



Bodden Funeral

"A source of comfort in a troubled time"

Funeral Planning Checklist

- Gather information for the obituary and radio announcement.**

The information should include given name and date of birth. Also supply mother's maiden name and father's name, as well as a list of survivors and their relationship to the deceased

- Decide whether it's a burial or cremation and choose a site.**

- Choose a funeral conductor or officiant to lead the service.**

Generally, if being held at a religious place of worship, the religious leader there will lead the service according to traditional practices. However, if the service is being held at another location, you can choose an officiant.

- Choose pallbearers to carry or escort the casket**

If there is someone whom you would like to have as a pallbearer, but they are not physically capable of carrying the weight of a casket, they can serve as an "honorary pallbearers" and walk beside or behind the casket.

- Decide on the order of the events for the service and provide to the funeral home for the program**

Funeral programs usually contain the order of the service, the names of participants and any readings or musical pieces that are to be performed. They also have an obituary.

- Choose people to deliver eulogies**

Family members, friends and colleagues often give eulogies.

- Select the readings and/or prayers you'd like people to read.**

- Choose people to deliver readings or prayers at the service.**

If the service is religious, there may be traditional prayers or hymns that should be read

- Choose songs or music you'd like to have played or performed.**

If you are playing music, make sure the venue can accommodate the technology

- Choose the type of flower arrangements you'd like to have at the service.**