

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church
Indianapolis, Indiana
FUNERAL SERVICE PLANNING FORM

The liturgy of the dead is an Easter Liturgy which finds its meaning in the Resurrection of our Lord. A Christian funeral or memorial service proclaims hope in the face of death; it is an affirmation of the continuity of a relationship with God even after our temporal lives are ended. *"Baptized Christians are properly buried from the church."* (BCP p. 490)

You may wish to prepare this form in consultation with your priest and family. This form should be kept where it will be readily available when needed, and, if appropriate, you may wish to send copies to your next of kin. This form will be kept on file in the parish office. If at any time your wishes change, please update this form and place it on file in the parish office. Feel free to omit the items that do not apply and/or choices you prefer to leave to the judgment of your next of kin or clergy. To know your wishes in these matters will help your survivors immeasurably at what is usually a very difficult time.

Date _____

Legal Name _____

Address _____

Birth Date _____ Birth City/State _____ Baptism Date _____

Name, address and phone number of person(s) authorized to handle your funeral arrangements:

I wish to have a Vigil (calling/visitation) Yes _____ No _____

If yes, it is to be held at: St. Timothy's Nave _____ Craine Hall _____ Funeral Home _____

What burial office do you want? Rite I _____ Rite II _____

Do you want Holy Eucharist at your funeral? Yes _____ No _____ Rite I _____ Rite II _____

Prayer A _____ Prayer B _____ Prayer C _____ Prayer D _____

What scripture passages do you wish to have read? One or more readings/Psalms are appropriate.

If you wish to have the Holy Eucharist, a reading from a Gospel is required. (Suggestions are found in St. Timothy's [SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR FUNERAL SERVICES](#). Also, please indicate who you would like to read the lessons and lead the Psalm(s):

Old Testament _____ Reader _____

Psalm _____ Reader _____

New Testament _____ Reader _____

Gospel _____ Clergy _____

What music do you wish to have St. Timothy's organist play, or congregational hymn to be sung? Suggestions may be found in St. Timothy's [HYMNS FOR FUNERAL SERVICES](#). Please list them along with any specific wishes you have for a prelude or postlude. Easter Hymns are always appropriate.

Prelude Music _____

Processional Hymn _____

Sequence Hymn (If Gospel Scripture is used) _____

Offertory Hymn _____

Communion Hymn (If Holy Eucharist will be served) _____

Recessional Hymn _____

Postlude Music _____

Do you wish to have other soloist, instruments, and musicians to provide additional music?

Names, addresses and phone numbers of person(s) you would like to have as pallbearers and/or honorary pallbearers: _____

Do you wish to have your committal (internment) immediately following the service or at a later date?
When? _____ Where? _____

Do you wish to have a reception for guests following the service? _____ Yes _____ No
Where do wish for it to be held? _____

I understand that no eulogy will be offered during the service. The priest will offer a homily or family members may speak at this time. We recommend that comments may be shared at a reception or other gathering when all can participate and enjoy the remembrances.

Do you wish donations be made in your memory to St. Timothy's Episcopal Church? _____ Yes _____ No
Or do you wish to have flowers donations? _____ Yes _____ No
Or do you wish to name another organization for donations in your name? _____

Are there other special instructions regarding your funeral service? _____
