 + AC + U	1695 + C	3515 + C			
Davies Cremation and Burial	Colville		daviescremationburial.com	509-684-6271	Е	995	2175 + C	2815 + C			
Danekas Funeral Chapel Home	Colville/Chewelah		danekasfuneralchapel.com	509-684-6271	E	2235	2530 + C	5495 + C			
Strate Funeral Home	Davenport/Grand Coulee	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Lauer Funeral Home	Deer Park		n/a	509-276-7000	N						

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Heritage Memorial Chapel	East Wenatchee		heritagememorialchapel.com	509-470-6702	N						
Telford's Funeral Home	East Wenatchee		telfordschapel	509-884-3561	N						
Beck's Funeral Home	Edmonds		becksfuneralhome.com	425-771-1234	W	1990	3509	5479			
Steward & Williams Tribute Center	Ellensburg	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Whiteside Funeral Home	Elma/& Aberdeen		n/a	360-82-2032	N						
Nicole's Funeral Home & Valley View Funeral Home	Ephrata		nicolesfuneralhome.com	509-754-3420	N						
A Sacred Moment	Everett		asacredmoment.com	425-316-8290	E	899 <b>755</b>	1299 <b>1215</b>	3942 +C <b>2915</b>			
Solie Funeral Home	Everett		soliefunerals.com	425-252-5159	W	1785	3705	3870 + C			
Sunrise Cremation Service	Everett		sunrisecremationofwashington. net		W	664	2499	3699			
Common Sense Cremation	Everett/Woodinville		cscremations.com	425-212-9283	W	555	N	N			
Schanzenbach Funeral Home	Fairfield		n/a	509-283-2311	N						
Cascade Memorial	Federal Way		cascadememorial.com	253-874-9000	W	540	895 + C	2740 + C			
Haven of Rest	Gig Harbor	Weeks	havenrest.com	253-851-9991	W	1890	1950 + C	4625 + C			
Coleman Mortuary	Hoquiam		meaningfunerals.net		W	1064	1145 + C				

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Flintoft Funeral Home	Issaquah	saquah flintofts.com 425-392-6444 E 975 1550									
Dahl-McVicker Funeral Home	Kelso	Pierce Group	n/a	360-425-1390	Е	1395 <b>755</b>	2095 + C 1215	3995 + C <b>2915</b>			
Green Hills Crematory	Kelso		n/a	360-636-0540	N						
Funeral & Cremation Care	Kennewick	Galaviz	funeralandcreamtioncare.com	800-764-0895	E	695	995	3185			
Hillcrest Memorial Center	Kennewick		hillcrestmemorialcenter.com	509-737-9717	E	1856	2266	3960 + C			
Life Tributes Cremation Center	Kennewick		lifetributescenter.com	509-736-3565	W	1095 + U					
El Cielo	Kent		n/a	253-638-3226	N						
Cady Cremation Services	Kent		cadycremationservices.com	253-854-9672	W	700	1135	2460			
Marlatt Funeral Home	Kent		marlattfuneralhome.com	253-852-2620	E	1625	1870	4170			
Personal Alternative	Kent		personalalternative.us	253-852-9600	W	690	1289	1895 + C			
Edline Yahn & Covington Chapel	Kent/Covington	Weeks	edline-yahn.com	253-630-2736	W	2005 <b>755</b>	1875 + C 1215	4000 + C 2915			
Funeral Alternatives of WA	Lacey		funeralalternatives.org	360-491-2222	E	895 <b>755</b>	1995 <b>1215</b>	4090 <b>2915</b>			
Woodlawn Funeral Home	Lacey		woodlawn-funeralhome.com	360-491-3000	W	777 + U	1795	3470 + C			
Mountain View Funeral Home	Lakewood		mountainviewtacoma1.reachlo cal.net	253-248-4270	Е	2570	3280	4630 + C			
Visser Funeral Home	Langley	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						

