

Kapiti Coast Funeral Home

Funeral Costs Guide Book

A plain English guide to funeral pricing
We believe there should be no hidden costs.

Kapiti Coast
Funeral Home

www.kapitifunerals.nz

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Kāpiti Coast Funeral Home

there in times of need



The Kapiti Coast Funeral Home can and does provide a large range of funerals, from the most economical and simple, right through to the most elaborate celebration of a person's life. This book endeavours to provide examples of a range of possibilities and costs, but all funerals, including the examples provided can be fully customised to personal requirements. We have provided an example of a full service, but the more simple the service chosen will naturally mean not all items would be included.

Full Professional Service Fee Includes

Professional Fee

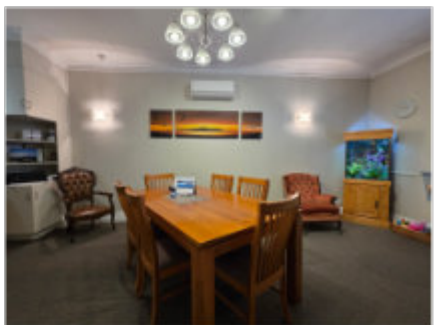
Providing all administration facilities and staff, **including 24 hour availability of staff** to receive initial call. Receiving initial phone call for assistance, and arranging for deceased to be uplifted from place of death, including liaison with care staff and medical practitioner. Initial discussion with representative to arrange time for interview to take instructions. Attendance for interview at location of client family choice, and discussions with family offering choices and options available.

Basic dignity attendance to deceased.

Providing documentation and equipment to facilitate these discussions, including completion of burial or cremation documentation and lodgement and processing of same. Either attendance at medical referee or completion and lodgement of burial warrant. Data entry of all records, including Registration of Death and lodgement of the same.

Concluding administrative activities including invoicing, paying other charges incurred on client's behalf, and forwarding any mail.

The Professional Fee also covers arranging, coordinating and facilitating the various items listed as other charges, including drafting, checking and lodging newspaper notice/s and arranging and setting up venue for gathering. Also includes the attendance for and direction of the funeral service or gathering.



Vehicle Use



Transfer This includes transfer of the deceased from a location within the Wellington, Kapiti Coast District, or further afield. The vehicle use includes two staff in attendance for the transfer, along with the vehicle that is especially equipped with stretchers, pillows, sheets and covers used for the care and dignity of transferring the deceased. It also contains personal protective equipment required to be used at times by the staff.



Hearse Hire This also includes the hearse time booked for the day. The transportation of the casket to the service venue and later to the cemetery or crematorium, this is based on time of total hire rather than mileage or distance travelled, as the hearse can be tied up for 2 to 3 hours to half a day or more yet only travel a short distance.



Casket

There is no set casket* for a service, any casket from the range can be chosen, but this will affect the total cost. This type of casket is pine and comes with either a Rimu or Mahogany stain with a highly polished finish. This particular casket can be used for carrying (not all can be) and for viewing. It is lined with an ivory coloured satin side-set, mattress and cushion. There are many other types and styles of caskets available, some of these are shown on page 14 of this book or can be viewed on our website; www.kapiticoastfuneralhome.co.nz/caskets/

*Cardboard caskets can not be used at attended services.



Cremation Costs At Kapiti Crematorium

- The actual cost of the cremation
- Crematorium Chapel hire
- A Kapiti Crematorium Biodegradable Urn
- Medical Referee fees

Other Charges

Some of the other changes that can be included:

1. Newspaper Notices Dominion Post plus one other National paper
2. Hire of either Church or Chapel, and Lounge facilities
3. Body preparation and presentation of deceased
4. Celebrant / Minister fee or gratuity
5. Organist fee or gratuity
6. Floral Tributes for Casket
7. Service Sheets printed in full colour
8. Preparation of photo slide show
9. Catering (food supplied and served)
10. Memorial Register
11. New Zealand Death Certificate

Kapiti Crematorium
Kapiti Coast Funeral Home



Awa Tapu Cemetery
131 Valley Road, Paraparaumu
Kapiti Coast
www.kapiticromatorium.co.nz

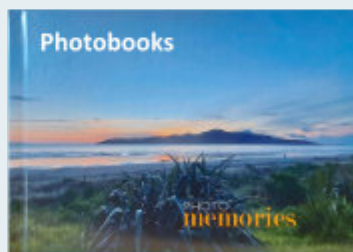
Service Sheets - full colour on quality

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Events and Functions Menu

Simply Delicious

Photobooks



Helpful Financial Information

FUNERAL PREPAYMENTS

You may wish to consider pre-paying your funeral. As with pre- organising the funeral, this arrangement can help relieve loved ones of emotional and financial concerns. The Kapiti Coast Funeral Home has brochures available on pre-payment schemes.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Accident Compensation Corporation:

There is a grant available from ACC for a death by accident.

