
Choice

We encourage funeral pre-arrangement and we provide information about simple and dignified economical funerals and ecologically-responsible end-of-life planning

Consumer Advocacy

We are a member of the Federation of Ontario Memorial Societies — Funeral Consumers Alliance (FOOMS-FCA) and we support its efforts as a consumer protection organization

Preplanning

Members receive: a wallet-sized card, a funeral prearrangement form, discounts from a funeral service provider, and information on alternative types of disposition of last remains

MEMORIAL SOCIETY OF
KITCHENER-WATERLOO AND AREA

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Memorial Society of Kitchener-Waterloo and Area



A non-sectarian,
non-profit organization
that encourages

Choices & Alternatives

Consumer Rights

Preplanning

For simple and dignified
economical funerals
and ecologically-responsible
end-of-life planning



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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
(Please Print)



Objectives

- Ensure the availability of affordable funeral arrangements through cooperating funeral providers
- Monitor the practices & performance of funeral providers
- Promote environmentally sound arrangements for the disposal of human remains
- Monitor and encourage government programs which protect consumers' rights and choices about the disposition of their last remains
- Encourage and assist members to plan for the disposition of their last remains
- Provide public awareness and education about our Society's purpose
- Promote the continuance of an active and responsible Society.

History

The Society was formed in June 1971. The Society's original purpose was to promote simple and dignified funerals, to provide members with the names and pricelists of funeral homes that offered low-cost services, and to provide members with a consultative service for funeral costs & arrangements, organ donations for medical research, and cremation. Members were encouraged to plan and prearrange their last wishes in accordance with his or her own ethical, religious or philosophical values and beliefs.

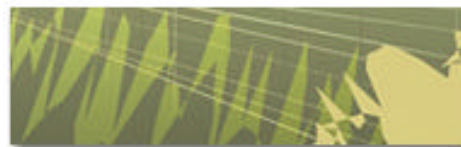
Why Join?

The Society will provide you with information that will help you with your end-of-life planning. We provide information on simple, dignified, and economical funeral plans, on funeral alternatives (such as environmentally-friendly green burials), and on new technologies (such as freeze drying). By planning early, you will **save money**, you will reduce the stress level on your survivors, and **you** will make the choice in the disposition of your last remains in a way that **you** see fit.

If you wish, we will discuss with you the various funeral alternatives in order to help you to arrange and implement your plans.

Operation

Our Society is a non-sectarian, non-profit consumer information group managed by a board of volunteers who are elected from the general membership. The Society and its board members do not own or operate any funeral home, cemetery, crematorium, monument company, transfer service, or enterprise relating to the funeral industry. The Society's sole means of funding is from membership fees and donations. (Please note that the Society is not a registered charity.)



See our website for a **larger form** and **Privacy Policy**

Mr/Ms	Surname	First Name	Birth Year	Amt.
				\$ 20
				\$ 20
Optional Donation to the Society				\$
TOTAL				\$

Mailing Address	
Street Name & Number	City, Province & Postal Code

Phone	
Email	

Signature(s)	Date