



Bereavement Services

Fees and Charges

Effective from 1st April 2025

CEMETERIES

INTERMENT (During normal working hours)

Adult (18 years of age or over) Depth for up to 2 burials. Does not include Exclusive Rights of Burial.	£1064.00
Child up to 18 years of age (including still-born & NVF) Does not include Exclusive Rights of Burial.	No charge
Additional fee for grave taken out of rotation if Exclusive Right of Burial not pre-purchased.	£93.00
Cremated remains in any grave. Does not include Exclusive Rights of Burial.	£307.00
Late arrival for interment (charge for every 15 minutes)	£70.00

INTERMENT (Outside of normal working hours – only permitted in exceptional circumstances) – No interments will take place on Bank Holidays.

Interment between 2pm-4.00pm Mon-Thurs & 1.45pm – 4pm Fri	£1337.00
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NON-RESIDENT INTERMENT CHARGES

Non-resident surcharge will apply where the deceased is regarded as a non-resident of Gateshead (resided outside the Borough of Gateshead) at the time of their death. Exemptions apply in circumstances where the deceased had moved to receive specialist care which was not available in the Borough of Gateshead; the death occurred within 12 months of moving out of the Borough; or the deceased was a serving member of the armed forces living in temporary accommodation whose next of kin still reside in the Borough.

Full Interment (Deceased is Resident and Exclusive Right of Burial purchaser non-resident)	£1064.00
Full Interment (Deceased non-resident and Exclusive Right of Burial purchaser resident)	£1064.00
Full Interment (Deceased and Exclusive Right of Burial purchaser are both non-resident)	£2128.00

Interment of Cremated Remains (Deceased is Resident and Exclusive Right of Burial purchaser non-resident)	£307.00
Interment of Cremated Remains (Deceased non-resident and Exclusive Right of Burial purchaser resident)	£307.00
Interment of Cremated Remains (Deceased and Exclusive Right of Burial purchaser are both non-resident)	£614.00

EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF BURIAL

Purchasing the Exclusive Rights of Burial gives the purchaser complete control over further burials in the grave (if space allows) and over any memorials that maybe placed on the grave (following submission of an application to Gateshead Council). The Exclusive Rights of Burial does not grant ownership of the grave. The period of the Exclusive Rights of Burial in total must not exceed 90 years.

Full grave (purchased at time of burial or in advance) – 50 years	£915.00
Full grave (purchased at time of burial or in advance) – 60 years	£1098.00
Full grave (purchased at time of burial or in advance) – 70 years	£1281.00
Full grave (purchased at time of burial or in advance) – 80 years	£1462.00
Full grave (purchased at time of burial or in advance) – 90 years	£1648.00
Cremated remains section (purchased at time of burial or in advance) – 50 years	£535.00
Cremated remains section (purchased at time of burial or in advance) – 60 years	£641.00
Cremated remains section (purchased at time of burial or in advance) – 70 years	£748.00
Cremated remains section (purchased at time of burial or in advance) – 80 years	£856.00
Cremated remains section (purchased at time of burial or in advance) – 90 years	£961.00
Children’s section grave – 50 years	£535.00
Children’s section grave – 60 years	£641.00
Children’s section grave – 70 years	£748.00
Children’s section grave – 80 years	£856.00
Children’s section grave – 90 years	£961.00

NOTE: ALL NEW GRAVES MUST BE PURCHASED AT THE TIME OF INTERMENT WITH THE EXCEPTION OF GRAVES FOR CHILDREN UP TO THE AGE OF 18 YEARS.

EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS OF BURIAL – EXTENSIONS TO LEASE

An extension to the Exclusive Rights of Burial can be purchased only on expiry of the initial lease.

The period of the Exclusive Rights of Burial in total must not exceed 90 years.

