

# G M SHARP

INDEPENDENT FAMILY FUNERAL SERVICE



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*Independent Family Funeral Service*

- DIGNIFIED & Caring Funerals
- ENTIRELY FAMILY RUN & OWNED
- FUNERAL PLANNING EXPERTS

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## Introduction

It is a rare privilege to be a funeral director, to stand in a sensitive position at such a crucial time, in the midst of a bereaved family, knowing that the quality of our service will help that family through the most difficult times in their lives. G M Sharp has branches in Pocklington, Driffield and Market Weighton whilst covering local areas and surrounding villages. As a family-run business, we can easily provide our service without the larger business constraints that multi-national funeral corporations face. We are well known for our compassionate and personal attitude and highly trained funeral directors.

We pride ourselves in the care and attention we provide to families going through difficult times. These values have been passed down to the second and third generations of our family.

We aim to offer bereaved families truly personal services tailored to their individual needs. This is why we don't work set hours or days: we want to be there to help twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, to offer every type of service available in the most dignified way, at a price that is fair and honest.

Our long-standing establishment within the local community brings a great sense of pride to everyone involved. Generations of families have come to trust in our professional service that we can give their loved ones in our funeral homes.





## The Role of Funeral Director

Planning a funeral can seem like a daunting task, but our friendly and experienced staff will ease you through the process and explain the expansive range of services that we can provide.

Our family will make all the necessary arrangements on your behalf, including the arrangement of crematoria, cemeteries, churches, tributes and all other third party requirements. We aim to take all stress and pressure away from you and your family, so you can grieve in as little worry and concern as possible.

### Before the Funeral

- Transferring the deceased to the funeral home
- Providing facilities for viewing
- Looking after all arrangements and family questions while guiding the family through the options available and ensuring your wishes and those of the deceased are reflected in the funeral arrangements;
- Dealing with all necessary paperwork that may be required for the funeral and presenting it, complete and legal, to the relevant authority
- Guiding the family through the death registration process
- Confirming funeral details to the family, looking after any and all enquiries and providing a written estimate of costs incurred

You may ask what is the role of the modern-day funeral director, we hope to answer this below and on the opposite page.

The role of a funeral director is a broad service encompassing practical organisation, support and guidance to the family and liaison with a wide range of other organisations and services to ensure the funeral is properly arranged.

Taking lead from your instructions, this might include:-

## The Funeral Service

- Arriving on time, at the agreed location, with clean and correct vehicles for the funeral to start
- An experienced and knowledgeable funeral director to look after your family and further-mourners, administer the funeral, and provide guidance during the funeral ceremony
- Looking after any musical requests, service sheet delivery or photo presentation.
- Caring for floral tributes delivered to our premises prior to the funeral, making sure these are displayed as requested during the funeral and returned (if applicable) to the correct address
- Ensuring a stringent set of checks take place with correct documentation and identification being present
- Accepting donations for a nominated charity







## After the Funeral

- Helping to arrange for ashes to be scattered or preserved in a memorial casket
- Helping to arrange a suitable memorial (such as a headstone) following the burial
- Follow up with your family to answer any final questions if needed

## A Final Note On Funeral Directors

Funeral directors are also there to provide support and guidance in advance of a death. For example, they can provide information on how to arrange a pre-paid funeral plan and discuss ideas and options you may have for your own funeral, helping you to record your wishes for the future.

## Professional Charges                      £1100

Our professional charges include:

- Attendance by a funeral director to deal with all matters
- High standard funeral homes always containing chapels, so your loved one can return to, and rest, in the town they called home
- Help with death registration and liaising with the coroner (when applicable)
- Seeing to the completion of all relevant paperwork, and ensuring timely delivery to the relevant departments
- Full and clear advice on services we offer
- Liaising with all relevant parties when arranging the time and date of the funeral and confirming this to the family along with a written estimate and confirmation
- An experienced funeral director on the day to ensure the funeral runs smoothly
- Looking after any announcements in local and national newspapers and dealing with any enquiries
- All necessary phone and postage charges
- Advising, booking (where applicable) and receiving floral tributes for the coffin
- Receiving, handling and forwarding donations
- Care and preparation of the deceased for viewing
- Provision of 4 bearers (or dignified lifting equipment should, for any reason, the carrying of a coffin be prohibited)

