



GENERAL PRICE LIST

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CONSUMER INFORMATION PRICE LIST

The prices set out in this general price list are effective from October 1, 2024. This list does not include prices for disbursements, such as newspaper notices, cemetery or crematorium charges, or other items and services which we may be asked by the purchaser to arrange with a third party. These items will be shown as “disbursements” or “other” on our final account to the purchaser. Our Funeral Directors will advise purchasers at the time arrangements are made, if any legal or other requirements would constitute the purchase of additional supplies or services. The prices in this general price list do not include HST.

*This corporation, George Darte Funeral Chapel Inc.,
is controlled by George Osgoode Darte III.*

PERSON IN CHARGE OF DAY-TO-DAY OPERATIONS

Funeral Director: George Darte
Telephone: 905-937-4444



INTRODUCTION TO THE GEORGE DARTE FUNERAL CHAPEL

In 1911, John Patterson, a builder of the Welland Canal, began a funeral business in Welland with his two sons, Harold and Gerald. John also partnered with his son-in-law, George Darté, and opened a funeral home in Port Colborne.

In 1927, George Darté sold the business in Port Colborne and moved to St. Catharines. He established and operated the family funeral business until his death in 1945.

In 1945, G. Osgoode Darté took over the funeral business from his father, George Darté.

In 1972, George O. Darté III, received his funeral directors license and carried on the family business as the fourth generation of funeral professionals. In 1977, George's brother, Patrick Darté, received his license and joined the firm.

In 1979, Patrick and George created their own separate companies and the George Darté Funeral Chapel Inc. was built on Carlton Street. In 1990, an extensive addition was added, more than doubling the size to 22,000 square feet. In 2015 a 18,000 square foot addition was completed. In 2015 a 22,000 square foot addition was completed with a total square footage of 44,000 or 4,088 square metres.

In 1998, Patrick sold his business to a funeral home chain. As of that date, George Darté Funeral Chapel Inc. became the only locally owned, independent funeral home in St. Catharines. We are able to compete successfully with corporate funeral home chains due to our unique family owned and operated approach.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Fallen Heroes & Clergy

At the George Darté Funeral Chapel, we are committed to providing superior service to the families that we serve and we are proud of our extensive community involvement. We demonstrate this by extending special pricing for those that have served to protect our country and community. All cases opened for deceased military, police and firefighters, active or retired, receive a discount on professional fees, facilities fees and motor vehicle fees, excluding third party suppliers. Members of the Clergy and their spouses will receive a discount on professional & facilities fees excluding third party suppliers.



Loss of a Child

In an effort to show our compassion for the parents of a deceased child, we make it a policy to offer discounts to help alleviate some of the financial burden associated with funeral services during this traumatic time. Disbursements and third-party suppliers paid out on the family's behalf are excluded from discounts.

Still born child and child up to 1 year old	Professional services considered essential for a direct burial or direct cremation and the casket are at no charge. A 50% discount on additional services, facilities and vehicles.
1 to under 6-year-old child	A 50% discount on services, facilities & vehicles
7 to under 12-year-old child	A 30% discount on services, facilities & vehicles
13 to under 18-year-old child	A 20% discount on services, facilities & vehicles

PROFESSIONAL & STAFF SERVICES

We are a Living Wage Employer.

This document lists current fees for common funeral services offered by the funeral home. **Not all fees apply in every case.** The fees that will be added to your funeral contract will be based upon your choices for arrangement when a death has occurred or when you are prearranging a funeral.

COORDINATING ACTIVITIES **\$ 1000.00**

NON-CEREMONY \$ 325.00

This includes the availability and service by a licensed Funeral Director on behalf of the purchaser. This charge includes coordinating and services of our staff and agents such as hospitals and nursing homes to receive the deceased person into our care and cemetery or crematoriums to make the necessary arrangements for final disposition.

SUPPORT STAFF SERVICES **\$ 275.00**

This includes staffing, maintenance and cleaning of premises and grounds, administrative staffing and reception. It includes the continued maintenance and administration of all permanent records of legal and financial nature as required by Canada Revenue Agency and Bereavement Authority of Ontario.