Claims are assessed by ACC and forms are available through the Funeral Home or local ACC office. The maximum ACC funeral grant is currently \$8,236.40

www.acc.co.nz/im-injured/financial-support/financial-support-after-death

Income Support Service:

The **WINZ** funeral grant may be available to the partner, child, parent or guardian or funeral director of someone who has died, to help towards the cost of the funeral.

The grant is up to a maximum of \$2,697.43 but this is asset tested depending on the deceased's bank balance.

The basic principle applied by WINZ is that you should be using the deceased person's finances to pay for a funeral service. The WINZ funeral grant is only seen as a "top up" towards a funeral account.

www.workandincome.govt.nz/products/a-z-benefits/funeral-grant.html

Examples of Gatherings with Cremation

1. NO FUNERAL, Quiet Goodbye Cremation

FROM \$6,159 (incl GST)

See details page 8

Paid before \$5,699

2. Informal Farewell "No Service but opportunity to say goodbye"

FROM \$7,685 (incl GST)

See details page 9

Paid before \$7,225

3. Memorial Service

After a CREMATION *Based on 60 people*

AVG \$11,196.50 (incl GST)

See details page 10

4. Standard Farewell

Based on 100 people

AVG \$13,717.50 (incl GST)

See details page 11

5. Full Service & Committal

Based on 150 people (for Burial see extra cost below)

AVG \$16,767 (incl GST)

See details page 12

To work out costs for a Burial

For Burial in Kapiti you add the KCDC Cemetery Charge of \$3,505

How to work it out

1. First take out the \$1250 cost of cremation used in our pricing
2. Then add back in Kapiti Councils charges \$3,711 to get cost for a Burial

As at 1 July 2026

**This is subject to variations in KCDC Fees - Council fees change annually*

Note

This guide has estimated prices ranges funerals, so what you pick will affect the end cost. We have Budget Packages on our website: www.kapiticoastfuneralhome.co.nz/funeral-packages/

NO Funeral - Quiet Goodbye Cremation

The NO-Funeral - Quiet Goodbye is designed for those who prefer the simplicity of a cremation without the formality of a traditional funeral. It offers a gentle, intimate space for your inner circle to say farewell on your own terms.

You can choose to say your final goodbyes privately at the place of death before we take over, or arrange a quiet, set time to gather in the funeral home lounge for up to an hour to say your final goodbyes there. Afterwards, our staff will respectfully handle the cremation as there is no attendance at the crematorium with the cremation taking place at an undisclosed time that day. If you want to attend the crematorium, please see our 'Informal Farewell' package.

OUR CHARGES

1. **Professional Service Fee** - includes facilitating and all legal and practical details needed to provide an Informal Farewell.
2. **Casket example** - Plain Pine Plywood casket, no carrying handles (*upgrade Casket at additional cost*)
3. **Dignity Prep** - Features/washing & dressing, for possible viewing, within 48 hours
4. **Vehicle usage**
 - a. From place of death locally (weekends extra)
 - b. Hearse hire (single use)

OTHER CHARGES INCLUDED

1. Medical Cremation Certificate
2. Cremation at Kapiti Crematorium
3. Notice - Online Obituary, *funeral home website*
4. New Zealand Death Certificate

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Items such as Newspaper Notices, or any other item will be additional cost and a professional service fee component will apply *see note

*** Note:** When we arrange additional items there will be a professional fee component added. The Professional fee is not a fixed amount but varies depending on the additional services provided for organising any these items. Please feel free to ask for a quote if additional items are required. A **Late Payment Fee** of \$460 applies if not paid by 21 days of the invoice date .

Standard Price

\$6,159 (incl GST)

Reduced total if paid before Funeral*

\$5,699 (incl GST)

Prepay in full electronically save \$460 /Details on www.kapitifunerals/funeral-packages

Informal Farewell (At Crematorium)

The Informal Farewell offers a gentle, unhurried space at Kapiti Crematorium Chapel without the structure of a formal funeral. It focuses on a simple cremation, allowing those closest to gather privately, for up to an hour, and say goodbye on their own terms. Without a formal leader, you are free to shape the time as you need—whether that means playing favourite music, reading a poem, speaking from the heart, or writing personal messages directly on the casket. Should you wish for a few comforting words to close the gathering, our Funeral Director can direct you to words for family to share at the conclusion of the gathering.

