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## FAMILY PLANNING GUIDE

Miller Funeral Home was established in August of 1917 by Robert Judson “R.J.” Miller. Our original location was just one block away in the back of the Fountain and Chamber Dry Goods Store. R.J. was married to Mable McKissick and they had four children, Hubert, Bob, Ruth, and Elizabeth. R.J. passed away in 1928, leaving behind a legacy and passion for funeral service to his oldest son, Hubert, who took over the business with his mother at the young age of 16. They moved the funeral home to its’ present location in 1940. Hubert married Carolyn Robertson, and they had one son, Keith.

Hubert worked diligently in the funeral home until 1988, when he passed away. Keith, with his mother, continued the family business.


Keith, like his fathers before him, had a passion for community service. Along with his work at the funeral home, he started Miller Ambulance Service in the late 1970s, which serviced Haralson County for almost 30 years. Keith married Tammy Muse, and they had one daughter, Mindy. After Carolyn’s death, Tammy began working at the funeral home. Mindy, following in her family’s footsteps, started working at the funeral home full time in 2013, becoming our fourth-generation funeral director. She has inherited their passion for community service, while also incorporating continuous updates to our facilities and services to better meet our family’s needs.

Miller’s has been family owned and operated for over 100 years now. We consider the families we serve members of our own family, for without them, we would not have been able to serve this community for so long. Whether you are looking for Aquamation, cremation, or burial services or thinking about prearranging your own service, we are here to assist you in any way we can. Our commitment has been, and always will be, to give personalized, caring service to all our families.

*We sincerely appreciate the opportunity you have given us to be of service to you. In these pages, you will find our general price list along with burial and cremation packages. We know it can be difficult to make decisions during such an emotional time, and we hope these may help you in your decision-making process.*

*While we always strive to take care of your loved one with the utmost dignity and respect, we want to make sure we are doing the same for you. It is our privilege to assist you in planning a meaningful and personalized service that you can remember and feel comforted by for years to come.*

*Thank you again for allowing us to be of service to you*

Sincerely,  
  
 Mindy Miller-Moats



## GENERAL PRICE LIST

These prices are effective as of June 15, 2022 but are subject to change without notice.

The goods and services shown below are those items we can provide to our customers. You may choose only the items you desire. However, any funeral arrangements you select will include a charge for our basic services and overhead. If legal or other requirements mean you must buy any items you did not specifically ask for, we will explain the reason in writing on the statement we provide describing the funeral goods and services you selected.

**BASIC SERVICES OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR AND STAFF----- \$1,975**

Our services include; conducting the arrangement conference; planning the funeral; consulting with family and clergy; shelter of remains; preparing and filing of necessary notices; obtaining necessary authorizations and permits; coordinating with cemetery, crematory, or other third parties. In addition, this fee includes a proportionate share of our basic overhead costs. This fee for our basic services and overhead will be added to the total cost of the funeral arrangements that you select.

**EMBALMING ----- \$875**

Except in certain special cases, embalming is not required by law. Embalming may be necessary, however, if you select certain funeral arrangements, such as a funeral with viewing. If you do not want embalming, you usually have the right to choose an arrangement that does not require you to pay for it, such as direct cremation or immediate burial. **(Add \$300.00 for restoration of an autopsy or organ donor case.)**

**OTHER PREPARATION OF THE BODY----- \$295**

Bathing, cosmetizing and dressing of the body.

**USE OF FACILITIES AND STAFF FOR VISITATION----- \$525**

Up to 4 hours of visitation included: 1 hour of family time with 3 hours for public viewing

**USE OF EQUIPMENT AND STAFF FOR HOME VISITATION----- \$525**

**USE OF EQUIPMENT AND STAFF FOR FUNERAL SERVICE AT CHAPEL OR  
OTHER FACILITY----- \$595**

**USE OF EQUIPMENT AND STAFF FOR MEMORIAL SERVICE AT CHAPEL OR  
OTHER FACILITY----- \$595**

**USE OF EQUIPMENT AND STAFF FOR GRAVESIDE SERVICE----- \$595**

**REMOVAL OR TRANSFER OF REMAINS TO FUNERAL HOME----- \$395**

(Transportation over 50 miles is charged at a rate of \$3.00 per mile)

**HEARSE----- \$365**

(Transportation over 50 miles is \$3.00 per mile)

**SERVICE VEHICLE----- \$150**

(Transportation over 50 miles is \$3.00 per mile)

**TOTAL SERVICE CHARGE for *Miller Funeral Home* ----- \$5,175.00**

(Not including autopsies, or other special circumstances.)