DOCUMENTATION SERVICES **\$ 250.00**

This charge is for obtaining the necessary information to complete the documentation legally required in connection with the disposition of the deceased, arranging for the filing of documentation and registration of the death, and providing copies of Proof of Death certificates.



PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR CEREMONY **\$ 450.00**
GRAVESIDE **\$ 200.00**

This includes, but is not limited to, preparations for attendance at the funeral service of a professional Funeral Event Planner to direct and assist with the funeral services for a period of time up to four hours in duration for a traditional ceremony, two hours for a graveside.

PROFESSIONAL STAFF SERVICES FOR TRANSFER **\$ 250.00**

This includes preparations and staff to attend to the place of death and transport a deceased person to the funeral home.

STAFF SERVICES FOR CEREMONY PREPARATION **\$ 175.00**

When no visitation is chosen, this fee covers staff to prepare for a ceremony, necessary setups, coordinating of donations, flowers, parking cars, direction and instructions given to the family and attendees at the ceremony.

STAFF SERVICES FOR GATHERING **\$ 250.00 PER PERIOD**

This includes, but is not limited to, preparation, staffing and concierge services during gathering, receiving and arranging floral tributes, coordinating donations and other duties associated with rites and services during the gathering. This includes up to a three-hour time period for private family and public gathering. A single concierge can attend to the needs of two rooms maximum.

PROFESSIONAL STAFF SERVICES -CELEBRANT **\$ 350.00**

This fee includes providing a professionally trained celebrant who will contact your family and prepare and present a custom funeral program including eulogy when required.

STAFF SERVICES FOR RECEPTION **\$ 200.00**

A host/hostess is provided during a reception. They will prepare the room for your arrival and attend to your needs for the duration of the reception and clean up after. A single host or hostess can serve up to 75 guests. Multiple hosts may be required depending on reception size.

STAFF SERVICES FOR RECEPTION -SMART SERVE **\$ 250.00**

Provincial law requires a certified Smart Server attend a reception when alcoholic beverages are served. A single host may serve up to 250 guests. **NOTE:** Special Occasion permits and special occasion insurances are also required when alcohol is served.

EMBALMING **\$ 550.00**

Embalming is not a requirement of the law. We recommend embalming in certain circumstances such as: a funeral with viewing, or the holding of a deceased person for a period of time in excess of 48 hours between death and final disposition. We will use our professional judgment to determine on a case-by-case basis whether we recommend embalming. A professional hair stylist will be provided as well as application of cosmetics if needed along with dressing and grooming for the deceased



EMBALMING FOR SPECIAL CASES**\$ 775.00**

Embalming for special cases such as a deceased person that has been autopsied or if significant restorative practices are required

BASIC BODY PREPARATION**\$ 175.00**

These services include, placing the body in the casket or cremation container, extra disinfection of the deceased person when necessary and simple preparation of the body for identification.

PACEMAKER REMOVAL**\$ 100.00**

These services include the removal of any medical implant device prior to cremation, storage and disposal of the removed medical waste.

FACILITIES

FACILITIES BASIC CHARGE**\$ 350.00****NON-CEREMONY \$ 200.00**

This is a minimum charge in all cases for the use of our facilities, including parking area, public areas within the funeral home, our planning suites, product selection room, viewing room for identification, lounge for coffee, tea, etc. and other facilities and equipment required to operate as a licensed funeral home.

FACILITIES FOR SHELTER& PREPARATION**\$ 325.00****NON-CEREMONY \$ 100.00**

Includes use of all necessary equipment for professional and sanitary care of the deceased person together with a room for this purpose. It includes the necessary equipment and supplies in compliance with W.H.M.I.S regulations and the Occupational Health & Safety Act (Bill 128).

FACILITIES - CUSTODIAL CARE**\$ 35.00 PER DAY**

Custodial care charges apply after the deceased has been sheltered for a period of 72 hours. (on the fourth day and thereafter) This includes the use of a refrigerated holding facility and continuous care and preservation of the deceased person.

