How to contact our family

As a family, we understand all too well the devastation that death can bring. Through our own painful experience, the heartache and sadness can all too often overwhelm our thoughts, and the support of family and close friends helped us through a very difficult journey.

We see ourselves more ‘friends’ than Funeral Directors, as our families unite as one, in creating a memorable celebration and farewell for your loved one.

We sincerely hope that, should the need arise, you can turn to our family, for support, guidance and help at a difficult time.

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About our Chapel of Rest

Our Chapel have been dedicated to the memory of our lost children. This gesture openly reflects our own experience of bereavement, which we feel enables us to provide genuine sympathy towards you and the loss of your loved one. This room is available to you and your family to visit your loved one, in quiet and comfortable surroundings. The decoration of our Chapel is suitable for any denomination and for those who have no defined beliefs.

During the funeral arrangements, you will be asked if you wish to visit the Chapel once the deceased is prepared for visitors. You should feel comfortable in making a visit and only you can decide if this is something you wish to do.

Our Memorial Chapel is available to you 24 hours a day, seven days a week, by appointment. You can have photographs, flowers or personal items brought in, and these can be kept on display when you visit. In addition, you can select some favourite music to be played: Religious, Pop, Classical, it is your choice.

Why visit the Chapel?

Visiting the Chapel of Rest is an opportunity to say goodbye. Coming to terms with the loss of someone close can be very painful; however a peaceful image such as their loved one at rest will stay in their memory. This will not only bring comfort but also confirm the fact of death which is a necessary part of grieving. We do EVERYTHING possible to ensure your visit is a comfortable and reassuring experience.

The confirmation that death has occurred can also help the grieving process. In most cases until that final proof of death is faced, there remains the feeling of doubt and the sense of the unbelievable. A visit to the Chapel of Rest can be a great relief in these circumstances, helping create a peaceful final memory of the person who has died.

For various reasons, guilt can often impel people to visit the Chapel of Rest. It may be that there had been bad feeling or harsh words exchanged on their last meeting, or simply that they had not seen their loved one for sometime.

A visit to the Chapel of Rest enables them to say what they need to say even though there will be no response. A visit to see the deceased is a valuable way of helping to heal the rift.

A visit to the Chapel of Rest can often be an aid to the release of emotion, which otherwise may be held in check to the detriment of the bereaved persons physical and mental well being. It has been said that until one expresses their physical feelings and emotions, the path to acceptance of the loss cannot begin. The Chapel can provide the means to do this, in a place where their expression of grief can not be seen by others.

As a Funeral Director, there are also benefits to us having families visit the Chapel of Rest. Visiting the Chapel provides the opportunity for relatives to see for themselves that the care and well being of their loved one is being provided EXACTLY how we have promised. Our commitment to absolute care for all those who die is reflected in the way we openly promote the benefits of visiting the Chapel. For all our families, we ensure a positive and rewarding viewing experience.

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