Membership Application FUNERAL CONSUMERS ALLIANCE OF LOS ANGELES P.O. BOX 122

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Please complete and return a form for <u>each</u> individual member. Type or print with a pen.

SECTION 1: MEMBERSHIP INFO Member #1

| First Name | Last Na | me | | | |
|--|-------------|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| Address 1 (Street or P.O. Box Number) | | | | | |
| Address 2 (If Necessary, Unit # or Apt. #, etc.) | | | | | |
| City | State | Zip | | | |
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| Mobile Phone | | | | | |
| Home Phone | | | | | |
| Email Address (Newsletters and me | embership | info, meetings, etc. | | | |
| Someone we can call if we can't rea | nch you. (F | Provide name and number.) | | | |
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| PLEASE NOTIFY US IN CASE | ANY OF | THE ABOVE INFO CHANGES. | | | |

THANK YOU.

SECTION 2: MEMBERSHIP FEE

| Membership Fee and/or Donations by ch | neck should be sent | to: | |
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| FCA of Los Angeles P.O. Box 122 Cressey, CA 95312 | | | |
| Membership (\$50 each) Donation (optional) Total | \$\$ \$\$ | | |
| Be sure to make your check payable to ' | 'FCA of CA" for the | appropriate amount. Be | sure to Memo |
| "FCALA New Member" on your check. | Also, be sure to incl | ude your membership ap | plication, one |
| per person. | | | |
| Very Important! Memberships begin | when your applicat | ion and your check hav | e been |
| received and processed. | | | |
| DISCLAIMER: By typing your electronically. You agree that y your manual signature on this provided in lieu of electronic si | our electronic s application. Cu | signature is the lega | al equivalent of |
| Signature of New FCALA Mer Conservator | nber or D | ate | |
| Printed Name of New FCALA Conservator | Member or | | |

SECTION 3: STATEMENTS OF UNDERSTANDING

1 The Lifetime Member understands that:

- the Funeral Consumers Alliance of Los Angeles (FCALA) is a 501(c)(3), non-profit, nonsectarian organization entirely operated by volunteers working to protect consumer's right to choose a meaningful, dignified, and affordable funeral
- the FCALA <u>strongly</u> recommends that everyone reviews the information at (<u>www.fcalosangeles.org</u>) or at other sites via links provided prior to making any funeral-related decisions so that you can learn about your rights as a consumer and protections available to you by the Federal Trade Commission and State of CA Consumer Affairs Department, etc.
- the FCALA <u>strongly</u> encourages everyone to visit all the local funeral homes in their area so they can meet the staff, see the facilities, collect written information, and review their findings in the comfort of their home where they are free from any pressure to make a purchase. (As with other consumer products and services, the least expensive product or service is not necessarily the best one for you. Nevertheless, the most expensive product or service does not guarantee the best offering either.)
- the FCALA does not endorse, steer, or encourage anyone, in any way, to seek services over any other local mortuary or funeral home
- o he/she is under no obligation to use any funeral home or mortuary services
- o monies sent to FCALA are non-refundable.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT/UNDERSTANDING

I have read and acknowledge the content of this page and understand the above statements.

SECTION 4: INSTRUCTIONS FOR FINAL ARRANGEMENTS THIS SECTION SHOULD <u>NOT BE MAILED</u> TO US WITH SECTIONS 1 -3. MORTUARY OR FUNERAL HOME SELECTION:

Name of Funeral Home Mortuary you want to use.

| Street Address | | |
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| City | State | Zip Code |
| Phone Number | | |
| Fax Number | | |
| Fmail Address | | |

PART 1: TYPE OF SERVICE

DIRECT CREMATION:

(If you chose cremation, select one of the following choices or explain below.)

Direct Cremation I will provide container, no service

Direct Cremation use the least expensive from funeral home

Other (Explain how you'd like your Direct Cremation handled.):

DIRECT/IMMEDIATE BURIAL:

My non-embalmed body to be transported in the least expensive container to the

(Cemetery plot should be arranged in advance, otherwise, embalming may be required at additional charges.) Graveside services are also available for an additional charges. There may be additional charges for service outside a specified distance from the mortuary. Be sure to find out in advance.

PART 2: FINAL DISPOSITION

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| If cremation is chosen: | |
| a) I wish_to claim the ashes or arrange for their | disposition. |
| b) Other | |
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| If immediate burial is chosen: | |
| a) I have made arrangements regarding my int | erment as follows: (Location of burial plot, |
| mausoleum or other instructions: | |
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| b) I wish no memorial service. | |
| c) I wish a memorial service to be held at: (Indi | cate church, funeral chapel, private home or other |
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| Clergyman or other person to conduct service: | |
| (Check box(es) if applicable.) | |
| I leave the decision as to a memorial service | to my next of kin. |
| Instead of flowers, I prefer memorial gifts sent | t to: |
| I appoint | as my Primary Designated |

Person to make any other necessary decisions regarding my final arrangements and disposition. If cannot fulfill that role, I appoint

Person.

SECTION 5: WHAT DO I DO NOW?

- 1. ONLY SEND US PAGES 1 3..
- 2. Give copies of Pages 4 7 to:
 - o your Primary Designated Person,
 - your Secondary Designated Person,
 - o and any family member or friend whom you want to know your final wishes.

WHAT DO I DO ONCE-A-YEAR?

- Be sure to review Pages 4 7 once-a-year to make sure that all your selections are current and up-to-date. Sometimes people change their mind about their final arrangements. Other times a change in a Designated Person is necessary.
- If changes need to be made, just get new copies of whichever page(s) you need from our website or contact us. Once Pages 4 7 have been completed, be sure to give copies of the new documents to your:
 - Primary Designated Person,
 - Secondary Designated Person,
 - any family member or friend whom you want to know your final wishes,

As always, we at the FCALA are committed to helping you, your family member(s) and friend(s) via education and encouragement to get educated, know your rights, and don't get taken advantage of. We know thinking about these things isn't a lot of fun, but just know this. By doing the "heavy lifting" now, you're saving your family member(s) and friend(s) a lot of heartache at a very sad time because you took the time to plan ahead. Strong work!

Call us at (213) 222-6440 or send us an email. We're here to help!

DECLARATION

I DECLARE THAT THE FOREGOING TO BE MY WISHES AND AFFIX MY SIGNATURE HERETO: I understand that neither the Funeral Consumers Alliance of Los Angeles (FCALA) nor its volunteers incur any obligation in regards to any of the services requested herein. Moreover, neither the FCALA nor its volunteers act as an agent for me or my designated person in execution of these instructions. Payment is due the assigned mortician at the time services are rendered.

Signature of New FCASMC Member/Conservator Date

Printed Name of New FCASMC Member/Conservator