

The Funeral Consumers Alliance of Eastern Massachusetts (FCAEM)

Non-profit, Non-sectarian
Incorporated in Massachusetts in 1962

What is the FCAEM?

The Funeral Consumers Alliance is a non-profit, non-sectarian, voluntary educational organization. Founded as the Memorial Society of Greater Boston in 1962, our organization joined dozens of societies and concerned citizens across the country to fight for the Federal Trade Commission Rule that now regulates the funeral industry on your behalf. Passed in 1984 and revised in 1994, this Rule requires that Funeral Directors provide you with price information you need over the phone, or give you a price list if you request one in person.

Plan Ahead

Death is something that most people don't want to think about. But, when a death does occur, there are many important decisions to be made. These are decisions which should not have to be made at such a difficult and painful time. To ease the burden on family and friends, there are things that you can do now and plans that can be made today.

FCAEM:

- ◆ Provides members information about laws, practices and forms pertaining to death, burial, cremation, anatomical gifts, and related subjects.
- ◆ Helps you plan for your funeral while you are healthy and able to make decisions that are right for you and your family.
- ◆ Provides reciprocity with other Funeral Consumer Alliances.
- ◆ Maintains information on funeral directors who are willing to cooperate with your choices.
- ◆ Monitors legislation pertaining to funeral practices to ensure that freedom of choice in arrangements is preserved.
- ◆ Provides speakers on request.

Members Receive:

- ◆ Assorted brochures on preplanning, prepaying organ donation, living wills, etc.
- ◆ Information on price ranges in your area.
- ◆ Massachusetts health care proxy.
- ◆ Preplanning forms that help you specify the funeral arrangements you prefer.
- ◆ Forms that help you gather information your survivors will need when you die.
- ◆ An annual Newsletter.
- ◆ An invitation to our annual meeting.

To become a lifetime member of the Funeral Consumers Alliance of Eastern Massachusetts, fill out the application on the reverse side and mail it along with a \$30.00 membership fee to FCAEM. This is a one-time family membership fee. Additional fundraising is by donation.

By becoming a member of FCAEM you will be joining a million families in the USA and Canada who have made the decision to preplan. This Funeral Consumers Alliance is one of almost 200 area alliances in North America that provide consumers information on after death care options.

FCAEM is an affiliate of the national Funeral Consumers Alliance (FCA). FCA works on a national scale to monitor the funeral industry, advocate for federal and state policy, and develop resources for use by consumers and affiliates across the United States. FCAEM encourages members to support both organizations.

Website: www.fcaemass.org

Email: fcaemass@gmail.com

**24 hour answering machine
617-859-7990**

A Funeral Consumers Alliance member will return your call within a week.

**Funeral Consumers Alliance of
Eastern Massachusetts**

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Family members (living in the household):

Name _____

Relationship _____

Name _____

Relationship _____

What is your primary reason for joining?

Signature _____

Date _____

Enclose \$30.00 one-time membership fee to:

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Promoting a consumer's
right to choose dignified,
meaningful, and
affordable after-death
care.

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