

POLICY FOR FUNERAL AND BURIAL EXPENSES

ELIGIBILITY: The surviving spouse, parent, or dependent of a deceased victim of crime, or next of kin of a deceased victim who is not survived by a dependent, shall be eligible for funeral expenses.

GUIDELINES:

Funeral and burial expenses shall not exceed \$7,000.00. These expenses may include the following:

a) Professional services, use of facilities for viewing or funeral ceremony, transfer to funeral home, preparation of the body, charge for removal car, grave opening

b) Merchandise such as casket, outer burial container, cremation container, acknowledgment cards, register book, cards of thanks, flowers for service

c) Special services such as forwarding remains or receiving remains from other funeral home or mortuary

d) Cash advances for cemetery charges, crematory charges, musician's honorarium, copies of death certificates, hairdresser or barber, clergy fee

e) Miscellaneous expenses shall not exceed \$500.00 which may include food, perpetual care, or cremation jewelry

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Headstones, cemetery plots, and memorial items (such as benches, plaques) shall not exceed **\$2,000.00** and will be paid in addition to funeral and burial expenses.

If there is a specific life insurance death benefit or prepaid funeral arrangement available that is payable directly to the funeral home, that benefit must be used for payment of funeral expenses/burial expenses.