**MERCHANDISE****CASKETS----- \$1,375 TO \$64,750**

(A complete list will be provided at our funeral home.)

**OUTER BURIAL CONTAINERS----- \$1,425 TO \$4,650****BURIAL CLOTHING----- Fees will vary**

(We purchase clothing from Belk and Sewell's)

**CREMATION URNS----- \$125 TO \$1,850****REGISTER BOOK, MEMORIAL FOLDER AND THANK YOU CARD****PACKAGES----- \$60 to \$225****MEMORIAL TRIBUTE (DVD)----- \$135**

(Up to 100 photographs included. 2 DVDs are included, extras can be purchased for \$10 a piece.)

**RENTAL CASKET-----\$695**

For use with visitation and funeral when cremation will follow services

**OTHER SERVICES****FORWARDING OF REMAINS TO ANOTHER FUNERAL HOME----- \$3,185**

Our charge includes: basic services of funeral director and staff; a proportionate share of overhead costs; removal of remains and embalming.

(The charge does not include a shipping tray.)

**RECEIVING REMAINS FROM ANOTHER FUNERAL HOME----- \$3,165**

Our charge includes: basic services of funeral director and staff; proportionate share of overhead costs; care of remains, one night visitation; staff and equipment for graveside service; and transportation to cemetery. (This price does not include cost of an outer burial container. Some cemeteries may require one.)

**IMMEDIATE BURIAL----- \$3,025**

Our charge includes: basic services of funeral director and staff; removal, and hearse. (This service does not include casket, grave opening or vault.)

**IMMEDIATE AQUAMATION (Alkaline Hydrolysis) ----- \$1,795**

Our charge for direct aquamation via alkaline hydrolysis (without ceremony) includes: basic services of funeral director and staff; a proportionate share of overhead costs; removal of remains within 50 miles; filing of death certificate and cremation permit. We will be happy to mail ashes to you, however, postage is an additional cost. As of January 1, 2021, we can no longer do payment plans for direct aquamations or cremations.

**IMMEDIATE CREMATION----- \$2,095**

Our charge for direct cremation (without ceremony) includes: alternative container; basic services of funeral director and staff; a proportionate share of overhead costs; removal of remains within 50 miles; transportation to crematory, filing of death certificate and cremation permit. We will be happy to mail ashes to you, however, postage is an additional cost. As of January 1, 2021, we can no longer do payment plans for aquamations or direct cremations.

**POSTAGE-----\$50 and up**

Postage charges incurred when mailing ashes to family members (\$50 minimum, may increase dependent on weight)

**THIRD PARTY FEES**

**GRAVE OPENING AND CLOSING, and SET UP----- \$800 to \$1400**

This is a cash advance item and may be due at the time arrangements are made. (Cash or check to Hulsey Grave Service.) Additional fees might include \$150 for oversize graves and \$250 per hour for rock break up at gravesites.

**RADIO OBITUARIES----- \$15-\$25**

WBTR-Carrollton (\$15), WGMI-Bremen (\$15), WKNG-Tallapoosa (\$15), WGAA-Cedartown (\$25)

**NEWSPAPER OBITUARIES**

Obituaries in the local papers are placed according to the wishes of each family. There is still a “free” version, but only lists the name and service information. The Gateway Beacon and Times GA range in price from \$40-\$100 each. Pictures can be included for \$35 per paper. The Atlanta Journal-Constitution offers a free listing with the name of the deceased and service information. If a detailed obituary is requested for the AJC or the Anniston Star, there will be a ‘per line charge’ to be preapproved by the family. The Cleburne News charges \$16 for an obituary.