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4. **Vehicle usage**
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 - b. Hearse hire (*single use*)

OTHER CHARGES INCLUDED

- Medical Cremation Certificate
- Cremation at Kapiti Crematorium
- Notice - Online Obituary, *funeral home website*
- Chapel Hire - Kapiti Crematorium Chapel
- New Zealand Death Certificate

ADDITIONAL COSTS

Newspaper Notices, or any other item changed will also add to the professional service fee *see note

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Standard Price

\$7,685 (incl GST)

*Reduced if Paid Before Funeral**

\$7,225 (incl GST)

Memorial Service (After a Cremation)

(Based on 60 people)

This is a farewell gathering **after a cremation has taken place**, either as a Direct Cremation or an Attended Cremation. The other charges listed below are just examples and the choices you make will affect the final cost.

OUR CHARGES

Professional Service Fee (for arranging function)

SUGGESTED RANGE

- \$2560 - \$2850

TYPICAL OTHER CHARGES INCLUDE

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| 1. Newspaper Notices | - varies on placement |
| 2. Flowers - Casket spray & Committal petals | - \$150 - \$350 |
| 3. Celebrant / Minister Gratuity | - \$200 - \$650 |
| 4. venue hire including AV | - venue dependent |
| 5. Catering lounge & kitchen, venue dependent | -\$330 - \$550 |
| 6. Service sheets -X 60 @ \$3.50 - \$4.00 | - \$180 - \$240 |
| 7. Catering beverages & serving x 60 at \$15.75/head | - \$945 |
| 8. Memorial Register - standard version | - \$90 - \$150 |
| 9. Photo Tribute | - \$300 |

Ranges Average Cost

\$5,497.50 *(incl GST)*

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ADD PREVIOUS CHARGE FOR

Plus cost of - Quiet Goodbye or (Informal Farewell)

+ \$5,699 Prepaid

Average Cost

\$11,196.50 *(incl GST)*

Standard Farewell—FULL SERVICE *(Based on 100 People)*

This is a burial or cremation where the service is advertised and the public gather to mark the passing of the person who has died. The funeral can take place at a time convenient to the family and held in a venue such as a Church or our Funeral Home Chapel. The service is usually led by a celebrant or Minister, and includes use of our funeral home chapel and catering lounge. Professional services include booking of venue; funeral documentation; attendance at viewing; attendance and direction of the gathering; embalming of the deceased, transfers, hearse hire, newspaper notices, floral tributes, service sheets, a photo slide show, death certificate fee and facilities and catering for 80 people.

OUR CHARGES

RANGE

Low High

1. Professional Service Fee	\$4000 - \$4800
2. Casket - Settler to Standard Flat Lid (pg 14 -15)	\$1295 - \$1895
3. Dignity Prep (Light or Standard) Deceased Prep	\$280 - \$1075
4. Vehicle usage	
a. Place of death - local or greater Wellington	\$360 - \$545
b. Hearse hire (single use)	\$480 - \$540

OTHER CHARGES INCLUDED

1. Medical Cremation Certificate - Doctor Dependent	\$0 - \$300
2. Cremation at Kapiti Crematorium	\$1250- \$1250
3. Newspaper Notices x 1 Notice- varies on length	\$200 - \$350
4. Flowers - Casket Spray and Committal Petals	\$165 - \$365
5. Streaming, Recording and Editing - venue dependent	\$395 - \$1495
6. Photo Tribute	\$300 - \$450
7. Celebrant Gratuity - Church Minister \$0-300 or Celebrant	\$0 - \$650
8. Chapel / Church hire including AV - venue dependent	\$0 - \$550
9. Catering Lounge and Kitchen - venue dependent	\$0 - \$330
10. Service sheets - varying styles \$3 -\$4 / each x 100	\$300 - \$400
11. Catering - Beverages & Serving per head x80-\$15.75 - \$22.50	\$1260 - \$1820
12. Memorial Register	\$95 - \$150
13. Death Registration Certificate	\$45 - \$45

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Range

(incl GST) **\$10,425 - \$17,000**

Average Cost

(incl GST) **\$13,717.50**

Full Service with Committal *(Based on 150 People)*

This is a cremation (Burial pg 7) where the service is advertised and the public gather to mark the passing of the person who has died. The funeral can take place at time convenient to the family and held in a venue such as a Church or our Funeral Home Chapel. The service is usually led by a celebrant or Minister, and includes use of our funeral home chapel and catering lounge. Professional services include booking of venue; funeral documentation; attendance at viewing; attendance and direction of the gathering; embalming of the deceased, transfers, hearse hire, newspaper notices, floral tributes, service sheets, a photo slide show, death certificate fee and facilities and catering for 80 people.

