

Cemetery Manager's Office PO Box 281 102 Division St 907.443.6605

CEMETERY SERVICES

The City of Nome understands what a difficult time this can be for families, and we extend our most sincere condolences. We are here to ensure that the interment of Nome's loved ones is completed safely, with the utmost respect, and our warmest regards.

Services are available for those who wish Nome to be their final resting place. Our goal is to make the interment process simple and practical, while taking the family's wishes into consideration whenever possible. This burial packet is designed to guide you through the process of having a loved one buried at the Nome Municipal Cemetery. A resource list has been attached for information on funeral homes, casket options, cremation services, financial assistance, and State of Alaska requirements.

Burial Options

Grave openings and closings are performed by City of Nome Public Works staff. For traditional burials, caskets may be available for purchase at Norton Sound Health Corporation. For information, please contact Social Services at 907-443-3311. For information about urns or different casket options, please see the attached list of resources on the final page of this packet. Homemade caskets or coffins are welcome at the Nome Municipal Cemetery as well. A "green burial" or "natural burial" is an option for those who wish their loved one to be placed in the ground without a traditional casket. This is sometimes desirable for financial reasons, and also enables a body to decompose at a natural rate. Please note that a solid resting base and a sufficient shroud is required for a burial of this nature.

Plot Location

A burial plot may be selected by the family, but please note that the location must be approved by the Cemetery Manager. We are more than happy to look up burial locations for family members or friends of the deceased at the family's request.

Headstones

The City of Nome is available to assist with the placement of grave markers or headstones if needed. If a headstone is not provided by the family of the deceased, the City will provide an unmarked wooden grave marker. These are meant to be temporary markers until a permanent one is placed by the family.

Grave Maintenance

The City of Nome is responsible for landscaping and maintenance of the Cemetery grounds, but we invite and encourage you to plant flowers or other grave decorations as often as you wish. The City of Nome will make efforts to leave non-natural grave decorations in place; however items may be removed to prevent environmental hazards.



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<u>Costs</u>

Payment is required at the time a burial permit is issued. Please note that burials scheduled on weekends or holidays are subject to fees in addition to those listed below. Financial assistance may be available through local tribal organizations, or the AK State Public Assistance Office may be contacted at 907-443-2237. See the resource page in this packet for more information. A burial packet includes the following:

- Burial permit for the deceased
- Burial plot of your choosing within the Nome Municipal Cemetery
- Space in the morgue for those awaiting burial
- Grave opening and closing (available May 15-Oct 15)
- Temporary grave marker or placement of a headstone

Burial Cost:

- Standard/Adult: \$500
- Child: \$250
- Cremains \$125

USE OF MORGUE FACILITY

Use of the NSHC morgue is available to prepare bodies for burial. Please contact Social Services at 907-443-3311 for more information. Use of the City morgue is available to those who require special circumstances. A cleaning deposit of \$100 is required, and will be refunded upon approval of inspection.

Please join us in preserving the memory and dignity of those resting at the Nome Municipal Cemetery, by observing the policies and guidelines below:

- All items brought into the facilities must be removed or properly disposed of. This includes casket packing material, clothing, disposable gloves, bags, etc.
- Spill and stain removal is your responsibility. Liquids or other debris must be properly cleaned and disposed of immediately.
- Furniture, equipment, and cleaning supplies may not be removed from the facility. Disposable gloves and cleaning supplies may be available for use.
- Please clean all areas immediately after use, and leave the facility in the same condition that it was in upon your arrival.

Use of tobacco is permitted on the grounds, but is prohibited inside the morgue. Please dispose of spent cigarettes or other tobacco products in an appropriate waste receptacle. Alcoholic beverages are not permitted in the facility or on the grounds.



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RESOURCES

To request a copy of the death certificate:

The Bureau of Vital Statistics 5441 Commercial Blvd PO Box 110675 Juneau, AK 99801 (907) 465-3391

For information on autopsies and

requirements for transfer of remains: State Medical Examiner Office 5455 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave Anchorage, AK 99507 (907) 334-2200 <u>Financial Assistance:</u> AK Dept. of Public Assistance Office – Nome 214 E. Front Street Nome, AK 99762 Phone: (907) 443-2237

Bering Straits Regional Assistance Programs:

- Kawerak: (907) 443-4370
- Nome Eskimo Community: (907) 443-2246
- Gambell Tribe: (907) 985-5346
- Bering Straits Native Corporation: (907) 443-5252

Casket Orders

Alaska Casket 11900 Industry Way Anchorage, AK 99515 (907) 348-7379

NSHC Social Services (907) 443-3311

Funeral Homes in Alaska (partial list)

Anchorage

Janssen Evergreen Memorial Chapel 737 E St. Anchorage, AK 99501 (907) 279-5477

Cremation Society of Alaska 7216 Lake Otis Pkwy. Anchorage, AK 99507 (907) 277-2777

Fairbanks

Fairbanks Funeral Home & Crematory 3704 Erickson Ave. Fairbanks, AK 99709 (907) 451-1110

Chapel of Chimes, Legacy Funeral Homes 415 Illinois St. Fairbanks, AK 99701 (907) 456-5566

SE Alaska

Prewitt Funeral Home 1004 Halibut Point Rd. PO Box 1007 Sitka, AK 99835 (907) 747-7321

Ketchikan Mortuary 525 Deermount St. Ketchikan, AK 99901 (907) 225-4550



PLOT RESERVATION

PURCHASER INFORMATION					
NAME					
PHONE	EMAIL				
MAILING ADDRESS					
PHYSICAL ADDRESS					
PLOT RECIPENT (if different than purchaser)					
NAME		_ DATE OF BIRTH			
PHONE		_EMAIL			
MAILING ADDRESS					

BURIAL PERMIT

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NAME				
DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH			
DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH			
CHURCH AFFILIATION				
RESERVED PLOT LOCATION (if applicable)				
AK STATE BURIAL PERMIT # (if applicable)				
PERMIT PURCHASED BY	P	PHONE		

<u>CITY USE ONLY</u>				
REC'D BY:	DATE	PERMIT #:	CIMS LOCATION:	
PLOT: (circle one) STANDARD CHILD CREMAINS				
BURIAL: (circle one) STANDARD CHILD CREMAINS	5	PAYMENT AMOUNT: PAYMENT METHOD (CIRCI	LE ONE):CASH CARD CHECK#	