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General Price List



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Downing & Lahey Mortuaries & Crematory is locally owned and operated, serving the Wichita area community for over 100 years. Unlike other local firms who are owned by publicly traded companies and multinational corporations, we are in our fifth generation of family ownership.

When you choose Downing & Lahey, you are working with people who understand the Wichita community and all its traditions. It also means we can make decisions that serve your family best.

Higher Standards

Downing & Lahey is the only funeral home in all of greater Wichita that meets and exceeds the standards of Selected Independent Funeral Homes, a professional organization fewer than 7% of funeral homes are eligible to join.

Code of Good Practice

As funeral directors, our calling imposes upon us special responsibilities to those we serve and to the public at large. Chief among them is the obligation to inform the public so that everyone can make knowledgeable decisions about funerals.

GENERAL PRICE LIST

Effective August 14, 2026

The pages that follow are intended to give you an overview of the services and products typically involved in various funeral arrangements. These include:

- Traditional Funeral Service
- Graveside Service
- Cremation with Memorial Service
- Direct Cremation

Each type of service involves different levels of staffing, facility use, and equipment. You have the freedom to select only the services you desire from our General Price List. We hope this is a helpful tool that will assist you in making informed and thoughtful decisions.

The Goods and Services on the following pages are those we can provide to our families. You may choose only the items you desire. However, any funeral arrangements you select will include charges for our basic services and overhead. If legal or other requirements mean you must buy any items you did not specifically ask for, we will explain the reason in writing on the statement we provide describing the funeral goods and services you selected.

A funeral is a significant and meaningful event. When thoughtfully planned, it can help ease the sorrow that accompanies the loss of a loved one. It offers an opportunity to come together, honor a life well-lived, and share cherished memories with family and friends.

Our dedicated team is here to guide you through every step, handling the details and providing clear explanations of your options. We are committed to delivering exceptional service and compassionate care to every family we assist.

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Basic Services of Funeral Director & Staff \$2,275

The services of the funeral director and staff include, but are not limited to, 24-hour availability, consultation with the family to determine their wishes and acquiring the information needed to carry these out. It includes conducting the arrangements conference, planning the funeral, securing the necessary permits, preparing the notices, and coordinating the cemetery or crematory arrangements. Also included in this charge are overhead expenses relative to our facility such as insurance, maintenance and utility expenses, secretarial and administrative costs; and equipment and inventory expenses.

This fee for our basic services and overhead will be added to the total cost of the funeral arrangements you select. (This fee is included in our charges for direct cremation, immediate burials and forwarding or receiving remains.)

Embalming..... \$795

Except in certain special cases, embalming is not required by law. Embalming may be necessary, however, if you select certain funeral arrangements, such as a funeral with viewing. If you do not want embalming, you usually have the right to choose an arrangement that does not require you to pay for it, such as direct cremation or immediate burial. Regulation 63-3-10(e) of the Kansas State Board of Mortuary Arts requires that a body that is not buried or cremated within 24 hours of death must be embalmed or refrigerated.

Other Preparation of the Body \$425

This service provides professional cosmetology, dressing and casketing.

Sheltering of the Remains..... \$425

This service is the sheltering of an unembalmed body in refrigeration for up to 72 hours OR sheltering of an embalmed body when viewing isn't selected for up to 7 days.

(An additional \$50 per day after 3 days for an unembalmed body.)

(An additional \$50 per day after 7 days for an embalmed body.)

USE OF FACILITIES, STAFF AND EQUIPMENT

Funeral Ceremony (Conducted at Mortuary / Other Facility) \$845

Memorial Service (Conducted at Mortuary / Other Facility) for cremation services..... \$845

Graveside Service (when Funeral Ceremony is NOT selected) \$595

Viewing, Visitation or Rosary (Conducted at Mortuary / Other Facility) \$495

Viewing is for two days or any portion thereof.