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Wards Funeral Chapel	Leavenworth		n/a	509-548-7011	N						
Penttila's Chapel by the Sea	Long Beach		penttilaschapel.com	360-642-8885	N						
Steele Funeral Chapel	Longview	Pierce Group	n/a	360-423-6090	Е	1395 <b>755</b>	2095 + C 1215	3995 + C 2915			
Gillies Funeral Home	Lynden		gilliesfuneralhome.com	360-354-4428	N						
Neptune Society	Lynnwood	SCI	n/a		Е	2091					
American Cremation	Marysville	Am Mem	americanmemorial.org	360-651-9233	Е	584	1594	2754			
American Cremation & Casket Alliance	Marysville		americancremation.com		Р	642	999				
Funeral Alternatives of Snohomish	Marysville		funeralsandcremationswa.com	360-658-1921	Е	870	1770	2870			
Purdy & Kerr w/ Dawson Funeral Home	Monroe	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Benson Family Funeral	Moses Lake		n/a	509-766-0191	Р	1100	1715 + C	4395 + C			
Kaysers Chapel	Moses Lake		kayserschapel.com	509-765-7848	W/E	1495	3290 + C	3395+C			
Pioneer Memorial Services	Moses Lake		n/a		E	1006.32	N	2780 + C			
Affordable Burial	Mount Vernon		n/a	360-424-1002	N						
Alpha Omega Funeral Home	Mount Vernon		alphaomegaburialandcrematio n.com	360-424-3531	Р						

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Hawthorne Funeral Home	Mount Vernon		n/a	360 424-1154	Е	2025	2770	4440
Kern Funeral Home	Mount Vernon		kernfuneralhome.com	360-336-2153	N			
Brookside Funeral Home	Moxee/Ellensburg		brooksidefuneralhome.com	509- 457-1232	W	1195	1820 + C	4395 + C
Sherman-Knapp Funeral Home	Newport		sherman-knapp.com	509-447-3118	N			
Burley Funeral Chapel, Inc	Oak Harbor	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required			
Wallin Funeral Home	Oak Harbor		wallinfuneralhome.com	360-675-3447	Е	1995 + U	1995 + C	3760
Whidbey Memorial Funeral Home	Oak Harbor/ Skagit- Whatcom counties		whidbeymemorial.com	360-675-5777	W	1795 + C <b>755</b>	1995 + C 1215	4155 + C 2915
Columbia Memorial Chapel	Pasco		columbiamemorialchapel.com		Е	966 + AC	1939 + C	2490 + C
Dvorak Funeral Home	Pasco		n/a	509-380-0164	E	1700	1925	3760
Hillcrest Bruce Lee Memorial Center	Pasco		hillcrestmemorialcenter.com	509-547-3321	E	1856 <b>755</b>	2266 <b>1215</b>	3960 + C 2915
Drennan & Ford	Port Angeles		drennanford.com	360-457-1210	W	1990 + AC	1740 + C	2815 + C
Kitsap Cremation & Burial	Port Orchard		n/a		N			
Kosec Funeral Home	Port Townsend		n/a	360-385-2642	Е	1513 <b>755</b>	2270 <b>1215</b>	2899 <b>2915</b>
Prosser Funeral Home	Prosser		prosserfuneralhome.com	509-786-3642	N			
Kimball Funeral Home	Pullman		kimballFuneral Home.com	509-334-3303	E	1450 + AC + C	2040 + C	3290 + C

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Hill Funeral Home	Puyallup		hill-funeral-home.com	253-845-1172	W	695	1942	2585 + C			
Powers Funeral Home	Puyallup/Sumner	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Providence Funerals	Quincy		providencefuneralsonline.com	509-787-7631	N						
Scharbachs Funeral Home	Quincy		scharbachs.com	509-787-2223	Е						
Stoller's Funeral Home	Raymond		stollersmortuary.com	360-942-2071	N						
Cedar Lawns - Redmond	Redmond	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com	425-885-2414	V	1840	4145	5865			
Greenwood Funeral Home	Renton	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Serenity Funeral Home	Renton		serenityseattle.com	206-829-2599	N						
Einans Funeral Home	Richland		einansatsunset.com	509-943-1114	W	1695	1695 + C	3785 + C			
Einan's Funeral Home	Richland		n/a	509-943-1114	Е	1720	2645	4315			
Northwood Park	Ridgefield	Pierce Group	n/a	360-574-4252	Е	945	1795 + C	4135 + C			
A Simple Cremation	Rollingbay		asimplecreamtionservice.com		Е	895 + U					
Acacia Memorial Funeral Home	Seattle	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Bleitz Funeral Home	Seattle	Dignity Memorial	bleitzfuneralhome.com	206-282-5220	Е	1840	3470	4270 + C			
Bonney-Watson/Green Lake/Wiggins	Seattle		bonneywatson.com	206-2421-787	Е	2295	2795	3515 + C			