FACILITIES – CEREMONY PREPARATION**\$ 150.00**

This charge applies when a family has chosen not to have visitation or gathering periods, but has chosen to have a ceremony on-site or off-site. This includes the use of a ceremony or gathering room for up to a maximum of 1 hour prior to the beginning of a ceremony for immediate family members and invited guests. This time is not intended for public visitation.

FACILITIES – CEREMONY ON SITE**\$ 350.00**

This includes the use of our premises, furnishings and equipment in the ceremony room on the day of the funeral services. This may also include any the following items: lectern, organ, sound equipment (i.e. microphone and sound system), projector screen, religious equipment, flower and donation card display stands, and casket bier, or casket carriage etc.



FACILITIES – GATHERING

\$ 325.00 PER GATHERING PERIOD

This includes use of our facility for gathering of friends and relatives and may include any or all of the following equipment; register desk, casket bier, flower and donations stands, sound system and religious equipment. Includes up to a 3-hour time period for private family and public gathering. Charges are based on a per room per gathering basis. Each room holds approximately between 40-60 visitors.

FACILITIES – RECEPTION

This includes the use of the Kristen French Fellowship Hall, Lower Lounge or rooms on the main level of the funeral home for a period of up to 2 hours, commencing from the contracted reception time on Schedule B-#4 of the funeral contract, for a reception or for use between visitation periods. Use of dinnerware, cutlery, coffee/tea urns and tables and chairs are included.

Kristen French Room - seats up to 110 guests	\$ 350.00
Lower Lounge - sets up to 20 guests	\$ 150.00

Upper Level – Room 5-	seats up to 35 guests	\$ 250.00
- Rooms 5 & 6 -	seats up to 75 guests	\$ 450.00
- Rooms 4,5 & 6 -	seats up to 100 guests	\$ 650.00
- Rooms 4,5,6 & 3 -	seats up to 120 guests	\$ 850.00

FACILITIES- SET UP AT ALTERNATE LOCATION

\$ 475.00

This includes use of our reception equipment outside of the funeral home as well as our vehicle equipment and set up staff for the transfer of the goods to an alternate location.

FACILITIES – ENVIRONMENTAL SURCHARGE

\$ 255.00

This fee includes the materials required for extra disinfection and PPE required by law to control special contagions. Additional fees may apply if sanitation is required for a transfer vehicle.

FACILITIES – AUDIO VISUAL PRESENTATION FEE

\$ 100.00 PER EVENT

This includes all equipment and staff required to record a video record of a ceremony within our facility or at an outside venue. One copy of the video file is copied to portable media upon request. This fee also applies when a family requires our assistance to prepare a photographic montage to project during a visitation.

FACILITIES- WEEKEND AND STATUTORY HOLIDAYS CHARGE

\$700.00

This fee includes all additional charges required for staff and building if a ceremony or visitation event is scheduled upon a weekend day or holiday.



MOTOR VEHICLES

Motor vehicle charges relate to use of the funeral home vehicles on a single occasion where the trip does not exceed 35 kilometers from the funeral home. Additional mileage applies for trips exceeding this distance.

MOTOR VEHICLE – TRANSFER FROM PLACE OF DEATH \$ 200.00

This includes the transfer of the remains of the deceased person from the place of death to the funeral home using a transfer van.

MOTOR VEHICLE- ADMIN CAR \$ 200.00

Vehicles used by staff in making arrangements, picking up and filing of documents, registering the death and other transportation required to facilitate the services provided by the funeral home. Other services include delivery of floral tributes to the cemetery, church or other local locations as instructed by the family

MOTOR VEHICLE- TRANSFER TO CREMATORIUM \$ 80.00

A fee charged by the crematorium for the transfer of the body to the crematorium using a transfer van,

MOTOR VEHICLE- TRANSFER TO CEMETERY (SERVICE VEHICLE) \$ 100.00

This fee is charged when a direct burial option is chosen and the deceased person is transferred to for burial in a service vehicle instead of a funeral coach.

