

WELCOME TO HOPE AND SONS

At Hope and Sons, we recognise each person for their unique life and help tailor a service that is suited to them. We are committed to guiding and overseeing a farewell that is as exceptional and as special as the person you are remembering.

When someone dies it can be an overwhelming time. For some people it may be the first time they are dealing with an experience like this. The team at Hope and Sons can give advice and support.

We understand that each situation is different and know a death can occur at any time, day or night.

We always have someone at the end of the phone, there is no rush, and we can move at a pace that is comfortable for you.



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UNDERSTANDING FUNERALS



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WHY FUNERALS MATTER

Funerals play a very important role in helping us to cope with our grief. They are for the living – they provide us with an opportunity to say our goodbyes, to be with people to give and receive support, and to reflect and share the memories of the life of someone we have loved that mattered to us.

When someone we love dies, the funeral is not for them, it's about them. The funeral is for everyone who knew, loved and was connected to that person.

Funerals are for support, for you but also for those that attend. They are seen as the right time and place for people who cared about your loved one to be together to talk, to support each other, to reminisce and tell stories, to pay their respects, to let you know that they care about you. It provides others with an opportunity to let you know they care and is a safe place for expression of their feelings.

Having support around you at this very difficult time, and in the weeks and months after the funeral when the reality of the loss really starts to sink in, is vital as we have to adapt to a life without someone who mattered to us.

FUNERAL DIRECTORS

The main role of a funeral director is to assist the family in any way they can, to impart knowledge, and use their experience to guide family and friends through the days and weeks following a death.

Each funeral director knows that a funeral is one of the final opportunities for family and friends to publicly express their love and respect for the deceased. They work with families to shape a service that is fitting for them.

Whether it is private or public, large or small gatherings, has cultural or religious aspects, the Hopes funeral director will listen and assist you with creating and facilitating a format that suits your needs.



THE FUNERAL SERVICE

There is no “right way” to have a funeral service, a contemporary service offers families the opportunity to gather, honour, and remember their loved one in a meaningful way.

Contemporary services can be held in many places such as:

- Hope and Sons Chapel
- Churches
- Rugby Clubs
- Community Spaces
- Gardens
- Auditoriums

Hopes can assist with creating these special moments by providing equipment or using local companies to support crafting the perfect environment.

A Celebrant, member of Clergy or even a family member or friend can lead a service, and they can be personalised with choices of music, service sheets, slideshows, and other special touches that can reflect your loved one's life and story.

We will work alongside you to ensure each detail honours your wishes, faith, and traditions.