Total in-house costings example:

Professional Fees	£1100
Hearse	£225
Transfer	£225
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£1550</b>

+ Plus your choice of coffin (Starting from £400)



## Church, Burial & Cremation Costings

We deal with a multitude of faiths, Churches, cemetery administrations and associated-organisations who all have different funeral charges. As such there is no accurate set price to pass onto our clients. As an estimate it is often £300-£500 to have a church service

followed by the cost of cremation (often £800-£1000) or burial (often £800-£2000). Please take these figures as a very loose guideline and approach us for an accurate quote to suit your specific needs.

### Direct Cremation

£ 1650

The is simplest service we provide, including everything needed for a direct cremation. The cremation is entirely private and completely unattended other than by the Funeral Conductor. Viewings of the deceased are unavailable when this service is requested.

### Attended Direct Cremation

£ 1999

A small number of mourners may be present at the crematorium. The coffin will enter the chapel to a predetermined piece of music then be placed on the catafalque and the curtains will either close or remain open as the mourners leave the

## Cremation Costs

York Crematorium, Bishopthorpe	From £895
East Riding Crematorium, Octon	From £995
Haltemprice Crematorium, Willerby	From £909

**Private Transfer To Chapel Of Rest** **From £225**

The provision of a private ambulance or discreet hearse (estate car with specialist deck conversion) 24 hours a day, 365 days a year with trained staff members wearing correct P.P.E. and carrying specialist industry-leading equipment to a private house, hospital, nursing home or hospice within 25 miles of our chapel\*

**Coffin** **From £400**

Coffin as selected by you, including quality lined interior or funeral gown, handles and engraved plate. Please see our coffins section for further details

\*All mileage is calculated to 25 miles from the chapel of rest. After 25 miles a £1.25 per mile charge may apply.

## Additional Fees To Consider

### Embalming

From £80

This will always be discussed with the family first and charged when applicable.

### Doctors fees

£164

This is the total fee charged by two doctors for completion of medical certificates 4 and 5 needed for the cremation of an individual to legally happen in the United Kingdom (This fee is only applicable in cremation services).

### Repatriation

POA

Additional charges may apply over 150 miles and internationally.

### Grave Preparation (Full Burial)

£450

This is the charge for grave digging services in churches and cemeteries that do not have grave digging included in their cost.

### Grave Preparation (Ashes Interment)

£50

This is the charge for preparing a grave space for an ashes interment in a cemetery or churchyard.





## Hearse & Car Options

### Our Fleet Hearse

£ 225

An immaculate specialist Hearse, delivered in our traditional black livery. Our Hearses' are specially designed with panoramic glass roofs and interior lighting in order to maintain the best visual aspect, in all weathers and at all times of the day.

### Horse Drawn Hearse

2 Horses: £ 550

4 Horses: £ 1000

The horses are immaculately kept under the strictest animal welfare standards. They pull a specially restored funeral carriage.

### Motorcycle Hearse

From £ 810

This truly reflects a lifestyle and/or passion. A specialist fleet of converted authentic motorcycle hearses can be brought in. Available models include Triumph, Suzuki and Harley Davidson, all adjoined to a glass-enclosed side-car hearse.

### Funeral Cars

From £ 180

Immaculately looked after Jaguar and Volvo limousines\*, each with a capacity for up to seven family members and the supplied driver.

\*All hearses are supplied to 25 miles (mileage charge then applies)

\* In addition, when available, we have access to a wide variety of secondary fleets, including vintage cars, 4 x 4's, vintage buses and Rolls Royce saloons. The availability and varying nature of these fleets means we will happily discuss and estimate the cost on an individual basis.

## Our In-House Coffin Options

Below are our three in-house coffin options, further coffins available are displayed on the following pages. All coffins include a quality lining or gown, where appropriate, as well as handles and identification plate.



### The Minster

A premium oak veneered coffin, light stained and finished with casket handles, a double raised lid and panelled sides.

£600



**The Whitby**

**£500**

A traditional oak veneered coffin presented in a medium oak stain with lid beading.



**The Amble**

**£400**

A simple and dignified light-oak effect coffin.