Use of state room for additional days - \$200 per day

Second Rosary (at Downing & Lahey Chapel) - \$395

AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT

Transfer of Remains to the Mortuary **\$495**
(Within 25 miles) beyond 25 miles is \$3.00 per loaded mile

Hearse or Service Vehicle **\$295**
(Within 25 miles) beyond 25 miles is \$5.00 per loaded mile for hearse
\$3.00 per loaded mile for service vehicle

OTHER SERVICE OPTIONS

Forwarding of Remains to Another Funeral Home **\$3,885**
This charge includes reduced Basic Services of Funeral Director and Staff, Embalming, Other Preparation of the Body, Transfer of Remains to the Mortuary. (This charge is in addition to any merchandise selected)
(Add \$500 if trip to Kansas City Airport is necessary)

Receiving of Remains from Another Funeral Home **\$4,005**
This charge includes reduced Basic Services of Funeral Director and Staff, Funeral Ceremony, Viewing, Transfer of Remains to the Mortuary (within 25 miles), Hearse. (This charge is in addition to any merchandise selected)
(Add \$500 if trip to Kansas City Airport is necessary)

Immediate Burial (without ceremony) **\$4,205 to \$15,750**
This charge includes Basic Services of Funeral Director and Staff, Other Preparation of the Body, Sheltering of the Remains, Transfer of Remains to the Mortuary, Service Vehicle to local cemetery. (This charge is in addition to any merchandise selected)

Immediate burial with a container provided by the purchaser \$4,205
Range of immediate burial with a casket from our Selection Room \$5,650 to \$15,750

Direct Cremation (without ceremony) **\$3,870 to \$15,415**
This charge includes Basic Services of Funeral Director and Staff, Sheltering of the Remains, Transfer of Remains to the Mortuary, Crematory charge.
If you want to arrange a direct cremation, you can use an alternative container. Alternative containers encase the body and can be made of materials like fiberboard or composition materials (with or without an outside covering). The container we provide is made of fiberboard and wood.

Direct cremation with a container provided by purchaser \$3,870
Direct cremation with alternative container selected from mortuary \$4,045
Direct cremation with any combustible casket from our Selection Room \$5,265 to \$15,415

MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES & SERVICES

Cremation	\$675
After-Hours Cremation (additional fee when the cremation process starts after 4:30 PM).....	\$250
Overnight Travel (when you request us to make a trip requiring overnight lodging)	\$300
Document Preparation Fee (for shipping of remains outside of U.S.)	starting at \$500
Organ Donation Repair – Billed to Tissue Bank or American Red Cross	\$160
Autopsy Repair Fee	\$250
Mileage Charge to Kansas City Area (separate from vehicle charge)	\$500
Estate Filing Fee – If the funeral bill is not paid within 60 days and the mortuary files a claim against the estate of the deceased, this fee will be added at the time of filing.....	\$500
Mailing of Cremated Remains (via USPS)	starting at \$175
National Holiday Surcharge (No services on Thanksgiving or Christmas)	\$1495
Out of Town Chapel/Church Additional Staff Fee (greater than 60 miles from Wichita).....	\$495

PERSONALIZED FUNERAL CONVENIENCE GROUPS

These groupings do not include merchandise or cash advances.

Traditional Service Grouping (includes graveside service)	\$5,625
This grouping includes Basic Services of Funeral Director and Staff, Embalming, Other Preparation of the Body, Viewing, Funeral Ceremony, Transfer of Remains to the Mortuary, Hearse.	
Graveside Service Grouping (when service is only at cemetery).....	\$5,375
This grouping includes Basic Services of Funeral Director and Staff, Embalming, Other Preparation of the Body, Viewing, Graveside Service, Transfer of Remains to the Mortuary, Hearse.	
Cremation With Memorial Service	\$5,010
This grouping includes Basic Services of Funeral Director and Staff, Sheltering of Remains, Memorial Service, Transfer of Remains to the Mortuary, Crematory Charge, Service Vehicle or Hearse.	
<i>If Visitation or Rosary is desired – add \$495</i>	
Direct Cremation (without ceremony).....	\$3,870
This charge includes Basic Services of Funeral Director and Staff, Sheltering of Remains, Transfer of Remains to the Mortuary, Crematory charge.	



