



Church and Chapel

Ritter-Larsen Bros.

Funeral Homes & Pre-Planning Centers

Church and Chapel Funeral Homes understands the severity and the risk involved with the Coronavirus. As a public entity we want to inform you that we are taking precautions to reduce your risk to exposure while in attendance at our facilities.

We are monitoring communications distributed by the Center for Disease Control and the National Funeral Directors Association as well as our local and state health agencies in regard to information on the Coronavirus (Covid-19). To ensure that your risk is minimized while attending an event at our facilities, we are suggesting the following:

1. Our staff will make environmental cleaning procedures top priority at our facilities. Door handles, knobs, faucets, toilets, water fountains, as well as any surfaces that come into human contact will be diligently cleaned with an antibacterial agent.
2. Hot and cold beverage service and food items to the public will be suspended during funerals and visitations at this time to limit exposure. A personal space zone (distance of 6 ft.) is suggested between visitors and family members of the deceased. No skin contact is recommended such as hand shaking.
3. We are suggesting obituaries be written to mention services shall be attended by immediate family with the intentions to not have more than 10 people in attendance. Governor Evers just enacted a rule that no public gathering can be larger than 10 people. Funerals are not exempt from this rule. This is the government's policy and not ours. This will need to be honored and we will ask guest to pay their respects and depart timely to allow for others to pay their respects. If a larger crowd is anticipated, an additional memorial service could be held at a later date.
4. Hand sanitizer and Kleenex will be available (for as long as these items are available to us). Signage will be provided to wash your hands before and after a visit. Systems will be put into place to give the general public an opportunity to come, honor, and pay their respects in a less crowded environment. Many churches are not allowing funerals to be held in their church; inquiries can be made if attendance is less than 10 people.
7. When making funeral arrangements, our staff will ask the family if they would be comfortable making the arrangements over a speaker telephone to limit contact especially if the funeral has been preplanned. If funeral arrangements are made in person, we will ask the family to send as few as possible people to make the arrangements. We will sit in our largest arrangement rooms first and we will separate ourselves at the arrangement table as best as possible.
8. We may need to ask the family to consider immediate family to attend burials with a funeral service to follow at a later date. Family is welcome to identify or have a private viewing of their loved one prior to burial as long attendance does not exceed 10 people. We appreciate in advance cooperation with prompt burial as we are concerned with capacity and safety to our staff.
9. We operate our own crematory and cremation request will stay on schedule.
10. If anyone is experiencing flu-like symptoms, they should stay home from the event.



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Honoring and remembering a life are what we are all about. Public health and safety are first and foremost in our minds during this time. If you have any concerns or apprehension about attending our facility, please stay safe at home. Updates or changes will come as more information is known.