## Other Coffin Options

We can supply a range of quality coffins in a variety of styles. These are made from a number of materials designed to meet all requirements.



**The Lincoln**

**£450**

A simple mahogany veneered coffin.



**The Warwick**

**£750**

A light stain oak veneered coffin featuring casket handles, raised lid and double-side beading.



**Valentino (Oak)**

**£1500**

A unique high quality coffin supplied with up to 6 wooden keepsake hearts, individually engraved with a name or title.



**Artiste**

**£950**

A coffin as unique as your loved one. Choose your colour or wood finish followed by text and imagery to be engraved into this coffin at no further fee.



### The Last Supper

£1250

A premium two-tone oak coffin depicting The Last Supper.



### The Buckingham

£900

A Solid oak coffin featuring casket handles a raised lid and panelled side.



### The Brunel

£2000

A two-tone premium oak coffin finished in piano gloss with a raised lid and oyster panelling.



### The Churchill

£2200

A truly premium solid oak coffin presented in a honey-oak finish (handles as shown for burial only).



### The Sandringham

£900

A solid medium stain mahogany coffin featuring casket handles a raised lid and panelled sides.



### The Richmond

£700

A dark stained, mahogany-veneered coffin; featuring routed-panel sides and a raised lid.



**The Modern**

**£500**

A contemporary traditionally shaped coffin available in various pastel colours.



**Valentino (White)**

**£1500**

A unique high quality coffin supplied with up to 6 wooden keepsake hearts, individually engraved with a name or title.



**The Windermere**

**£650**

A classic and simple limed oak veneer coffin with double raised lid.



**The Kensington**

**£980**

A simple yet highly traditional solid oak coffin.



**The Forester**

**£550**

An eco-friendly pine coffin with wooden handles, made from all natural wood – a perfect choice for the eco-conscious individual.



**Cardboard (Brown)**

**£400**

A high quality cardboard coffin manufactured from corrugated cardboard. A sturdy and dignified alternative to traditional wooden styles.



### English Willow (Natural)

£750

An environmentally friendly wicker coffin available in natural, white, green or brown in a basket style.



### English Willow (Green)

£750

An environmentally friendly wicker coffin available in natural, white, green or brown in a basket style.



### English Willow (Brown)

£750

An environmentally friendly wicker coffin available in natural, white, green or brown in a traditional style.



### English Willow (White)

£750

An environmentally friendly wicker coffin available in natural, white, green or brown in a traditional style.



### Cardboard (White)

£400

A high quality cardboard coffin manufactured from corrugated cardboard. A sturdy and dignified alternative to traditional wooden styles.



### Cardboard (Green)

£400

A high quality cardboard coffin manufactured from corrugated cardboard. A sturdy and dignified alternative to traditional wooden styles.

## Custom Coffins

Our motto is “As Individual As You” and that perfectly sums up the way we work. We know that everyone is unique. These coffins provide a personalised and unrivalled design for each of our customers.

Stock Photo	£750
Personalised Design/Imagery	£850



Flying Scotsman



Poppy



Bowls



Hayfield



In the Garden



Golf





## Scatter Tubes

£25

A cost effective and individual container to dry store or scatter your loved ones ashes from. Price £25 per piece, variety of designs available.



Ocean Sunset



Roses



Bluebell



Dove



Sunflowers



Autumn

## Caskets & Urns

Designed to keep your loved ones ashes safe.  
All shown on the following pages are meant for  
indoor use only. If buried in soil or displayed  
outside they will disintegrate over time.



### Bamboo

Genuine imported bamboo.

£50



### Arborform (Onyx)

Created to depict brown Onyx - a gemstone  
associated with healing.

£160



### Mendip

Handmade from Somerset willow.

£95



### Oasis

Handmade from Somerset willow.

£75



### Swarovski Heart

Featuring a Swarovski crystal motif in the shape of a heart.

£170



### Arboform

Available in white or black with a range of collar designs.

£140



**Ceramic Teardrop**

**£300**

Fashioned by hand on a potter's wheel and finished in a high gloss bronze paint.



**Ceramic Heart**

**£280**

Tastefully divided with a silver heart motif.



**Steel Globe**

**£440**

A modern twist on a traditional globe.



**Brass & Pearl**

**£220**

Featuring a pearl band around the body and lid.