OUR CHARGES

RANGE

Low High

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|---|-----------------|
| 1. Professional Service Fee | \$4800 - \$5440 |
| 2. Casket: Flat Lid Standard to Crafted | \$1995 - \$2950 |
| 3. Dignity Prep (Light or Standard) Deceased Prep | \$580 - \$1075 |
| 4. Vehicle usage | |
| a. Place of death (local or greater Wellington) | \$360 - \$545 |
| b. Hearse hire (double use) | \$480 - \$540 |

OTHER CHARGES INCLUDED (Range of costs)

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| 1. Medical Cremation Certificate - Doctor dependent | \$0 - \$300 |
| 2. Cremation at Kapiti Crematorium | \$1250-\$1250 |
| 3. Newspaper Notices x2 - varies on length | \$300 - \$600 |
| 4. Flowers - Casket spray and Committal petals | \$165 - \$365 |
| 5. Streaming, Recording and Editing - venue dependent | \$395 - \$1495 |
| 6. Photo Tribute | \$300 - \$300 |
| 7. Celebrant Gratuity - Church Minister \$0-300 or Celebrant | Varies - \$650 |
| 8. Chapel / Church hire including AV - venue dependent | \$0 - \$550 |
| 9. Catering Lounge and Kitchen - venue dependent | \$0 - \$330 |
| 10. Service sheets - varying styles \$3 - \$4 / each x 100 | \$450 - \$600 |
| 11. Catering - Beverages & Serving per head x125 - \$15.75 - \$22.50 | \$1969 - \$2580 |
| 12. Death Registration Certificate | \$45 - \$45 |
| 13. Memorial Register | \$90 - \$150 |
| 14. Chapel charge for Committal Service | \$295 - \$295 |

* Burial Plot and Internment fee (KCDC) is extra see PG 7

Note: Please feel free to ask for a quote if additional items are required. A

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Range

(incl GST) **\$13,474 - \$20,060**

Average Cost

(incl GST) **\$16,767**



Pine Plywood Casket (no handles) \$799.00



Settler (rustic pine, plastic handles) \$1,295.00



Settler (rustic pine, with rope handles) \$1,695.00



Settler Black Stripe Pine \$1,395.00



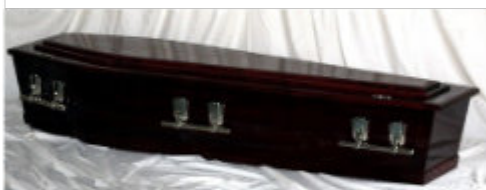
Flat lid pine casket with Rimu or Mahogany stain

\$1,995.00



Raised lid pine casket with Rimu or Mahogany stain
(Routed paneling and highly polished)

\$2,950.00



Tararua Crafted Pine

\$2,550.00



Flat Lid Macrocarpa - Windsor

\$3,650.00

For our full product catalogue please look on our website
<https://kapiticoastfuneralhome.co.nz/caskets/>





Coloured flat lid pine casket \$2,650.00
(colour of your choice from Resene)



Coloured flat lid pine casket \$2,650.00
(colour of your choice from Resene)



Celebration - Departure Lounge \$2550.00



Harakiki - Departure Lounge \$2550.00



Willow Casket - Tributes \$2,995.00



Beachcomber Casket \$2,450.00

ASH URNS and Keepsakes Examples, depends on stock and availability, we can order
<https://kapiticoastfuneralhome.co.nz/urns-keepsakes/>



Stardust Urns
Urn \$475 incl GST

Keepsake Heart
\$149 incl

Akbar Urns

Urn \$395 incl GST & Keepsakes are \$95 ea incl
 This is our stock price only, prices may increase for
 new stock imported

We define a funeral as the process from death to final disposition in which we as funeral directors are involved.

For the simplicity of this booklet we have selected four distinctive types of funeral and used the names we associate with each distinct group.

It is important that the reader remembers that many funerals fall outside these four groupings, and the final price will reflect the actual choices made.

This booklet is simply to give you a starting point on which to base your financial decisions. Your funeral director will confirm the cost of the funeral at the time arrangements are discussed.



We are members of New Zealand Independent Funeral Homes and the Funeral Directors Association of New Zealand.



This booklet's prices are valid for the 12 months—1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027

BUT: Council fee and externally purchased items may increase in cost, if suppliers increase their charges, these are outside of our control.



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