

Autumn Funerals & Cremations

Authorization for Cremation and Disposition

**NOTICE: This is a legal document. It Contains important provisions concerning cremation.
Cremation is irreversible and final. Read this document carefully before signing.**

I/we, the undersigned, certify, warrant and represent that I/we have the full legal right and authority to authorize the cremation processing and disposition of the remains of _____ (Hereinafter referred to as the "Decedent").

Name of Decedent

I/we hereby request and authorize Autumn Funerals & Cremations (Hereinafter referred to as the "Funeral Home") to take possession of and make arrangements for the cremation of the remains of the Decedent at Autumn Cremation Services (Hereinafter referred to as the "Crematory").

I/we understand that the cremation will take place at an offsite crematory which is fully licensed by the State of Nevada and chosen by Autumn Funerals & Cremations. Initials _____

I/we authorize the Crematory to return the cremated remains of the Decedent to the possession and custody of the Funeral Home.

I/we hereby authorize the Funeral Home to arrange for the disposition of the cremated remains of the Decedent as follows:

- Release to Family _____ Initials _____
- Other: _____

ALL PACEMAKERS/RADIOACTIVE IMPLANTS MUST BE REMOVED PRIOR TO DELIVERING DECEDENT TO THE CREMATORY.

Did the decedent's remains contain a pacemaker, radioactive implant or other device that could be harmful to the crematory?

___ Yes ___ No

I/we authorize the funeral home to remove these devices and to properly dispose of them prior to transporting the decedent to the crematory. Initials _____

Was the death due to a Communicable disease ___ Yes ___ No Initials _____

TIME OF CREMATION

The crematory is authorized to perform cremation upon receipt of the human remains, at its discretion, and according to its own time schedule, as work permits, without obtaining further authorization or instructions. Initials _____

AUTHORITY OF AUTHORIZING AGENT

I/we the undersigned, hereby certify that I am (we/are) the closest living next of kin of the decedent and that I am (we are) related to the decedent as His/her _____, that I/we have the right to control disposition of the decedent and as such possess full legal authority and power, according to the laws of the State of Nevada to execute this authorization. In addition, I/we are aware of no objection to the cremation by any spouse, child, parent or sibling. Initials _____

LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

As the authorizing agent(s), I/we agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the funeral home, crematory, its officers, agents and employees, of and from any and all claims, demands, causes or causes of action and suits of every kind, nature and description, in law or equity, including any legal fees, cost and expenses of litigation, arising as a result of, based upon or connected with this authorization, including the failure to properly identify the decedent or the human remains transferred to crematory, the processing, shipping and final disposition of the decedents cremated remains, the failure to take possession of or make proper arrangements for the final disposition of the cremated remains or, claims brought by any other person(s) claiming the right to control the disposition of the decedent's cremated remains, or any other action performed by the crematory or its agents, or employees pursuant to this authorization. The obligations of the crematory shall be limited to the cremation of the decedent and the disposition of the decedent's cremated remains as authorized on the Authorization for Cremation and Disposition. No warranties, expressed or implied, are made and damages shall be limited to the amount of the cremation fee paid. Initials _____

By executing this Cremation Authorization, as Authorizing Agent(s) the undersigned warrant that all representations and statements contained on the authorization are true and correct, that these statements were made to induce the crematory to cremate the human remains of the decedent, and that the undersigned have read and understand the provisions contained within this authorization.

Executed at _____ this _____ day of _____, 20_____

NAME: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

RELATIONSHIP TO DECEDENT: _____ PHONE NO. _____

ADDRESS: _____

NAME: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

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ADDRESS: _____

SIGNATURE OF WITNESS FOR SIGNATURE(S) OF AUTHORIZING AGENT(S) _____

I have read and understand the Crematory: Policies, Procedures and Requirements listed on the back of this form: Initials _____

“CREMATORY”: POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS

The cremation, processing and disposition of the remains of the decedent shall be performed in accordance with all governing laws, and the policies, procedures and requirements of the Crematory and the designated funeral Home.

This document describes many of the policies and requirements of the Crematory and is incorporated in our Authorization for Cremation and Disposition. We suggest that you take the time to read this document carefully before executing the Authorization.

