



NORTHBROOK UMC
Encounter. Love. Serve.

Funeral at Northbrook United Methodist Church

The clergy of Northbrook UMC love you and are honored to assist you in your time of bereavement. We share in your grief and are praying for and with you.

Funerals receive high priority in scheduling space. We will try to honor your preferences for time and date. Occasionally there are unavoidable scheduling conflicts, and we will ask you to select another date or time. We cannot host services on holidays or before 2:30 p.m. on Sundays.

In The United Methodist Church, a funeral is considered a worship service. We strive to honor God and the deceased throughout the bereavement process. For this reason, we have certain guidelines for creating a unique and holy experience that celebrates the life of the deceased and looks forward to the resurrection from the dead.

General Information

Main Contact: _____

Names of Immediate Family: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Funeral Home: _____

Funeral Home Contact: _____

Expectations of the Funeral (will they coordinate family? serve as ushers?)

In lieu of flowers: _____

Estimated number of bulletins to print? _____

Would you like extra flowers donated to the Northbrook UMC Flower Ministry? _____

Guidelines

Ministers: Any service held at Northbrook UMC must be officiated by one of our clergy. Guest ministers are welcome to assist in the service but must be "approved" by our staff.

Programs: Northbrook can print programs for the service with a photo on the front of the bulletin.

Reception: The church can provide a tea and lemonade reception in the fellowship hall for one hour following the service. If the family chooses to bring outside food, it must be purchased or catered. Food cannot be cooked or stored on campus.

Guestbook: Funeral homes or the family may supply a guestbook which will be available to be signed in the Narthex before the funeral service. Following the service, the guestbook will be moved outside the fellowship Hall to encourage guests to attend the reception.

Music: The church organist is always the first choice for playing the organ. When not available, the church will select a replacement. Music selections must be approved by the music director and be Christian in nature. We will also help arrange soloists or other musicians at your request. Please be aware that some musicians, including our organist, will have a fee for their participation. Guest musicians are welcome to play special music on the piano or their instrument.

Audio: Microphones will be provided for all those speaking or singing. All guest speakers and musicians must be at Northbrook one hour before the service for mic check and instructions.

Visual: Video slides can be played in the sanctuary and then moved to the Fellowship Hall. Videos should be within five minutes and shared with church staff 48 hours before the funeral. The video should be in mp4 format with instrumental music, which the church can provide if necessary.

Live-Stream Video: This feature is available, and a link to share will be provided beforehand for the family to share. The link will be shared with the congregation if the deceased is a church member.

Costs:

Musicians: \$150 per person
Sound and Audiovisual: \$150
Facility support: \$200
Reception: \$100
Live Stream: \$100
Pastors: optional honorarium

Funeral Homes:

Northside Funeral Home: 470-480-4251

Roswell Funeral Home: 770-993-4811

Florists:

The Best Little Flower Shop: 770-642-7878

Hamilton Flowers: 770-641-7877

Celebration of Life and Resurrection

for _____
Date _____ and Time _____

Prelude

Processional

Greeting & Words of Grace

*Hymn

Video Tribute

Prayer

New or Old Testament Reading

Gospel Reading

Psalm

Words of Hope (Pastor)

Remembrance

Special Music or Hymn

Benediction

Recessional

*Please rise as you are able.

- Reception Information _____
- Graveside Information _____

The Funeral Service

Suggested Hymns:

- 378 - Amazing Grace
- 534 - Be Still, My Soul
- 407 - Close to Thee
- 77- How Great Thou Art
- 133 - Leaning on the Everlasting Arms
- 474 - Precious Lord, Take My Hand
- 504 - The Old Rugged Cross
- 526 - What a Friend We Have in Jesus

Suggested solos:

- In The Garden
- The Lord's Prayer
- Pie Jesu
- Precious Lord, Take My Hand
- Give Me Jesus

Old Testament Scriptures

Job 19:25-27 - I know that my Redeemer lives...
Isaiah 40:1-8 - Comfort, O comfort my people...
Isaiah 40:28-31 - The Lord is an everlasting God...
Isaiah 41:8-13 - Do not fear, for I am with you...
Ezekiel 37:1-14 - I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live.

New Testament Scriptures

John 14:1-4, 18-19, 25-27, Let not your hearts be troubled...
Romans 8:35-39, Who will separate us from the love of Christ...
1 Corinthians 13, The Gift of Love
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Concerning those who sleep...
2 Timothy 4:6-8, 17-18, I've fought the good fight...