(Left) Downing & Lahey East Chapel | (Right) Downing & Lahey West Chapel

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CASKET PRICE LIST

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Copper Caskets

Mediterranean.....	32 Oz. Copper	Brown	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$10,895
Aegean	32 Oz. Copper	Brown	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$10,295
Tapestry Rose	32 Oz. Copper	Violet	Velvet/Moss Pink	\$10,295

Stainless Steel Caskets

Golden Rose.....	Stainless Steel.....	Violet	Velvet/Moss Pink	\$7,295
Golden Sand.....	Stainless Steel.....	Gold	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$7,295
Silver Sapphire (Full Couch) ..	Stainless Steel.....	Blue	Velvet/Silver	\$7,295
Silver Sapphire.....	Stainless Steel.....	Blue	Velvet/Silver	\$7,295
Blue Mist.....	Stainless Steel.....	Blue	Velvet/Light Blue.....	\$6,695

Steel Caskets

Silver Pearl	18 Gauge	Silver	Velvet/Silver	\$6,645
Golden Granite.....	18 Gauge	Silver	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$6,445
Golden Pearl.....	18 Gauge	White	Velvet/Eggshell	\$6,345
Greyson.....	18 Gauge	Grey.....	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$5,795
Tuscany Silver	18 Gauge	Violet	Moss Pink.....	\$5,595
Opal	18 Gauge	Blue	Velvet/Silver	\$5,345
Auburn Sunset.....	18 Gauge	Brown	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$5,295
Onyx	18 Gauge	Black.....	Velvet/Silver	\$5,295
Violet Bouquet	18 Gauge	Violet	Velvet/Natural	\$5,295
Indigo Blue.....	18 Gauge	Blue	Woven Ivory	\$4,795
Royal Plum.....	18 Gauge	Violet	Woven Ivory	\$4,695
Pearl.....	18 Gauge	White	Crepe/Moss Pink	\$4,295
Misty Blue.....	20 Gauge	Blue	Crepe/Light Blue	\$3,945
Vintage	20 Gauge	Violet	Crepe/Silvertaupe	\$3,845
Galaxy	20 Gauge	Grey.....	Crepe/Silver.....	\$3,295
Earthtone.....	20 Gauge	Brown	Crepe/Rosetan	\$2,795
Triton Grey.....	20 Gauge	Grey.....	Crepe/Ivory.....	\$2,295

Hardwood Caskets

Chancellor	Solid Walnut.....	Dark.....	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$11,545
Premier	Solid Mahogany.....	Dark.....	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$11,345
Pembroke Cherry	Solid Cherry.....	Dark.....	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$10,545
Embassy Cherry.....	Solid Cherry.....	Dark.....	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$8,245
Pieta (Full Couch)	Solid Maple	Dark.....	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$8,045
Prominence.....	Solid Maple	Dark.....	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$7,995
Sacrament	Maple Veneer	Dark.....	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$7,095
Warren Oak	Solid Oak	Dark.....	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$6,895
Autumn Oak.....	Solid Oak	Medium	Crepe/Rosetan	\$6,895
Cameron	Oak Veneer.....	Medium	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$6,445
Woodhaven	Pecan Veneer.....	Medium	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$5,995
Landon	Select Hardwood.....	Dark.....	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$5,995
Trenton.....	Select Hardwood.....	Light.....	Crepe/Rosetan	\$5,645
Dalton.....	Sel. Hardwood Veneer	Dark.....	Crepe/Rosetan	\$5,545
Forever Honored	Select Hardwood.....	Dark.....	Ivory Linwood	\$5,545
Classic Pecan.....	Pecan Veneer.....	Light.....	Ivory Linwood	\$5,445
Branson	Sel. Hardwood Veneer	Medium	Woven Saffron	\$5,395
*Oak Matte	Solid Oak	Medium	Crepe/Rosetan	\$4,295

Dual Disposition Caskets

Fireside	Solid Oak	Medium	Duck Cloth/Oatmeal	\$5,695
Parkside.....	Sel. Hardwood Veneer	Medium	Crepe/Rosetan	\$3,645
Clifton	Select Hardwood.....	Dark.....	Crepe/Rosetan	\$3,395
Delray.....	Select Hardwood.....	Light.....	Crepe/Rosetan	\$3,145
*Dorset Bamboo.....	Bamboo	Light.....	Cotton	\$1,445
Grey Doeskin.....	Cloth Covered Fiberboard.....	Grey.....	Crepe/Ivory.....	\$1,395

Dimensions Caskets

Mansfield-27	Select Hardwood.....	Dark.....	Crepe/Rosetan	\$6,145
Merlot-28	18 Gauge	Burgundy	Velvet/Champagne.....	\$5,445
Bailey-28.....	Select Hardwood.....	Light.....	Linwood/Khaki	\$4,395