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Butterworth Arthur A. Wright Chapel	Seattle	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Columbia Funeral Home	Seattle	Weeks	columbiafuneralhome.com	206-722-1100	W	1400 + AC	1895 +C	4770			
Dayspring & Fitch	Seattle		dayspringfitch.com	206-723-8955	Е	1995	3495 + C	4370 + C			
Emmick Family Funeral Home	Seattle		emmickfunerals.com	206-935-2207	W	695	995 + C	add			
Forest Lawn Funeral Home	Seattle	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Harvey/Hoffner, Fisher et al	Seattle		harveyfuneral.com	206-632-0100	Z						
Rosebud Funeral Home	Seattle		rosebudfunerals.com	206-525-7800	W	795 + AC	1500 + C	1895 + C			
Seattle Jewish Chapel	Seattle		http://bcmhseattle.org/	206-725-3067	Е	n/a	n/a	2800 + C			
The Co-op Funeral Home	Seattle	РМА	funerals.coop	206-529-3800	W	895 <b>755</b>	1465 <b>1215</b>	3415 <b>2915</b>			
Yarington's Funeral Home	Seattle	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Elemental Cremation/Burial	Seattle/Bellevue		elementalnw.com	425-458-6635	W	595	815 + C	1765 + C			
Simple Cremation	Seattle/Bellingham/ Tacoma/Olympia	Galaviz	simplecremation.com	800-764-0895	W	495	995	3185			
Evergreen-Washelli	Seattle/Bothell		evergreenwashelli.com	206-362-5200	E	2040	2895	4455 + C			
Barton Funeral Home	Seattle/Kirkland/Renton		bartonfuneral.com	425-823-1900	Е	695	825 + C	3253 + C			
Lemley Chapel	Sedro-Woolley		lemleychapel.com	360-255-1288	E	2360	2941	4386			

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Linde-Price Funeral Service	Sequim		lindefuneralservice.com	800-501-4506	W	799 + AC + U + R	1490 + C + R	2990 + C				
Sequim Valley Funeral Chapel	Sequim		sequimvalleychapel.com	360-683-5242	N							
Bauer Funeral Chapel	Snohomish	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required							
Fir Lane Funeral Home	Spanaway		firlane.com	253-531-6600	Е	1750 + AC + U	2540 + C	4830 + C				
Ball & Dodd Funeral Home	Spokane	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required							
Catholic Funeral & Cemetery Services	Spokane		cfcsspokane.org	509-960-2637	W	1200	2000	5865+C				
Community Cremation	Spokane		n/a		Е	995 + AC	1850 + C					
Hennessey, Spokane	Spokane		Hennesseyfuneralhomes.com	509-328-2600	E	1790	4135	4335				
Heritage Funeral Home	Spokane		heritagefuneralhome.com	509-838-8900	E	1390 <b>755</b>	2700 + C 1215	3650 + C 2915				
Neptune Society	Spokane	SCI			E	1642						
Riplinger Funeral Home	Spokane		riplingerfuneralhome.com	509-483-8558	N							
Simple Cremation	Spokane	Galaviz	simplecremation.com	800-764-0895	W	695	995	3185				
Spokane Cremation	Spokane		spokanecremation.com	509-324-9375	W	900	1500	1700 + C				
Hazen & Jaeger Funeral Home	Spokane & SV	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required							
Thornhill Valley Funeral Home	Spokane Valley	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required							

