Funeral Cost Comparison

The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) Funeral Rule governs funeral homes and crematories. Funeral homes are required to give you a price quote over the phone, and provide the General Price List (GPL) in writing if you visit the establishment. Cemeteries are under no such obligation, unfortunately. While you don't have to pay in advance, take time to think about what you want, and then check facilities, staff, services and prices to make sure they meet your expectations. Sometimes the emotional cost to survivors of incomplete or inadequate services may outweigh cost savings. *Resources: Federal Trade Commission, pg. 61.*

	Company #1	Company #2	Company #3
Name of Crematory / Funeral Home			
Pick-up / transportation of human remains			
Forwarding body or cremated human remains			
Receiving body or cremated human remains			
Cremation			
Cremation (retort) charge			
Cremation service fee, if additional			
Cost of container / casket for cremation			
Cost of container / urn for cremated remains			
Burial Costs			
Casket for burial (attach description / model #)			
Outer Burial Container: Indicate Liner or Vault			
Immediate burial – no service or embalming etc.			
Service Fees			
Basic service fee for the funeral			
Rental charge for church / hall / funeral home			
Casket rental for service			
Embalming (not required in any state)			
Other preparation of the human remains			
Refrigeration costs – ☐ flat fee ☐ per day charge			
Visitation / viewing – staff and facilities			
Graveside service – staff and equipment			
Hearse / other vehicles			
TOTAL:			
	Cemetery #1	Cemetery #2	Cemetery #3
Name of Cemetery / Mausoleum:			
Cost of lot or crypt (if not already owned)			
Perpetual Care fee			
Opening and closing the grave, crypt or niche			
Grave liner or vault, if required (see above)			
Marker / monument (including setup)			
TOTAL:			