Rental Caskets

Weldon-27	Sel. Hardwood Veneer	Dark.....	Crepe/Rosetan	\$1,595
Parkside.....	Sel. Hardwood Veneer	Medium	Crepe/Rosetan	\$1,445
Fireside	Solid Oak	Medium	Crepe/Rosetan	\$1,445

Miscellaneous

*Trayview Alternative	Cardboard.....	Brown	Crepe/Ivory.....	\$475
*Oversized Cremation Tray....	Cardboard.....	Brown	None	\$250
Cremation Tray.....	Cardboard.....	Brown	None	\$175

*Suitable for Green Burial

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In most areas of the country, state or local law does not require that you buy a container to surround the casket in the grave. However, many cemeteries require that you have such a container so that the grave will not sink in. Either a grave liner or burial vault will satisfy these requirements.

Reinforced Concrete Vaults

Olympian Bronze.....	48 Oz. Solid Bronze – Reinforced Concrete.....	\$31,695
Olympian Steel.....	18 Ga. Stainless Steel – Reinforced Concrete.....	\$25,995
Bronze.....	Bronze Lined Concrete.....	\$5,995
Lydian	Copper Lined Concrete.....	\$5,695
Athenian	Stainless Steel Lined Concrete.....	\$4,195
Patrician	Lustratech Plastic Lined Concrete.....	\$2,895
Phoenix	Fiberlon Lined Concrete	\$2,395
Titan.....	Durapreme Lined Concrete.....	\$2,095

Concrete Box

Concrete Grave Box.....	Non-Sealing.....	\$1,375
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Steel Burial Vaults

7 Gauge.....	Galvanized Steel	\$4,245
10 Gauge	Galvanized Steel	\$3,445
12 Gauge	Galvanized Steel	\$2,945
12 Gauge	Non-Galvanized Steel.....	\$2,295

Ground Level Individual Mausoleums

Individual Mausoleum.....	4" Mahogany Granite Cover/Titan Vault.....	\$9,445
Individual Mausoleum.....	4" Georgia Gray Granite Cover/Titan Vault.....	\$6,695
Individual Mausoleum.....	Standard Deluxe Terrazzo/Titan Vault.....	\$6,695
Individual Mausoleum.....	Standard Terrazzo/Titan Vault	\$5,695

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Bronze Urns

Milan	Can be personalized	\$1,475
Bronze Chest	Can be personalized	\$725
Painted Bronze Chest		\$475

Hardwood Urns

Hand-Turned Wooden		\$845
Bradbury Pecan	Can be personalized	\$825
Halia	Can be personalized	\$795
Bubinga with Cross	Can be personalized	\$745
Premier Vertical	Can be personalized	\$675
Walnut Memento Chest (keepsake medallion included)	Can be personalized	\$645
Mountain Scene	Can be personalized	\$625
American	Can be personalized	\$545
Bailey Memento Chest	Can be personalized	\$495
Bordeaux		\$425
Chambord		\$425
Easton		\$395
Manchester Oak	Can be personalized	\$245
Slate Gray		\$195
Dark Scatter		\$175
Eco Scattering		\$95

Metal Urns

Ashen Pewter	Can be personalized	\$495
Grecian Crimson	Can be personalized	\$475
Cooper Burnished Gold	Can be personalized	\$395
Cooper Charcoal	Can be personalized	\$395
Monterey Series	Can be personalized	\$395

Glass Urns

Gothic Amethyst		\$1,195
Viridian Sky		\$325

Cloisonne Urns

Blue Butterfly Cloisonne		\$595
Ivory Pearl Cloisonne		\$595

Companion Urns

Together at Sunset Companion Urn	Can be personalized	\$1,175
Natural Stone Companion Urn	Can be personalized	\$895

Pottery & Stone Urns

Ebony Capsule with Wheat Detail.....	\$795
Cameo Bell Jar	\$795
Longworth Angel Falls.....	Can be personalized.....\$695
Madrid	\$595
Mallorca	\$575
Celestial Eventide	Can be personalized.....\$545
Celestial Moonlit.....	Can be personalized.....\$545
Cashmere Gray	Can be personalized.....\$545
Natural Stone.....	\$525
Rock Salt.....	\$495
Barrel Fired Pottery.....	\$445

Urn Vaults

Cultured Marble Tall Bronze Lined	\$1,495
Cultured Marble Tall Stainless Steel Lined	\$1,345
Cultured Marble Tall	\$795
Cultured Marble Standard	\$695

