



End of Life Admin

Funeral Budget Checklist

Set the budget

- Confirm whether there is prepaid funeral cover
- Confirm whether money is available from the estate
- Check if family members are contributing
- Set a maximum budget range
- Decide which elements matter most

If choosing burial

- Choose cemetery
- Ask if there is an existing family plot
- Purchase burial plot if required
- Decide on grave type
- Choose coffin or casket
- Confirm burial fees
- Ask about headstone/plaque requirements
- Ask about cemetery rules and timing

Main funeral costs to consider

- Funeral director professional fees
- Transfer fees
- Care/preparation of the deceased
- Coffin or casket
- Burial plot or cremation fee
- Venue hire
- Celebrant or clergy fee
- Flowers



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- Printed booklets
- Slideshow/AV/livestream
- Death notices
- Catering/wake costs
- Headstone or plaque
- Urn or memorial items

Ways to reduce cost if needed

- Consider a simpler coffin
- Hold a private family service
- Choose direct cremation
- Use digital notices instead of newspaper notices
- Create your own slideshow and music playlist
- Print simple service sheets at home or via a low-cost printer
- Hold the wake at home or a community space