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Gilbertson Funeral Home	Stanwood	Duffy	gilbertsonFuneral Home.com	360-629-2101	E	1875 + AC + U	2075 + C	3745 + C			
Curnow Funeral Home	Sumner		curnowfuneralhome.com	253-863-2800	W	695	895 + C	2395 + C			
Smith Funeral Home	Sunnyside		funeralhomesmith.com	509-837-4962	E	1250	1250 + C	2995 + C			
Cremation Society of WA	Tacoma		cremationsocietywa.com	844-682-6800	W	699		3790 + C (pkg)			
Gaffney et al Funeral home	Tacoma		gaffneyfuneralhome.com	866-572-6003	E	1990+U	3290	5470			
House of Scott Funeral Home	Tacoma		thehouseofscott.com	253-572-9555	W	699	2545 + C	4445			
Neptune Society	Tacoma	SCI	n/a		E	2091					
New Tacoma Funeral Home	Tacoma		newtacoma.com	253-564-1311	W	990	2395 + C	4215 + C			
Piper Morley Funeral Home	Tacoma		pipermorleymellingerFuneral Home.com	253-472-3353	N						
Weeks' Dryer Mortuary	Tacoma	Weeks	dryermortuary.com	253-537-0253	E	1905 <b>755</b>	1775 + C 1215	3650 + C 2915			
Tacoma Mausoleum	Tacoma		tacomamausoleum.com	253-474-9574	W	520 + U	1090 + C	2200 + C			
Kramer Funeral Home	Tekoa		n/a	509-284-5501	N						
Fir Lawn Funeral Home	Toledo	Pierce Group	n/a	360-864-2101	E	745	2395 + C	4135 + C			
Heggies Colonial Funeral Home	Toppenish		heggiescolonialfuneralhome.co m		N						

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National Cremation Society	Tukwila		nationalcremation.com	425-277-1192	N						
Edwards Memorial	Federal Way/Lakewood Lacey/University Place		edwardsmemorial.com	253-566-1008	W/E	489	749 + C	2097 + C			
All County Funerals	Vancouver		allcountyfunerals.com	360-798-1698	Е	585	1210 + C	2525 + C			
Cascadia Cremation & Burial	Vancouver		cascadiacremation.com	360-213-2060	W	579	1385 + C	2600 + C			
Evergreen Memorial Gardens	Vancouver		evergreenmemorialgardens.co m	360-892-6060	E	1490	1920 + C	3385 + C			
Evergreen Staples Funeral Chapel	Vancouver		evergreenstaples.com	360-693-3649	E	690 <b>755</b>	1910 + C 1215	2945 + C <b>2915</b>			
Hamilton-Mylan Funeral Home	Vancouver		hamiltonmylan.com	360-694-2537	W	1030	2320	3490			
Vancouver Funeral Chapel	Vancouver	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						
Funeral & Cremation Care	Vancouver/Bellevue	Galaviz	funeralandcreamtioncare.com	800-764-0895	Е	495	995	3185			
Island Funeral Service	Vashon	Weeks	islandfuneral.com	206-463-9300	W	1400 + AC + U	1895 + C	3395 + C			
Herring-Groseclose Funeral Home	Walla Walla		herringgroseclose.com	509-525-1150	mail	1490	1800	2955			
Mountain View - Colonial Dewitt Funeral Home	Walla Walla		mountainview- colonialdewitt.com	509-525-3397	E	1870	2700 + C	8273 + C			
Merritt Funeral Home	Wapato	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required						

Funeral Homes ▼	<u>Location</u>	Corp. Owner	<u>Website</u>	Phone #	How prices were obtained	<u>Direct</u> <u>Cremation</u>	<u>Immediate</u> <u>Burial</u>	Full Funeral Service
<u>Abbreviations</u>	AC = Alternative Container U = Urn C = Casket R = Removal W = Website E = Email P = Phone V = Personal Visit M = Mail N = No Prices Available							
Merritt Funeral Home	Wapato	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required			
Howden-Kennedy	West Seattle	Weeks	howden-kennedy.com	206-932-0356		1400 + AC&U <b>755</b>	1895 +C 1215	3695 + C 2915
Gardner Funeral Home	White Salmon		gardnerFuneral Home.com	509-493-1323	W	1520	2495	3995
Cattermole Funeral Home	Winlock		cattermoleFuneral Home.com	360-785-3881	Е	950 <b>755</b>	1595 + C 1215	2875 + C 2915
Woodland Funeral Home	Woodland	Pierce Group	n/a	360-225-8441	Е	1395	2395 + C	4375
Langevin-Mussetter Funeral Home	Yakima	Dignity Memorial	dignitymemorial.com		V Required			
Rainier Memorial Center	Yakima		rainiermemorial.com	509-453-9371	N			
Shaw & Sons	Yakima		shawandsons.com	509-453-0331	N			
Valley Hills Funeral Home	Yakima, Zillah/Sunnyside		valleyhillsFuneral Home.com	360-779-4474	N			