Keepsake Urns

Transcending Memories.....	\$845
Jefferson Mahogany.....	\$495
Celestial Eventide / Moonlit	\$375
Cameo Bell Jar Keepsake.....	\$345
Ashen Pewter	Can be personalized.....\$325
Natural Stone Companion.....	\$245
Blue Butterfly Miniature.....	\$245
Bordeaux / Chambord.....	\$195
Cooper Burnished Gold / Cooper Charcoal Miniature.....	\$195
Songbird.....	Can be personalized.....\$195
Metal Rose.....	Can be personalized.....\$175
Madrid	\$145
Metal Heart.....	Can be personalized.....\$145
Natural Stone.....	\$125
Rock Salt.....	\$125
Grecian Crimson	Can be personalized.....\$70
Metal Keepsake.....	Can be personalized.....\$70

Personalization

Urn Pendant.....	Includes personalization.....\$125
Custom	\$95
Textured (3D) Printing	\$95
Name & Dates.....	\$85
Clip-Art.....	\$50

MERCHANDISE

Printed Materials

Enlarged Photo – Small 8"x10" (on foam board)	\$20
Enlarged Photo – Medium 16"x20" (on foam board)	\$50
Enlarged Photo – Large 24"x36" (on foam board)	\$80
Laminated Bookmarks (set of 4)	\$10
Memorial Folders (set-up and printing of up to 150 folders)	\$195
Additional folders - \$50 per 100	
Memorial Folder Inserts (set-up and printing for up to 150 inserts)	\$75
Additional inserts - \$50 per 100	
Prayer or Memory Cards (set-up and printing of 100 cards)	\$95
Additional prayer cards - \$50 per 100	
Register Book & Acknowledgement Cards	\$60 to \$250

Casket Personalization

Casket Corners	each \$40
Casket Medallion (large)	each \$40
Casket Panels	starting at \$150
LifeStories Cross (additional)	\$40
LifeStories Crucifix (additional)	\$40
Military Casket Panels	\$325

Memorial Keepsakes

Crucifix (additional)	\$25
Keepsake Casket Medallion (small, includes engraving)	each \$35
Legacy Touch Keepsakes (fingerprint jewelry)	starting at \$175
Orthodox Icon & Crucifix	\$65

Military

American Flag (additional)	\$130
Veterans Wood Flag Encasement	\$150

Monuments

Final Dates on Monuments	starting at \$445
Monuments	as selected
Life's QR Code – Small	\$250
Life's QR Code – Large	\$275
Temporary Grave Marker (requires permission of cemetery)	\$25

Shipping

Air Tray (required for airline shipment of casketed remains)	\$295
Combination Shipping Container (required for airline shipment of remains)	\$295

MERCHANDISE (CONTINUED)

Video Tributes

Live Streaming/Recording of Services (service in mortuary chapel)	\$195
Additional copies - \$25 per copy	
Recording of Service (at remote location)	\$125
Additional copies - \$25 per copy	
Life Tribute Memorial Video (photo slideshow)	starting at \$150
Hardcover Book of pictures – starting at \$75	
Additional copies - \$25 per copy	

CASH ADVANCES

For your convenience, we provide assistance in arranging and advancing the fees to the outside parties listed below.

Honorarium for Clergy	starting at \$250
Honorarium for Accompanist	starting at \$175
Honorarium for Vocalist	starting at \$175
Funeral Escorts	starting at \$350
Certified Death Certificates	each \$20
Death Certificates Processing Fee	starting at \$25
Cemetery Tent & Equipment	\$490
Additional Saturday Charge for Vault or Tent	\$190
Additional Sunday/Holiday Charge for Vault or Tent	\$525
Additional After 4:00 pm Charge	\$200
Cremation Tent & Equipment (without urn vault)	\$675
Cremation Tent & Equipment (with urn vault)	\$490
Coroner Cremation Permit Fee	\$50
Limousine/Executive Van	starting at \$375
Altar Servers	each \$10 - \$20
Airline Charges	
Cemetery Charges	
Flowers	
Newspaper Notices	
Special Musician Fee	
Sound Technician Fee	
Hairdresser Fee	
Sales Tax	
Other Items as Requested	

PROVISIONS FOR PAYMENT AND ESTATE CHARGES

The death of someone you love, a devastating human experience, can impact judgment. We believe in the importance of celebrating the life of a loved one and will assist in any way we can in arranging an appropriate service to meet your individual needs. However, it is important to be realistic with funeral expenditures, as it is with any expenditure. We will strive to help you carry out your wishes within your financial means.