Full grave – 20 year extension	£366.00
Full grave – 30 year extension	£550.00
Full grave – 40 year extension	£732.00

Cremated remains section – 20 year extension	£214.00
Cremated remains section – 30 year extension	£320.00
Cremated remains section – 40 year extension	£428.00

Children's section grave – 20 year extension	£214.00
Children's section grave – 30 year extension	£320.00
Children's section grave – 40 year extension	£428.00

CEMETERY MEMORIALS (application to be made to Gateshead Council)

Right to erect memorial	£359.00
Additional inscription on memorial	£75.00
Replacement memorial	£86.00
Right to place a vase, tablet or flower stand that is not fixed	£37.00
Refixing of memorial to industry standard to make safe only. No material change permitted to memorial.	No charge
Renovation (includes, cleaning, repairing, regilding etc)	£53.00

KERBSTONES/BORDER SETS

Approval for kerbstones/border sets is at the discretion of the Council and will only be allowed in designated sections.

Right to erect half kerbstones on lawn section (full burials only)	£230.00
Right to erect full kerbstones or border sets on specified graves.	£459.00
Right to fix a horizontal (flat) plaque between kerbstones not exceeding 750mm x 750mm (30" x 30")	£86.00
Replacement full kerbstone	£227.00
Replacement half kerbstone	£115.00

CEMETERIES - MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES

Coffin cover – plastic (replaces vaulted graves)	£812.00
Exhumation (does not include reinterment/cremation fee)	Actual cost
Transfer of Exclusive Rights of Burial	£49.00
Use of chapel for burial (Saltwell Cemetery, Birtley). Only if available - fee in addition to interment fee. <u>Please note:</u> If a burial is to take place outside the Borough of Gateshead the Chapel is only available up to 9.30am.	£128.00
Service cancellation (less than 3 working days notice)	£219.00

CREMATORIA

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Adult (18 years of age or over)	£830.00
Child (up to 18 years of age)	Medical Referee fee only
Medical Referee Fee (payable for all cremations)	£51.00
Environmental surcharge	£60.00
Non-resident surcharge*	£45.00
Disposal in Garden of Remembrance of a person cremated elsewhere	£72.00
Witness Scattering of Cremated Remains if Cremation was carried out within Gateshead	£54.00
Witness Scattering of Cremated Remains if Cremation was carried out elsewhere	£72.00
Additional 15 minute service time at Saltwell Crematorium - only for 12 noon and 3.15pm services. Additional 15 minute service time at Birtley Crematorium – only for 2.30pm service.	£83.00
Exceeding service time by 15 minutes (charge for every 15 mins over)	£83.00
Direct Cremation (no service available)	£524.00
Direct Cremation Non-resident surcharge*	£45.00
Live Webcasting Service (Live web streaming + 7 days on demand viewing)	£61.00
Live Webcasting Service & Downloadable MP4 Video File	£85.00

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BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Each line of entry (entries must consist of either 2, 5 or 8 lines)	£45.00
Emblem or Service badge	£147.00
Family crest or coat of arms	£175.00
Token entry	Actual cost + £44.00 admin fee

OTHER MEMORIALS

Memorial wall plaque (for period of 10 years)	£582.00
Extension of memorial wall plaque or kerb plaque (for period of 10 years) on expiry of lease.	£328.00
Memorial kerb (for period of 10 years)	£1014.00
Memorial kerb/wall plaque - replacement plaque (for remainder of 10 year period)	£256.00

BEREAVEMENT SERVICES MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES

Family search (searches for children, siblings, parents and grandparents are free). All other searches will be charged. Search fee is for one name. Please note if limited information provided search fee will increase accordingly.	£45.00
Dignified disposal of body parts	50% of appropriate fee (interment or cremation)
Grave location (appointment with member of staff on site to locate grave. Graves for children, siblings, parents and grandparents are free). All other grave locations will be charged.	£49.00
Memorial bench in cemetery or crematorium (without need for base preparation) for period of 10 years*	£1654.00
Memorial bench in cemetery or crematorium (with the need for base preparation) for period of 10 years*	£2546.00
Memorial cast iron plaque on existing seat in Saltwell Park (10 years duration)*	£696.00
Renewal of 10 year lease for memorial plaque on existing seat in Saltwell Park	£441.00
Memorial benches – replacement or additional plaque	£254.00

*Please note terms and conditions on memorial bench application form.