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Expression of Wishes for:

(Please enter your full name)



This document has been designed to walk you through expressing your wishes with regards to your funeral. You can put in as much detail as you like or you can just fill in the basics. If you are uncertain about any of the aspects of planning your funeral, you can refer to our advice pages or simply call us, we are here to help.

We recommend that you file a copy of your Expression of Wishes with us, this is a free service which also enables you to update your wishes at any time. However, if you prefer you can just keep this with your other important documents so that family are aware of your requests.

If at any point, you would like to convert your Expression of Wishes into a pre-paid plan, that ensures your family are not left with funeral expenses, please speak to us and we can discuss a range of options with you.

Personal information

Title Mr Mrs Miss Ms Dr

Name

Surname

Address

Telephone number

Email address

Occupation

Date of birth

Place of birth

Next of kin address

Mother's names

Father's names

Mother's maiden name

Burial or Cremation?

Burial Cremation

Burial

Please note: Only fill this section in if you have chosen Burial above

Where would you like to be buried?

Is there an existing grave?

If so, please give as many details as you know. If you're not sure, we can probably find out for you if this is in Guernsey.

Cremation

Please note: Only fill this section in if you have chosen Cremation above

Please specify any wishes for your ashes:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ashes plot at a cemetery
<i>(available at Le Foulon and most of the Parish cemeteries)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> Casting the ashes over land |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Memorial wall or columbarium | <input type="checkbox"/> Keeping the ashes at home |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Scattering ashes at sea | <input type="checkbox"/> Interring in an existing grave |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> Returned to my family |

What type of funeral would you like?

There are many different types of funeral available nowadays as people's wishes for their last goodbyes are always evolving. Beckford's is experienced in both organising and hosting all types of funerals and will always do its best to meet the wishes of the deceased and their families. All religions, faiths, beliefs and non-religious funerals are options; here are a few examples explained:

Traditional

A traditional funeral is based on Christian beliefs with the choice of readings and hymns to accompany the ceremony and can incorporate at your request a life centred element. This type of ceremony would normally be carried out in a church or chapel.

Life-centred

A funeral usually conducted by a Civil Celebrant which can be life centred and include non-religious and religious material and not usually held in a church or chapel. Sometimes held in local parish halls or community centres, and smaller funerals can be held at some funeral homes.

Humanist

A humanist funeral ceremony celebrates a life without employing religious rituals, conducted by a Humanist Celebrant. As Humanists are atheists, they are unwilling to include religious words or hymns. They are life centred funerals with tailored personal touches. Much the same as a traditional funeral, time is taken for poems, music and reflection.

All Faiths

Beckfords welcome funeral requirements for all faiths, including Jewish, Hindu, Muslim, Bahá'í and others. Promising to deliver in a caring and respectful manner, the finer details of which can be discussed with you at this stage.

Bespoke

Perhaps there are elements of different types of funerals you would like to incorporate.

If so, please detail here:

Preferred venue

Funerals can be held at churches, chapels, Foulon Crematorium and community halls across the island, providing lots of options for the various types of funeral. At Beckford's, we offer very special and personal funerals, religious or life centred, in our tranquil Chapel of Rest. Overlooking the beautiful garden in the quiet countryside of the west coast our purpose built facility is a bright and peaceful funeral venue. Everything can be tailored to suit from music to personal displays, photographs and presentations or simply opening the doors to the gardens during warmer months. If you have a preferred venue for your funeral, please detail here:

Choice of coffin

Whether you choose to be buried or cremated, a coffin is required for every funeral. There are many options for you to have a coffin which suits your wishes, your personality and even your style.

Traditional

Beckfords have carefully selected two wooden coffins which we always have available. The veneered Oak or Mahogany coffins are beautifully lined with white satin.

Cardboard coffin

Wicker coffin

Biodegradable coffin

Personalised coffin

'Colourful' coffins as they are known, allow you to personalise your coffin with decorative printing using one of the many choices of designs or a completely unique choice tailored to your requirements. This could be with pictures of yourself and loved ones, or the emblem of a favourite sports team or a tasteful design.

Other details you may wish to consider

Would you like to be viewed at the funeral home before the service, or not, or prefer to leave the choice to the discretion of your next of kin?

Viewing

No Viewing

I'd like to leave the choice to my next of kin

Is there is a specific outfit which you may like to be buried or cremated in?

We will do our best to accommodate this for you.

Would you like to continue wearing any jewellery you may have?

Yes No (*please give details below, e.g. is this to be given to your family?*)



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Are there any keepsakes you would like to have in your coffin? This may include photographs, letters, ornaments, books.

NB, if you have chosen cremation, no flammable or metal items may be placed in your coffin.

No

Yes (*please give details below*)

Floral Tributes

Are there any specific types of flowers or colour of flowers you would like?

Do you require family flowers only?

No

Yes

Donations in lieu of flowers

If you would prefer donations to charitable/medical/civic organisations please specify here:

The Service

Would you like a death notice in the local paper to inform the community about your funeral arrangements?

Please choose all of the options you would like.

- Beckfords website** **Guernsey Press**
 Social Media **Other** (*please give details below*)

Are there any requests for the guests, such as a dress code?

- No Yes (*please give details below*)

Please choose whether you would like your coffin to be already at the venue, waiting for your loved ones, or carried in by pallbearers.

- Waiting at venue**
 Carried in by pallbearers
 I'd like to leave the choice to my next of kin

Is there any music you would like at the service?

Often, chosen music can usually be played before, during and after the service.

- No Yes (*please give details below*)

Are there any readings, poems or theme of reading you would like?

- No Yes (*please give details below*)



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Is there anything you would like displayed at the service such as display boards, presentations or particular photographs.

No

Yes *(please give details below)*

The Order of Service is personalised for each funeral, detailing the various elements of the service. If there are any additional features or design you would like for the Order of Service sheet, please detail here:

Memorial

Is there an existing memorial?

No

Yes *(please give details below)*

If no, Is there any specific memorial you would like?

We can provide you with a brochure if you wish to view options.

No

Yes *(please give details below)*

Please provide any wording you would like inscribed on your memorial:

Additional notes

Please use this section to provide any additional information.



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