Our provisions for payment are:

- 25% of total funeral bill *or* total of cash advances *whichever is greater* (to be paid at time of arrangement conference)
- Social security number of buyer is required if payment in full is not received at arrangement conference.
- Balance is due in 30 days.

A late charge of 1.5% per month will be added to all balances not paid within 30 days from the date of death.

If the funeral bill is not paid within 60 days from the date of death and an estate is filed, a \$500 estate filing fee will be added to the contract at the time of filing the estate with the county. It is also understood that all financial arrangements are made with the buyer and not with the estate of the deceased.

For your convenience, we accept cash, check, American Express, Visa, MasterCard & Discover Card.

VARIABLE TERM PRENEED GUARANTEE

If an individual chooses to pre-pay a funeral before need, Downing & Lahey offers a variable term preneed guarantee.

- Basic guarantee.....1 year from time of contract (No extra cost)
- Good guarantee.....Up to 5 years (5% of services and merchandise cost)
- Better guarantee.....Up to 10 years (10% of services and merchandise cost)
- Best guarantee.....Lifetime (15% of services and merchandise cost)

These extra funds go towards covering the increase in services and merchandise costs that will occur in the future. If the extra funds are not needed, they will be refunded to the estate of the deceased or to the state of Kansas if the deceased was on state assistance.



WHY WE GATHER

The Importance of Ceremony

Did you know having a visitation, funeral, memorial service, life celebration or a burial service is an essential part of the healing process after a loss? These events hold great importance, offering a meaningful opportunity for the bereaved to come together and find comfort in one another's company while experiencing similar emotions. Numerous studies by grief experts have shown the act of ceremony positively benefits the family, friends and even coworkers who may have shared connections with the loved one.

Having a ceremony:

1. Helps the bereaved acknowledge the reality of their loved one's passing, which can initiate the first steps of converting an ongoing relationship into cherished memories.
2. Provides a central gathering place for family and friends, enabling them to come together and share their grief, finding comfort in each other's presence.
3. Creates a safe environment that fosters a sense of community and social support, encouraging individuals to be vulnerable and express their emotions freely.
4. Offers a sense of continuity and hope by allowing others to come to terms with their own grief and initiating their own unique healing process.

Every person deserves to be honored and celebrated, regardless of the scale or simplicity of the occasion. Gathering during times of loss is an instinctual human response. **Coming together not only provides emotional support but also helps establish a supportive network for family, friends, and coworkers.** It is through this shared experience of grief, as well as the opportunity to reminisce about stories and memories, that the healing journey can commence.

We are here to support you and provide gentle guidance as we work together to create a ceremony that holds deep meaning and significance. This ceremony will play a vital role in embarking on the path to healing, fostering a sense of closure and remembrance.



East Wichita Location



West Wichita Location

At Downing & Lahey, we are honored to support families with compassionate care and comprehensive services during their time of need. Our dedicated funeral directors and staff provide assistance with the following:

24/7 Availability – Our experienced team is here for you every day of the year, ensuring support whenever you need it.

Professional Guidance – Full-service assistance from our knowledgeable funeral directors and staff.

Transportation Services – Local, national, and international transfer of your loved one with the utmost care and respect.

Expert Preparation – Complete preparation of the deceased to honor their memory.

Obituary Assistance – Thoughtful support in crafting and publishing a meaningful tribute.

On-Site Cremation – Convenient crematory services performed at our East location, available to all families we serve—no matter which location you choose.

Cemetery Coordination – Seamless collaboration with cemeteries to ensure all arrangements are handled with care.

Honorarium Services – Preparation and distribution of honorariums on your behalf.

Veteran Honors – Coordination of military honors and services to recognize your loved one's service.

Personalized Services – Visitation and funeral services held at our chapel, your place of worship, or a location of your choosing.

Floral Arrangements – Coordination of floral tributes and delivery.

Aftercare Support – Continued guidance and resources to help you navigate life after loss.



At Downing & Lahey, we are committed to providing compassionate, professional service that honors your loved one and supports your family.

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