**Funeral Cost Comparison**

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) Funeral Rule governs funeral homes and crematories. Funeral homes are required to give you a price quote over the phone, and provide the General Price List (GPL) in writing if you visit the establishment. Cemeteries are under no such obligation, unfortunately. While you don’t have to pay in advance, take time to think about what you want, and then check facilities, staff, services and prices to make sure they meet your expectations. Sometimes the emotional cost to survivors of incomplete or inadequate services may outweigh cost savings. *Resources: Federal Trade Commission, pg. 61.*

**Company #1** **Company #2** **Company #3**

**Company # 1 Company # 2** **Company # 3**



**Name of Crematory / Funeral Home**

Pick-up / transportation of human remains

Forwarding body or cremated human remains

Receiving body or cremated human remains

**Cremation**

Cremation (retort) charge

Cremation service fee, if additional

Cost of container / casket for cremation

Cost of container / urn for cremated remains

**Burial Costs**

Casket for burial (attach description / model #)

Outer Burial Container: Indicate Liner or Vault

Immediate burial – no service or embalming etc.

**Service Fees**

Basic service fee for the funeral

Rental charge for church / hall / funeral home

Casket rental for service

Embalming (not required in any state)

Other preparation of the human remains

Refrigeration costs – ■ flat fee ■ per day charge

Visitation / viewing – staff and facilities

Graveside service – staff and equipment

Hearse / other vehicles

**TOTAL:**

**Cemetery #1** **Cemetery #2** **Cemetery #3**

**Name of Cemetery / Mausoleum:**

Cost of lot or crypt (if not already owned)

Perpetual Care fee

Opening and closing the grave, crypt or niche

Grave liner or vault, if required (see above)

Marker / monument (including setup)

**TOTAL:**

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