#### 2016 Price Survey Methodology

The mission of People's Memorial is to enable all consumers to choose final arrangements that are consistent with their values and within their budget. Keep in mind that price is one of many factors to consider in selecting a funeral home. You should also consider the reputation, quality and ownership of the business, how long they have been in business as well as whether they offer facilities, products and services that are right for you. One factor that can cause actual prices to be much higher than what is quoted is whether or not a business will try to upsell you. Ask family, friends, social workers, attorneys and clergy for their recommendations of reputable funeral providers. Visit the funeral home yourself and talk to the staff, to get your own impressions. Trust your gut. As the saying goes "If something seems too good to be true, then it probably is."

In compiling data for the 2016 funeral home price survey, volunteers with the PEOPLE'S MEMORIAL Association searched for all Washington state funeral homes that handled at least 10 or more cases in 2015 as reported by the Washington State Department of Health.

The methodology consisted of:

- 1. Searching for a website for each funeral home
- 2. Noting if the funeral home did or did not have a website.
- 3. Looking for the GENERAL PRICE LIST or other pricing for 3 common types of final arrangements.
- 4. Recording the prices on a standardized worksheet.
- 5. Emailing the funeral home for pricing if the GENERAL PRICE LIST or the prices were not available.
- 6. Noting how and if prices were obtained.

Our goal was to calculate the minimum "out the door" price for these services at each funeral home.

This 2016 Survey is the most comprehensive by far. Out of 245 funeral homes handling at least 10 cases, PMA volunteers reached out to nearly 200. Some funeral homes are owned by small local groups or by Service Corporation International/Dignity Memorial while most are independently owned. This survey included 173 funeral homes.

While all funeral homes are required to comply with the Federal Trade Commission's Funeral Rule of 1984 regarding disclosure of costs, the reality is that some price lists are more complete and readable than others. If it was unclear whether costs such as refrigeration, after-hours removal or crematory fee were included in package prices, we added them into the total we used for comparison purposes. For calculating the cost of direct burial or a complete funeral service we included the price of a simple cloth-covered casket, if offered or otherwise noted that the casket cost extra. A funeral establishment may change its prices at any time and the actual price you pay for services and merchandise at any of these funeral homes may vary.

For comparison purposes, the descriptions of the services and merchandise included in each of the three plans compared in this survey are as listed below. Included in the cost calculation for each of the three plans are the following:

Basic Services: 1) Removal of the deceased 24 hours a day from either a home or health care setting and delivery to the funeral home within a service area of no more than 30 miles; 2) Arrangements conference with the survivors; 3) Filing of necessary permits and death certificate; 4) Procuring death certificates for family, securing veteran's flag and interment rights at veteran's cemetery; 5) Sheltering and refrigeration of the body for at least 3 days; 6) Non-declinable fee for funeral home overhead.

## **Direct Cremation:**

Basic services listed above, plus: 1) delivery of the body to the crematory (if not performed onsite); 2) the cost of the actual cremation; 3) basic alternative cremation container; and 4) basic plastic urn to hold the cremated remains for pickup by survivors.

#### **Direct Burial:**

Basic services listed above, plus: 1) minimum cloth covered casket or; 2) preparation of the body; 3) delivery to a local cemetery for burial at an unscheduled time. No ceremonies are included.

## **Full Funeral Service:**

Basic services listed above, plus: 1) minimum cloth covered casket; 2) embalming, dressing, cosmetology, and casketing; 3) ½ day visitation and chapel service at funeral home, Monday thru Friday during regular business hours. Also included are 4) handling of flowers; 5) delivery of casketed remains to a local cemetery, but not a procession or graveside ceremony.

The cost calculations were reviewed by staff of PEOPLE'S MEMORIAL Association and the final worksheet was emailed to each funeral home for verification. Our staff and volunteers have made a good-faith effort to assure that these numbers are accurate and comparable; however we cannot guarantee that the actual price you would pay at any of these funeral homes is exactly as listed on the price survey. The price survey is a starting point to help you make funeral arrangements that are consistent with your values and beliefs as well as within your budget.

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