

The
Coffin CoverTM

“A revolution in Coffin design”

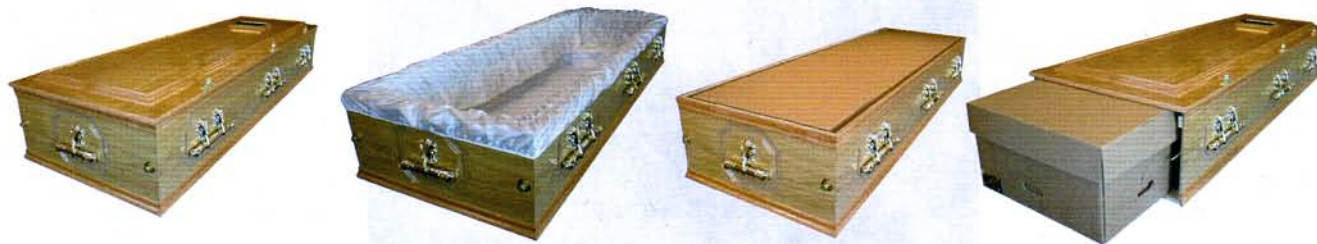


***Combining a traditional dignified external
appearance with a simple internal coffin
for burial or cremation.***

Dignified - Practical - Unique

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The *Coffin Cover* has been developed with practicality and affordability in mind for those making funeral arrangements while at the same time respecting the dignity and reverence of the deceased.

The Coffin Cover:

- Provides all the benefits of the traditional coffin, including a removable lid, so that relatives and friends can pay their respects.
- Reduces the cost of a traditional funeral by as much as several hundred pounds by removing the need to purchase and cremate high quality hand finished products like the traditional coffin.
- Helps protect the environment by reducing the number of trees that need to be cut down to provide solid timber and veneers for coffin and casket production.
- Can be Folded flat once the coffin has been removed so that it can be discreetly removed from the crematorium.
- Provides a much higher quality coffin appearance than most people would normally purchase for a funeral and provides a greater presence compared to a traditional coffin.

What is a Coffin Cover arrangement?

The Coffin Cover is effectively an external protective shell that provides a dignified means of transport for the simple coffin inside.

The *Coffin Cover* is a handmade veneered casket, shaped to provide a distinctive traditional appearance that will lend presence and dignity to any funeral. Concealed discreetly inside is a separate internal coffin that is lined to provide peace of mind to those who would want to spend time viewing the deceased. The simple internal coffin is made of an environmentally friendly material such as cardboard or recycled composite material. It is this internal coffin that is removed from the outer *Coffin Cover* and cremated following the funeral service at the crematorium.

The outer *Coffin Cover* never comes into direct contact with the deceased and can be re-used on other occasions.

There is only a charge for the simple internal coffin.



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How does the Coffin Cover arrangement work?



When a close relative or friend dies, some people would prefer to “remember them as they were when they were alive”, in these circumstances the coffin may be closed. For other people, the opportunity to pay their final respects is a ‘chance to say farewell’, or a final chance for relatives and friends to pay their last respects. Some people take this opportunity to place flowers or a photograph inside the coffin.

- the Coffin Cover provides these opportunities.



At the commencement of the funeral the internal coffin will be closed followed by the external Coffin Cover. The final journey may be direct to the crematorium or cemetery or via a church or other service venue.

- the quality and style of the Coffin Cover will ensure dignity throughout the final journey.



The Coffin Cover provides a more aesthetically pleasing appearance than a cardboard coffin for the funeral service. It is important to understand that the Coffin Cover does NOT contain or come into contact with the deceased, it is simply a superficial covering for a simple internal coffin.

At the end of the service when the family and friends have left the crematorium chapel, the internal coffin will be removed from the external Coffin Cover and cremated.

- the Coffin Cover arrangement provides a practical solution to cremating high quality and expensive materials.



For a burial in the cemetery, the internal coffin can be removed from the Coffin Cover before the coffin is placed in the grave, under these circumstances the internal coffin will be visible to relatives and friends who attend the interment. The Coffin Cover will usually be left inside the hearse. This arrangement will vary and should be discussed fully with the Funeral Director at the time of making the arrangements.

- the Coffin Cover provides flexibility and a common sense approach to funerals.



The internal cardboard coffin is made from extra thick ‘Toughwall’ double thickness corrugated board with an additional internal lining for support along the base to provide all the practical requirements needed from a coffin. Each coffin is provided with 3 die cut handles on each side and 1 at each end. Internal cardboard coffins can be sold separately for Woodland, Green or alternative funerals where individual requests may include a painted coffin.

When the coffin inside has been removed the Coffin Cover can be quickly and easily dismantled and folded down to ensure that it can be discreetly removed from the crematorium and stored at the funeral directors premises.



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Your questions answered.

Q. Why do they cremate every coffin?

A. The Code of Cremation Practice set out by the Federation of British Cremation Authorities is very strict and requires that *"..the coffin and its contents shall be put into the cremator exactly as they have been received on the catafalque"*. (The platform on which the coffin lies at the front of the chapel)

Q. If every coffin is cremated, what happens to the external Coffin Cover?

A. The external Coffin Cover is a shell that surrounds the actual coffin that carries the deceased. The Coffin Cover can be removed in much the same way as a flag that may cover a coffin at the funeral.

Q. What else does the Federation Of British Cremation Authorities Code of Cremation Practice say about coffin covers?

A. *"If a coffin is encased, the cover and the coffin must bear adequate identity of the deceased person"*

"When a re-usable coffin cover is used to encase a coffin, a signed authority must be given by the Applicant (executor or next of kin) for the cremation authorising its use and consenting to its subsequent removal from the Crematorium."

Q. Why hasn't this been thought of before?

A. Almost every aspect has been thought of before - the internal coffin, the open casket, the biodegradable coffin, the outer cover, - but this is the first time everything has been brought together in one unique and dignified arrangement.

Q. How much does the Coffin Cover arrangement cost?

A. There is no charge for the external Coffin Cover, this remains the property of the funeral director concerned. The only charge is for the internal coffin and there may be an additional charge for the gown or shroud depending upon the individual requests. The actual price is subject to change and amendment depending upon materials used and the allocation of overheads added to this product; please contact your local funeral director and ask them for further information.

Q. Who can supply the Coffin Cover arrangement?

A. The Coffin Cover is a unique Patented concept. Information about all authorised funeral directors who can supply the Coffin Cover arrangement is available on the website www.coffincovers.co.uk or by contacting Joseph A. Hey & Son Ltd, 470 Great Horton Road, Bradford BD7 3HR Tel: 01274 571021. If you feel that the Coffin Cover arrangement is the right option for you or your family, contact your local funeral director and ask them if they can provide the service.

Q. I only want to buy the internal cardboard coffin - where can I get one?

A. The internal coffin is available separately and can be purchased from an authorised Funeral Director or from Joseph A. Hey & Son directly by post. Please note; in the interests of public safety orders will only be accepted if payment is received in full by credit/debit card and a verifiable fixed line telephone number is received.

Q. What practical limitations are there in using the Coffin Cover?

A. At the time of introducing the Coffin Cover the maximum internal size available is 6'2" in length and 22" wide. For a person who may be larger than the sizes shown, the family would need to purchase a traditional coffin of the appropriate size.

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