

AUTHORIZATION FOR CREMATION

THIS IS A LEGAL DOCUMENT. READ IT CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING.

CREMATION IS IRREVERSIBLE

Funeral Establishment					
Crematory					
Decedent	First Name		Middle Name		Last Name
	Sex	Race	Height		Weight
	Eye Color	Hair Color	Visible Markings (scars, tattoos, etc.)		
	Date of Birth	Date of Death	Time of Death		Age
Will cremation be witnessed?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, complete Witnessed Cremation Authorization.				
Will a visitation or service occur prior to cremation? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No					

Description of Cremation Container

Personal items, jewelry, prostheses, dentures, dental fillings and bridgework will be destroyed and are not recoverable following the cremation process. I accept responsibility for removing, or arranging to have removed, any item identified below from the Decedent prior to cremation. Metals, resulting from items not removed from Decedent, which are recovered from the cremated remains will be processed by a recycling company.

Items: ☐ None

Does Decedent have any implanted medical devices, such as a pacemaker? I authorize Funeral Establishment/Crematory to remove, or to have removed, from the Decedent, any such devices. ☐ Yes ☐ No

Has Decedent been treated with radioactive implants used in brachytherapy, or with nuclear medicine? If yes, additional authorization for cremation may be required. ☐ Yes ☐ No

_____ I certify that the Decedent's remains do not contain an implanted medical device and have not been treated with radioactive implants. If I have failed to inform Funeral Establishment / Crematory of the presence of either, I acknowledge that I shall be solely liable for any resulting damage.

Initials

I hereby request, authorize and direct Funeral Establishment/Crematory, identified above, to cremate in accordance with and subject to its rules and regulations the remains of the above named Decedent. The cremation will occur only after all the necessary authorizations required by applicable law have been obtained and duly executed and when the necessary crematory equipment is available.

As the Authorizing Agent, I agree, acknowledge, authorize and direct the following:

- The Decedent must be cremated in a leak-resistant, rigid, combustible cremation container.
- Following cremation, the cremated remains, consisting primarily of bone fragments, will be processed and mechanically reduced to an unidentifiable consistency.
- I acknowledge that some particles of the cremated remains may inadvertently become commingled with particles of other cremated remains during the cremation process, and I authorize Funeral Establishment/Crematory to dispose of any such particles in any lawful manner.
- The Funeral Establishment/Crematory will place the Decedent's cremated remains in the urn or container described in the Order for Disposition of Cremated Remains. If the urn or container is insufficient to accommodate all the cremated remains, any excess cremated remains will be placed in a secondary container and disposed of pursuant to Order for Disposition of Cremated Remains.
- I hereby indemnify, release and hold harmless Funeral Establishment/Crematory, their owners, affiliates, subsidiaries, its and their officers, directors, employees, agents and assigns from any and all claims, damages, liabilities, losses, costs, expenses or causes of action (including reasonable attorney's fees and expenses of litigation) which are related to any and all actions taken pursuant to this Authorization and from any circumstances beyond the control of Funeral Establishment/ Crematory, in connection with the cremation of Decedent and disposition of the cremated remains, including shipping via Priority Express Mail by the United States Postal Service.
- I am an Authorizing Agent as defined by Section 68.50.160, Washington Code (set forth below). I warrant the truthfulness of the facts set forth in this authorization, the identity of the Decedent and my authority to order the cremation of Decedent's remains. I acknowledge that I am personally liable for all damages occasioned by or resulting from the breach of my warranty. I authorize the cremation of the Decedent identified herein. I attest that I am not aware of any person in my priority class or higher who objects to this authorization. I acknowledge that no person may make a claim objecting to the cremation of the Decedent identified herein against Funeral Establishment/Crematory when Funeral Establishment/Crematory acts upon the authorization of the Authorizing Agent executing this authorization.

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<div>Initials</div>	
<div>Special Requests</div>	

Section 68.50.160, Washington Code

(1) A person has the right to control the disposition of his or her own remains without the predeath or postdeath consent of another person. A valid written document expressing the decedent's wishes regarding the place or method of disposition of his or her remains, signed by the decedent in the presence of a witness, is sufficient legal authorization for the procedures to be accomplished.

(2) Prearrangements that are prepaid, or filed with a licensed funeral establishment or cemetery authority, under RCW 18.39.280 through 18.39.345 and chapter 68.46 RCW are not subject to cancellation or substantial revision by survivors. Absent actual knowledge of contrary legal authorization under this section, a licensed funeral establishment or cemetery authority may not be held criminally nor civilly liable for acting upon such prearrangements.

(3) If the decedent has not made a prearrangement as set forth in subsection (2) of this section or the costs of executing the decedent's wishes regarding the disposition of the decedent's remains exceeds a reasonable amount or directions have not been given by the decedent, the right to control the disposition of the remains of a deceased person vests in, and the duty of disposition and the liability for the reasonable cost of preparation, care, and disposition of such remains devolves upon the following in the order named:

(a) The person designated by the decedent as authorized to direct disposition as listed on the decedent's United States department of defense record of emergency data, DD form 93, or its successor form, if the decedent died while serving in military service as described in 10 U.S.C. Sec. 1481(a) (1)-(8) in any branch of the United States armed forces, United States reserve forces, or national guard;

(b) The designated agent of the decedent as directed through a written document signed and dated by the decedent in the presence of a witness. The direction of the designated agent is sufficient to direct the type, place, and method of disposition;

(c) The surviving spouse or state registered domestic partner;

(d) The majority of the surviving adult children of the decedent;

(e) The surviving parents of the decedent;

(f) The majority of the surviving siblings of the decedent;

(g) A court-appointed guardian for the person at the time of the person's death.

(4) If any person to whom the right of control has vested pursuant to subsection (3) of this section has been arrested or charged with first or second degree murder or first degree manslaughter in connection with the decedent's death, the right of control is relinquished and passed on in accordance with subsection (3) of this section.

(5) If a cemetery authority as defined in RCW 68.04.190 or a funeral establishment licensed under chapter 18.39 RCW has made a good faith effort to locate the person cited in subsection (3)(a) through (g) of this section or the legal representative of the decedent's estate, the cemetery authority or funeral establishment has the right to rely on an authority to bury or make final disposition of the human remains, executed by the most responsible party available, and the cemetery authority or funeral establishment may not be held criminally or civilly liable for burying or performing final disposition of the human remains. In the event any government agency or charitable organization provides the funds for the disposition of any human remains, the cemetery authority, alkaline hydrolysis, natural organic reduction facility, or funeral establishment may not be held criminally or civilly liable for making final disposition of the human remains.

(6) The liability for the reasonable cost of preparation, care, and disposition devolves jointly and severally upon all kin of the decedent in the same degree of kindred, in the order listed in subsection (3) of this section, and upon the estate of the decedent..

Signature must be witnessed if Authorizing Agent is the person to be cremated.

<div>Signature of Authorizing Agent</div>	<div>Date Signed</div>
<div>Signature of Witness</div>	<div>Date Signed</div>
<div>Printed Name of Witness</div>	
<div>Signature of Authorizing Agent</div>	<div>Date Signed</div>
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<div>Signature of Funeral Establishment Representative</div>	<div>Date Signed</div>
<div>Signature of Crematory Representative</div>	<div>Date Signed</div>