   
 Larry G. Acklin Funeral Homes, inc. newsletter

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a message from the president

On February 28, 2017 Larry G. Acklin Funeral Home celebrated thirty-five years of serving families in their time of need.

**larry g. acklin funeral home**

**website**

*We recently revamped our website page to make it user friendly. On the website, you can view obituaries and upcoming services, read about other services that we offer, order florals for upcoming services, read our history and staff profiles, or research caskets and monuments that we have to offer. You also have the option to subscribe to our obituary page and be notified of any upcoming services. Please visit our website at:* [**www.larrygacklinfuneralhomes.com**](http://www.larrygacklinfuneralhomes.com)

You can also visit our Facebook page at   
***Larry G. Acklin Funeral Home, Inc.***   
and “like” our page. This will allow you to keep up with upcoming seminars and other community events throughout the year.



As President of Larry G. Acklin Funeral Homes, I truly believe that God called me to take care of grieving families who have lost their loved ones.

We have tried over the years to serve our families in the most professional and dignified way possible. We truly value being a servant that God has placed in your families lives to take care of them in their most difficult times and we take pride in doing so.

We look forward to being able to serve another thirty-five years or for as long as God appoints us to serve.

Thanks to all of our families who have given Larry G. Acklin the opportunity to be of service to their families. We love you and wish you well in the future.

Sincerely,

Larry G. Acklin, President

**WHAT THE PRAYING HAND LOGO MEANS TO US**

The praying hand logo is placed on most everything that is associated with Larry G. Acklin Funeral Home. You will find it on our stationary, envelopes, memorial books, bags, etc. The praying hand symbolizes what the company was built on over 35 years ago…..PRAYER and a strong foundation in God. 35 years later, this concept still holds true. Mr. Acklin feels as if his business has been blessed beyond measures through his faith in God and strong prayer life. If you have attended one of our graveside services, we also present our families with a praying hand statue in memory of their loved one.

**PLANNING THE FUNERAL OR CREMATION SERVICE**

Why do we have funerals? For thousands of years funerals have been a means of expressing our beliefs, thoughts and feeling about the death of someone we love.

What the ceremony does:

* Helps us acknowledge that someone we love has died.
* Allows us to say goodbye and have closure.
* Provides a social support system for loved ones, friends and family members
* Allows us to contemplate the meaning of life and death
* Offers continuity and hope for the living.

Another way to think of the funeral is as a final tribute to the person who has passed.

**COMMON FUNERAL TERMS**

**AT- NEED:** **FIRST CALL: ORGAN DONATION:**  
Funeral and cemetery The initial call from the family The process of surgically removing  
arrangements made at notifying the funeral home of a an organ or tissue from one person  
the time of death. death. and placing it into another person

**BURIAL VAULT:** **OBITUARY: HEARSE:**  
A lined and sealed outer The paragraph in the obituary section A motor coach designed usually for  
receptacle that is specifically of the newspaper or on the internet, the transporting of casketed remains  
engineered to support the weight publicizing the death of a person and from one place of the funeral service  
of the earth grave, as well as the giving details of the funeral service the to the cemetery.  
heavy equipment that passes over it. Family wish to have published.

**CREMATION: VISITATION: PRE-ARRANGED FUNERAL:**  
Reduction of body to ashes by fire An opportunity for family and friends to Funeral arrangements completed  
 view the deceased in private, usually in a by an individual prior to his/her **CREMATORY:** special room within the funeral home. death.   
A building which houses a retort.

**EMBALM: LIVING WILL: PREPLAN:**    
The process of preserving a dead A written statement detailing a person’s The process in which an individual  
body. desires regarding their medical treatment creates their statement of wishes  
 in circumstances in which they are no for their final event plan, allowing  
**EULOGY:** longer able to express informed consent, loved ones to focus on celebrating  
A brief speech that offers praise especially an advance directive. a life lived.  
and celebrates the life of the  
person who has died **MEMORIAL SERVICE: URN:**  
 A service in memory of the deceased without A container into which cremated  
**FINAL DISPOSITION**: the body being present. Also applies when a remains are placed. Made of   
The decision to choose between service has only cremains/ashes present metal, wood, or stone.  
burial and cremation.