### Steel (Forest)

Available in a range of designs.

£160



### Steel (Meadow)

Available in a range of designs.

£160



### Bologna Edition

Available in a number of wood finishes.

£400



### Padova Edition

Available in a number of wood finishes.

£420



### Bede

A solid wood interment casket.

£45



### Newton

A solid wood interment casket.

£45



### The Celeste

£330

This ceramic urn is in the shape of a teardrop and features a small heart insert. It is finished in a glossy glaze.



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## Floral Tributes

We work alongside talented and experienced local florists who we personally know and trust to bring you a truly memorable floral tribute.

Any initial ideas or floral arrangements can be discussed with us from the very large to the very small and individual. This also includes any flowers you wish not to be included.

We will be happy to guide you through this process and arrange all floral tributes on your behalf.

Please find examples in the following pages...

All Colours and flower variants are interchangeable but availability will be dependent on the season. Please note Rose and Lilly based arrangements command a higher price more often than not, especially around the holidays.



## Full Coffin Tops

A range of large statement pieces taking up the majority of the coffin top. These make a lovely addition to any coffin.



Purple & White

£325



Vibrant

£350



Rose & Lily

£450



Pink & Mauve

£400



Red Rose

£375

## Single-Ended Sprays

Examples of single ended sprays. These tend to measure approximately two foot in length. Prices range from £80 to £140 with the rose and lily pieces commanding the higher price point of this bracket.



Vibrant



Pink



White



Purple & White



Red



Orange



White Lily



In Loving Memory of  
My Dear Sister

## Double-Ended Sprays

The traditional floral tribute for a coffin top. These sprays are clearly visible, while not being overly commanding. These tend to measure approximately four foot in length. Prices range from £180 to £240 with the rose and lily pieces commanding the higher price point of this bracket.



Rose & Lily



Yellow



Red



White



Vibrant



Pink & Mauve

## Tied Sheaves

A less formal arrangement which can be placed into a vase following the funeral service.



White Lily

£80



Vibrant

£65



Classic

£60



Mixed

£75



Pink & Purple

£55

## Wreaths

A selection of wreath styles. These can be placed on top of the coffin or as an accompanying piece.



Classic White

£75



Vibrant

£70



Purple & White

£70



Red

£70



Pink

£70



White Lily

£85

## Roses

A beautiful arrangement of roses into hearts – available singularly or as three. Displayed as red but colours can be changed accordingly.



Red Rose Heart

(Med) £130

(Lar) £170



Red Rose Trio

£435

## Posies

A selection of posy styles. An ideal small singular tribute or can be combined to make a larger coffin top floral tribute.



Yellow

£45



Pink

£45



Pink & White

£55



Pastel

£65

## Cushions & Crosses

Can be made up in a formal blocked or informal loose style using most colours.



Classic White

£150



Pink & Mauve

£155



White Cross (4ft)

Blocked Effect

£180



Purple Cross (4ft)

Loose Effect

£180





## Children's Tributes

Examples of what are readily available. However, designs can be personalised to suit individual family needs.



Teddy Bear

£175



Angel

£125



White Heat/Bear

£125

## Sport Tributes

A floral tribute recognising the sport they loved. A wide variety of tributes are available which we are happy to discuss with you.



Tennis Racket

£145



Cricket Bat

£95



Golf Bag

£135



Football

£130



Football Shirt

£195



Rugby Ball

£125

## Special Tributes

A unique floral arrangement recognising the individual. A wide variety of tributes are available which we are happy to discuss with you.



Horseshoe

£120



Car

£175



Gates of Heaven

£150



Dog

£225



Anchor

£150

## Floral Letters

Available in formal blocked or informal loose styles in a variety of colours and styles. Lettering can be personalised to individual needs.



Classic White

(Per letter) £50



Orange

(Per letter) £50



Yellow & White

(Per letter) £50

## Grave Memorials

A solid wood memorial with a custom engraved plaque, designed as a temporary marker prior to installation of the memorial headstone.