**DEATH CERTIFICATES**

**GEORGIA-----\$25 for the first copy, \$5 for each additional**

**ALABAMA-----\$15 for the first copy, \$6 for each additional**

**FLORIST**

Some families may wish to purchase a floral spread to go on top of the casket. This price will depend on the florist and type of flowers you choose.

**PAYMENT TERMS**

We accept all major credit cards, cash, check, or money orders.

We will also be happy to file your life insurance for you with an assignment to pay for our services.

We do not charge to file your life insurance except for special circumstances.

If we are expecting to experience severe death certificate delays due to an autopsy or if the estate is named as an insurance beneficiary, we pay impose a fee to file your insurance.

**As of January 1, 2021, we can no longer do payment plans for Direct Aquamations or Cremations.**

**DISCOUNTS**

We offer a 3% discount on contracts paid in full before the funeral with cash or a check.

Discounts are applied to Miller Funeral Home services and merchandise.

Discounts apply to at-need services only.

## THE TRADITIONAL FUNERAL

The option represents those items of service that are normally chosen for a Traditional Funeral Service.

- Transfer of Remains to Funeral Home
- Basic Services of Funeral Directors and Staff
- Embalming and Other Preparation of Body
- Use of Facilities and Staff for Visitation
- Use of Equipment and Staff for Funeral Service in our Chapel or your Church
- Hearse for Service and Service/Flower Vehicle

**\$5,175.00**

This fee *does not include* the cost of a casket, vault, burial clothing, tribute video or any other funeral merchandise. It also does not include the cost of grave opening and closing, obituaries, or certified copies of the death certificate.

## PACKAGE OPTIONS

### **ECONOMICAL BURIAL PACKAGE with wood casket**

- Removal within 50 miles
- Preparations of decedent (embalming and other preparation)
- Basic services of funeral home and staff
- Visitation and funeral or graveside service in one day
- Use of hearse for transportation to cemetery
- Generic register book and memorial programs
- Basic Wood Casket (New Pointe Lyra Natural or Brown)
- Grave Liner (only in cases when cemetery requires outer burial container)
- Free notices in local papers
- Placement of obituary on funeral home website and shared to social media
- Opening and closing of grave by Hulsey Grave Service
- Florist, death certificate, additional obituary charges *not* included

**TOTAL: \$7,995**

### **ECONOMICAL BURIAL PACKAGE with metal casket**

- Removal within 50 miles
- Preparations of decedent (embalming and other preparation)
- Basic services of funeral home and staff
- Visitation and funeral or graveside service in one day
- Use of hearse for transportation to cemetery
- Generic register book and memorial programs
- Minimum Metal Casket (New Pointe Casket Co. Apollo with a choice from 5 different colors)
- Grave Liner (only in cases when cemetery requires outer burial container)
- Free notices in local papers
- Placement of obituary on funeral home website and shared to social media
- Opening and closing of grave by Hulsey Grave Service
- Florist, death certificate, additional obituary charges *not* included

**TOTAL: \$7,595**

**TRADITIONAL SERVICES FOLLOWING WITH AQUAMATION OR CREMATION**

- Removal within 50 miles
- Preparations of decedent (embalming and other preparation)
- Basic services of funeral home and staff
- Visitation and funeral in one day (Separate night of visitation can be added for an additional fee)
- Funeral Service in MFH Chapel (Hearse fee added if funeral at other facility)
- Generic register book and memorial programs
- Use of service vehicle for delivery of flowers to residence and/or other facility
- Aquamation or Cremation following funeral service and return of ashes to family
- Basic container to house ashes
- Rental Casket for visitation and funeral
- Placement of obituary on funeral home website and shared to social media
- DVD, newspaper obituary, florist and death certificate charges *not* included

**TOTAL: Aquamation \$5,595                      Cremation \$5,895**

**AQUAMATION OR CREMATION AND CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE**

- Removal within 50 miles
- Basic services of funeral home and staff
- Visitation and memorial service in one day
- Use of service vehicle for delivery of flowers to residence and/or other facility
- Aquamation or Cremation process
- Basic container to house ashes
- Placement of obituary on funeral home website and shared to social media
- Register book, DVD, obituary, florist and death certificate charges *not* included

**TOTAL: Aquamation \$2,640                      Cremation \$2,940**