MOTOR VEHICLE- CLERGY /LEAD CAR \$ 150.00

GRAVESIDE \$ 75.00

The use of this vehicle may include any or all of the following; transportation for clergy to the funeral home, place of funeral rite, place of final disposition and leading of funeral procession. The fee is for a 3-hour period commencing 1 hour prior to the contracted service time on Schedule B # 3 of the funeral contract. Overtime charges will apply in excess of 3 hours and kilometers in excess of 35 km as listed above.

MOTOR VEHICLE- FUNERAL COACH \$ 450.00

The use of the funeral hearse includes the transportation of the deceased person from the funeral home to the place of the funeral rite and to the place of final disposition. The fee is for a 3-hour period commencing 1 hour prior to the contracted service time on Schedule B # 3 of the funeral contract. Overtime charges will apply in excess of 3 hours and kilometers in excess of 35 km as listed above.

MOTOR VEHICLE- LIMOUSINE 6 PERSON \$ 600.00

8 PERSON \$ 800.00

This charge is for the transportation of family members or casket bearers for a 3-hour period commencing 1 hour prior to the contracted service time on Schedule B #3 of the funeral contract. Overtime charges will apply in excess of 3 hours and kilometers in excess of 35 km as listed above



MOTOR VEHICLE- EXTRAS

An additional charge for usage in excess of 3 hours **\$ 100.00 per hour**

An additional charge for kilometers over the initial 35 kilometers per round trip **\$ 2.75**

An additional charge for wait time between ceremony and burial for a reception to take place
\$ 100.00 per hour

Additional fees may apply if the use of a third-party vehicle service is required.

DISBURSEMENTS

Disbursements are items arranged on your behalf by the funeral home. The following are some of the items that are often identified as disbursements. These fees are set by others and their rate is independent of us.

CEMETERY FEES

This fee is charged by the cemetery for the services required to open and close a gravesite, provide grass and lowering devices etc.

NEWSPAPER NOTICES

These are charges for death notices placed in newspapers or radio or other media outlets.

CREMATION FEES

These are fees paid to the crematorium for services performed.

CLERGY HONORARIUMS AND CHURCH FEES

Fees paid to churches or other places of worship for the use of the facility. Fees are set by the churches

ORGANISTS, SOLOISTS, MUSICIANS AND OTHERS

Organists, Soloists, Bag Pipers, Dove release, Butterfly Release

LIQUOR SERVICE-RELATED FEES

When a reception includes served liquor a Special Occasion Permit and Special Occasion insurance coverage are required.

CASKET BEARERS

If required, the funeral home will arrange to have the required number of casket bearers attend at the time and place required. The funeral home forwards payment to those they book for this service on the family's behalf.

MANDATORY DISBURSEMENTS

Civic Death registration fee - a fee set to register the death



BAO Consumer Protection fee - Payable to the Bereavement Authority of Ontario for each funeral transaction undertaken by a registered practitioner or facility.

Coroner fee - Paid to the attending Coroner for issuing a Certificate allowing a Cremation to take place, where applicable.

SERVICE CHOICES

The following fees are for a basic service package.

NON-FUNERAL SERVICE CREMATION

For those wishing for cremation without a visitation or service.

\$ 1975.00

plus, choice of container, disbursements and taxes.

DIRECT BURIAL

\$ 3,125.00

plus, choice of container, disbursements and taxes

The following choices include one two-hour visitation period and a church ceremony:

CREMATION WITH SERVICE PRIOR

\$4,400.00

plus, choice of container, disbursements and taxes

CREMATION WITH MEMORIAL SERVICE

\$4,055.00

plus, choice of container, disbursements and taxes



BURIAL OR ENTOMBMENT WITH SERVICES

\$ 4,750.00

plus, choice of container, disbursements and taxes

CASKETS RENTAL OPTIONS

Batesville Weston	\$ 2,400.00
Batesville Libra Harvest Red	\$ 2,050.00
Batesville Trenton	\$ 2,498.00

METAL CASKETS (NOT SUITABLE FOR CREMATION)