Temporary oak marker with engraved plate

£50





## Order Of Service

We work alongside talented local printers to ensure a bespoke tribute for your loved one. Numbers and styles can be selected as is appropriate, below are simple quantity estimates;

Single fold on white card with up to two images (Each) £1.50

Booklet with insert up to five images (Each) £2.50

Full custom booklet with personalised artwork and up to five images

Booklet with unlimited images (Each) £3.50

Full custom booklet with personalised artwork and unlimited images

All service sheets are bespoke to the individual with title and design options included but not limited to:

- In loving memory of...
- A service to celebrate the life of...
- A service of thanksgiving for the life of...
- Pictures and graphic illustrations (if appropriate)
- Dates or years (for example "1st January 1960 - 6th April 2020" or "1960-2020")

\*All orders of 50 and under are subject to £25.00 set up fee

\*\* Booklet 12 pages or less

## Newspaper Announcements

When appropriate we will talk you through all the options, work out the appropriate wording and place a newspaper announcement on your behalf in a newspaper of your choosing. Pricing can greatly vary, the prices shown are simple estimates taken as a current average.

Local Newspaper

From £90

National Newspaper

From £500

## Obituaries

Full funeral obituary following service (Wolds Weekly) £30 and name taking at church or crematorium £25.

Should you wish to draft your own announcement there is space on the next page for you to do so.



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01430  
872 468

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Name  
surname followed by forename(s)

Maiden name if applicable

Smith, Jayne Ann  
Nee Jones  
of High farm, York

A geo-tag can help place an individual

Passed peacefully on January 12<sup>th</sup> in Hull Royal Infirmary aged 72 years.

The location of passing is common information to include

Beloved wife of the late Ron, much loved mother to James and Tom, grandma to Sarah, Josh and Janet and great grandma to Ted. Loving sister of Brian and friend to many.

Age inclusion is a good way of identifying the individual to the reader.

Funeral service to take place on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February, 12:30pm at the East Riding Crematorium, Octon.

If a 'public event' funeral details should include time, location and date.

Family flowers only please, please wear a bright piece of clothing. Donations gratefully received in lieu of flowers will be forwarded to the British Heart Foundation.

It is common to include funeral director details. This is for readers with further enquiries, who would like to send flowers (if applicable) or donations before the funeral and for any further matters.

Funeral enquiries to GM Sharp Funeral Directors, Driffield. Telephone 00000 000000



## Headstones

For over a decade we have worked in conjunction with J. Rotherham memorials to provide a truly fitting headstone or gravestone that will serve as a lasting monument to the character, spirit, achievements and beliefs of that cherished individual, to be appreciated by family and friends for generations to come.

We know how important it is for you to be absolutely satisfied with the options you make when having a headstone made, from the choice

of stone and design to deciding on memorial inscriptions that will capture and reflect your exact sentiments.

It is our absolute commitment to our customers that the course of commissioning a memorial stone will be as gentle and seamless a process as possible, from initial design consultations to manufacture, delivery and installation of our gravestones, plaques and memorials.

## Memorial Jewellery

The defining characteristic of our keepsake jewellery is the integration of visible ashes into the design of every piece. To ensure your peace of mind, we always make our process of ash-integration available for you to observe. With this collection, we wish to provide you with the beauty and elegance that you will cherish along with your memories.

The jewellery itself is produced in sterling silver with rhodium-plated finish, for a luxurious white gold radiance. It is also available in 14kt and 18kt gold and can be set with diamonds. The ash integration is completed by using a special

clear or coloured resin, which results in a shiny-transparent finish, giving a truly personal and unique product.

The product is built to withstand every day wear and tear and is supplied with a year's warranty. We offer this product to any interested individual, whether we have conducted a funeral on your behalf or not. For obligation-free advice or any further information including a full product range and pricing please get in contact with us by phone, email or by visiting a branch and we will be happy to guide you through the process.



## Music

In today's society music plays a large role in the lives of many. We think it can also play a large role upon someone's death. Should you wish, we can incorporate meaningful musical tributes into your loved ones service at no extra cost, there is no need to supply us with music as we will access it digitally.

We would advise a minimum of three pieces in a full service....

- A piece to come in to (processional music)
- 1st reflective piece or Hymn
- 2nd reflective piece or Hymn
- A piece to leave to (recessional music)

These pieces may be religious, instrumental, classical or modern and should reflect the individual. Please note, in certain religious venues we may have to request permission for less-orthodox pieces.