CASKETS/CONTAINERS

Crematory will not accept metal caskets. All wooden caskets and alternative containers must meet the following standards:

- 1) Be composed of materials suitable for cremation
- 2) Be able to be closed to provide a complete covering for the human remains
- 3) Be resistant to leakage or spillage
- 4) Be sufficient for handling with care
- 5) Be able to provide protection for the health and safety of crematory procedures

Many caskets that are comprised primarily combustible material also contain some exterior parts, e.g. decorative handles or rails, that are not combustible and that may cause damage to the cremation equipment. The Crematory at its sole discretion, reserves the right to remove these noncombustible materials prior to cremation and to discard them with similar materials from other cremations and other refuse in a non-recoverable manner.

PACEMAKERS, PROSTHETICS AND RADIOACTIVE DEVICES

Pacemakers and prostheses, as well as any other mechanical or radioactive devices or implants in the decedent, may create a hazardous condition when placed in the cremation chamber. It is imperative that pacemakers and radioactive devices be removed prior to cremation. If the funeral home is not notified about such devices and implants, and not instructed to remove them, then the person(s) authorizing the cremation will be responsible for any damages caused to crematory or crematory personnel by such devices or implants.

THE CREMATION PROCESS

All cremations are performed individually.

Cremation is performed by placing the decedent in a casket or other container and then placing the casket/container into a cremation chamber where they will be totally and irreversibly destroyed by prolonged exposure to intense heat and direct flames. During the cremation process, it may be necessary to open the cremation chamber and reposition the decedent in order to facilitate a complete and thorough cremation. Through the use of a suitable fuel, incineration of the container and contents is accomplished and all substances are consumed or driven off, except bone fragments (calcium compounds) and metal (including dental gold or silver and other nonhuman materials) as the temperature is not sufficient to consume them.

Following a cooling period the cremated remains, which will normally weigh several pounds in the case of an average size adult, are then swept or raked from the cremation chamber. The crematory makes a reasonable effort to remove all of the cremated remains from the cremation chamber, but it is impossible to remove all of them, as some dust and other residue from the process area always left behind. In addition, while every effort will be made to avoid commingling, inadvertent or incidental commingling of minute particles of cremated remains from the residue or previous cremations is a possibility.

After the cremated remains are removed from the cremation chamber, all non-combustible materials (insofar as possible), such as personal effects, bridgework, and materials from the casket or container, such as hinges, latches, nails, etc, will be separated and removed from the human bone fragments by visible or magnetic selection and will be disposed of by the crematory with similar materials from other cremations in a non-recoverable manner.

When the cremated remains are removed from the cremation chamber, the skeletal remains often contain recognizable bone fragments. Unless otherwise specified, after the bone fragments have been separated from other materials, they will then be mechanically processed (pulverized). This process of crushing or grinding may cause incidental commingling of the remains with the residue from the processing of previously cremated remains. These granulated particles of unidentifiable dimensions will be virtually unrecognizable as human remains.

URNS/CONTAINERS

After the cremated remains have been processed, they will be placed in the designated urn or container. The Crematory will make a reasonable effort to put all of the cremated remains in the urn or container, with the exception of dust or other residue that may remain on the processing equipment. These cremated remains usually weigh several pounds and usually measure in excess of 160-200 cubic inches. In the event the urn or container provided is insufficient to accommodate all of the cremated remains, the excess will be placed in a separate receptacle. The separate receptacle will be kept with the primary receptacle and handled according to the disposition instructions on the Authorization for Cremation and Disposition.

FINAL DISPOSITION

Cremation is NOT the final disposition. The cremation process simply reduces the decedent body to cremated remains. Some provision must be made for the final disposition of these cremated remains. Therefore, the crematory strongly suggests that arrangements for final disposition be made at the time that the cremation arrangements are made and that the Authorization for Cremation and Disposition is completed.

UNCLAIMED CREMATED REMAINS

In the event the cremated remains of the decedent remain unclaimed for a period of 6 months the funeral home shall give written notice to me/us by certified mail at the address(es) indicated below. I/we agree that in the event the cremated remains of the decedent remain unclaimed by me/us within two years from the date of cremation, I hereby authorize the funeral establishment to lawfully dispose of the cremated remains. (NRS 451.695)