Batesville Merlot	\$ 5,295.00
Batesville Sand	\$ 4,250.00
Batesville Aegean copper	\$ 12,445.00
Northern Dayton N207	\$ 4,595.00

WOOD CASKETS

Batesville Hadley	\$ 2,005.00
Batesville Libra Harvest Red	\$ 2,995.00
Batesville Lyra Light Brown	\$ 2,995.00
Batesville Lynx Natural Brown	\$ 2,895.00
Batesville Weston	\$ 4,650.00
Northern Casket Carlton Oak	\$ 2,995.00
Northern Casket Carolina Poplar	\$ 4,095.00



Northern Casket Churchill Cherry	\$ 6,150.00
Northern Casket Delta Pine	\$ 2,875.00
Northern Casket Glentay Oak	\$ 2,875.00
Northern Casket Haliburton Oak	\$ 3,175.00
Northern Casket Minto	\$ 2,995.00
Victoriaville Brighton Poplar	\$ 3,775.00
Victoriaville DaVinci	\$ 3,995.00
Victoriaville Dominion Maple	\$ 4,095.00
Victoriaville Dover, raised flat top	\$ 2,675.00
Victoriaville Fergus	\$ 2,575.00
Victoriaville Heavenly white	\$ 2,995.00
Victoriaville Newington	\$ 3,375.00
Victoriaville Trentfield	\$ 3,495.00
Victoriaville Wildwood Moka	\$ 1,750.00
Victoriaville Woodstock Oak	\$ 4,525.00

OVERSIZE CASKETS

Victoriaville Toledo 28"	\$ 1,550.00
Northern Casket – Carlton Oak 28"	\$ 3,585.00
Batesville Woodhaven Pecan 28"	\$ 5,110.00

OTHER CASKETS

Safewood Cremation Container	\$ 255.00
Victoriaville Glencove, no interior	\$ 455.00



CHILDREN'S CASKETS

Victoriaville White Lamb Cloth:

2'	\$ 385.00
2.5'	\$ 415.00
3'	\$ 455.00
5'	\$ 835.00

URNS

	FULL SIZE	KEEPSAKE
Butterworth Urns - Athena Pewter	375.00	\$ 55.00
Butterworth Urns - Beaumont Bronze Cube	325.00	
Butterworth Urns - Elite Aristocrat	425.00	55.00
Butterworth Urns - Going Home	325.00	55.00
Butterworth Urns - Grecian red	485.00	65.00
Butterworth Urns - Mausoleum -Earth	295.00	55.00
Butterworth Urns - Mother of Pearl	425.00	65.00
Butterworth Urns - Radiance Engraved	295.00	55.00
Butterworth Urns - Scattering tube	115.00	
Butterworth Urns - Waterlily Dragonfly	395.00	
Butterworth Urns - Magnolia Lovebirds	395.00	
Butterworth Urns - Natural Laminate	200.00	
Butterworth Urns - Wood Effect Butterfly	270.00	
Joyal & Allard - Child Teddy Bear	150.00	
Joyal & Allard - Bamboo Cylinder	250.00	
Les Quad Urn - Single Marble	395.00	
North Urn - Standard Wood	325.00	
North Urn - Rosewood Chest	500.00	
North Urn - Reflections III	675.00	
Commemorate Urn - Wings of Hope	395.00	125.00
Commemorate Urn - Nirvana Egg	410.00	95.00
Commemorate Urn - Love bird		100.00
Commemorate Urn - Heart		120.00

COMPANION URNS

North Urn - Contemporary Cherry	535.00
Fabhaven Group - Marble heart	1395.00
Les Quad Urn - Double marble	825.00



BURIAL VAULTS

A burial vault is a lined and sealed outer receptacle that houses the casket or urn. It protects the casket or urn from the weight of the earth and heavy maintenance equipment that will pass over the grave. It also helps resist water and preserves the beauty of cemetery or memorial park by preventing the ground from settling.

