

## MY FUNERAL WISHES

Everyone has their own ideas about the funeral they would like, after all it is a very personal decision. Use this form to assist the person responsible for your arrangements, giving them the comfort of knowing that they are carrying out your wishes.

Once completed, you should keep a copy safely with your personal documents and maybe a copy of your Will. It is also important to give a copy to the person who will be arranging your funeral – this may be a family member, a friend, an Executor or your Solicitor. If you would like us to hold a copy of your Funeral Wishes, please send this to: Richard Steel & Partners, Alderman House, 12–14 City Road, Winchester SO23 8SD or Richard Steel & Partners, The Gate House, Victoria Road, Bishop's Waltham, SO32 1DJ, whichever is closest to you.

### MY DETAILS

Full name:

Date of birth:

Address:

Postcode:

Phone no:

I have made a Will:      Yes    No

Where to find my Will:

### MY REPRESENTATIVE

Full name:

Relationship to you:

Address:

Postcode:

Phone no:

## MY CHOICES

### CREMATION

I wish to be cremated:      Yes    No                      Family to attend:      Yes    No

My preferred crematorium is...

I would like my ashes...  
(See guidance notes)

### BURIAL

I wish to be buried:      Yes    No

My preferred place of burial is...  
(See guidance notes)

I wish to be buried with...  
(Name and date of death)

Grave number:

## MY FUNERAL SERVICE

I would like my funeral to take place in:  
(The venue, such as Chesil House, church)

I would like:                      A religious service                      A civil service                      A non-religious service

The person I would like to officiate is:

From: (Church/organisation name)

I would like the following hymn(s):

I would like the following music:

I would like the following readings/poems:

**OTHER DETAILS**

I would like flowers at my funeral from:      Family only      No flowers please      Everyone

I would like charitable donations for:  
(Name of charity)

I would like a newspaper notice in:  
(Name of publication)

I wish to be dressed in:

I would like any jewellery to be      Removed and returned to family      Buried or cremated with me

**THE COFFIN**

In addition to traditional veneered or solid wood coffins, here are many other options available including bamboo, cane, wicker, seagrass, cardboard, colourful ad somerset willow – all available to view at [www.richardsteelandpartners.co.uk/coffins](http://www.richardsteelandpartners.co.uk/coffins).

I would like my coffin to be:

**FUNERAL VEHICLES**

In addition to our traditional Hearses and Limousines, we can provide a range of alternatives including a motorcycle hearse, horse drawn hearse, Land Rover 4x4s, VW camper vans, a routemaster bus, pink, silver or white vehicles – some are available to view on the website [www.richardsteelandpartners.co.uk/vehicles](http://www.richardsteelandpartners.co.uk/vehicles).

I would like something other than a traditional hearse:

**ADDITIONAL NOTES OR USEFUL INFORMATION**

**GUIDANCE NOTES**

**DISPOSAL OF ASHES**

There are a number of options for the final placement of ashes:

Formal burial in a churchyard or cemetery, whether in a new plot or an existing family grave. This will usually allow for the placement of a memorial stone (with a few exceptions).

Scattering or burial in the Garden of Remembrance at a crematorium. There are many options for a permanent or semi-permanent memorial including plaques, roses, trees and/or an entry on the Book of Remembrance.

Loose burial in the Richard Steel & Partners Memorial Garden at Chesil House, Winchester. Formal memorial stones are not permitted but fresh flowers can be placed to mark the location.

Scattering by family/friends in a special location such as a local beauty spot, woodland, favoured holiday location or private garden.

Scattering or burial at sea. There are a number of different ways to achieve this. Your Funeral Director can provide further advice.

**ADVANCE FUNERAL PLANNING**

I have a pre-payment funeral plan:      Yes    No

Plan number:

Provider:

Where to find my contract:

**RIGHT OF BURIAL**

**CHURCHYARDS OR LOCAL PARISH CEMETERY**

If open for burial, you would normally need to be a resident in the parish at the time of your death, in order to be granted a new grave space for a burial or an interment of ashes.

However, if there is an existing family grave which has space for a burial, a churchyard may consider granting permission (even if not a resident) providing it does not cause conflict with any surviving family members.

**MUNICIPAL CEMETERIES**

The majority of municipal cemeteries will allow burial to take place even if you are not a resident in the area at the time of your death. However, please be aware that the fees are often much higher for non-residents.

**WOODLAND BURIAL SITES**

If you are considering a 'green' burial at a natural burial site, you may prefer to visit locations in order to decide which you prefer. Some will give the option to pre-purchase a grave, which enables you to choose your exact burial spot. Often, they do not allow any form of memorialisation and may not accept burial or scattering of ashes. Please see [www.richardsteelandpartners.co.uk/funeral-arrangements](http://www.richardsteelandpartners.co.uk/funeral-arrangements).



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