BASIC

Basic burial vaults are single reinforced and feature concrete construction combined with plastic reinforcement for strength. A casket placed within a vault is less likely to be disturbed by subsoil elements and with weight of heavy cemetery maintenance equipment

STANDARD

High strength concrete, stainless steel, and high impact plastic combine for durable vault. A casket placed within a standard vault is even less likely to be disturbed by subsoil elements and the weight of heavy cemetery maintenance equipment over time.

PREMIUM

Premium burial vaults have excellent durability with superior long-lasting protection against subsoil elements and the weight of heavy cemetery maintenance equipment. The Bronze provides ultimate triple reinforced protection. The Bronze and Copper Triune series vaults are double reinforced.

	REGULAR	OVERSIZE
Doric Athenian by Superior Vault	\$ 3,775.00	\$ 4,755.00
Doric Bronze by Superior Vault	4,445.00	
Doric Patrician by Superior Vault	2,450.00	3,035.00
Doric Titan Gold by Superior Vault	1,750.00	2,560.00
Hansford Guardian by Superior Vault	1,345.00	1,425.00
Superior Vault- tent set up with vault	300.00	
Superior Vault – tent set up no vault	460.00	
Superior Vault – Sunday & Holiday surcharge	475.00	



URN VAULTS

Urn vaults are generally recommended if you are planning to bury the urn. This will protect the urn from all of earth's elements far better than if the urn were buried as is. Urn vaults can also be used to place special items and treasures with your loved one's cremated body such as pictures, letters, teddy bears, artwork etc.

Fabhaven Group - Fibreglass Urn vault:

Small	505.00
Large	610.00
Extra Large	760.00
Single tall	550.00

STATIONERY

Customized keepsake cards, register books, bookmarks, thank you cards, and Life Journey Candles are available. The quoted price for the customized items will be determined when the order is placed.

BASIC PACKAGE

\$ 295.00

The package includes a customised register book, 100 keepsake cards, 50 thank you cards, 8 bookmarks and a life journey candle.

STANDARD TRIBUTE PACKAGE

\$ 395.00

This package adds 25 more keepsake cards, 25 more thank you cards and a DVD photo tribute.

A LA CARTE STATIONERY:

Generic Register book	\$ 35.00
Customized Register Book	70.00
Custom Keepsake cards (25)	45.00
Custom keepsake cards (100)	105.00
Thank you, Cards (25),	30.00
Custom Bookmarks (8)	40.00
Custom Photo and frame	85.00
Life Journey Candle	45.00
Precious Memories DVD- 80 photos	125.00
Add photo 3.00 each	
Add DVD copies 20.00	



FINANCIAL TERMS & OPTIONS

Payment

Preferred payment for the funeral services account can be made with debit, cheque, cash or electronic funds transfer. Credit cards may be presented for payment as well. Payment cannot be made using the deceased person's credit cards, debit cards or chequing account unless the purchaser has signed documentation prior to the death, at the financial institution for "joint status" on the account. Power of Attorney ceases at the time of death and will not qualify as having "joint status". Also, executorship does not qualify as being "joint status" on a bank account or credit/debit card. Additional information about the funding, payment and financing options is available on request.

Deposit Requirements

At the time of funeral arrangements and upon signing the contract, a minimum deposit of 50% is due by the Purchaser. The balance of the account is due 30 days from signing the contract.

Interest Charges & Returned Items

Interest on overdue accounts will be charged at 1.5% per month equivalent to 20% per annum from time of purchase. A \$50 fee will be charged to the Purchaser for any payments returned by a financial institution.

Prearrangement Funding

We offer a trust funding option when prepaying for services and supplies. Prearrangement funds are accepted by cheque only and are made payable to "George Darte Funeral Chapel in Trust". These funds will be deposited and held in trust at First Ontario Credit Union and will earn interest .05% above the posted rate for a 5-year GIC term. When the initial five-year term renews and for any renewal thereafter, the GIC will renew at the posted 5-year GIC rate.

At the time of need, the trusted funds and accumulated interest will be redeemed and applied to the services and merchandise when the funeral contract is fulfilled at the time of need.

