



A Unitarian Universalist Memorial Service

Unitarian Universalist Memorial Services celebrate the life of the deceased with readings, music, sharing from family, friends and loved ones, and optionally, a eulogy by the minister. Ultimately the purpose of Unitarian Universalist Memorial Service is to celebrate the life of the loved one who has died and minister to the living.

Please also look at our other related brochures located in the lobby or by request:

Memorial Garden Brochure

Facility Rental Brochure

Funeral Consumers Alliance of Central Arizona

Unitarian Universalist
Congregation of Phoenix

Memorial Services



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Description of Services

Ministerial Services

A minister plans the memorial service with the family and officiates, offering opening words and prayers, facilitates sharing, offering a eulogy (if desired) and closing words. If requested, the minister offers a eulogy and officiates at the committal (graveside interment) or scattering of ashes.

Active Member Honorarium: There is no fee if the settled minister performs the service.

Non-Member Honorarium: \$300 for planning and officiating, \$500 if a eulogy or committal is included.

Unicare Services

Unicare offers to provide door greeters and ushers and coordinating reception services.

Music Services

If you want UUCP to supply music for your memorial service, please contact music director Benjie Messer at benjiemesser@phoenixuu.org. We have access to excellent musicians in every style and on every instrument. We charge \$150/musician for memorial services, which includes music before the service as people enter, during the service as needed and as people exit the service.

A/V Technician

Unless your memorial service has fewer than 25 people, you'll want to use microphones, which require one of our audio/visual (A/V) technicians. A/V techs are also available to mic live musicians, play recorded music and set up our projector and screen. They are paid \$25/hr. with a three-hour (\$75) minimum.

Custodial Service

Provides setup and breakdown of chairs. Restores rooms to standard condition.

Reception Options

Informal

The Administrator hires a helper to serve punch and cookies provided by the Congregation in the Johnson Room.

Cost: No charge to members, \$125 to non-members

Self-Catered

Family and friends bring prepared and ready to serve food trays. The Administrator hires a helper to oversee setup and cleanup.

Cost: \$50 to members, \$250 to non-members.

Professionally Catered

Unicare will help you arrange for professional catering service. We have several we commonly use.

Cost: \$50 to members, \$250 to non-members

Memorial Garden Info

Interment in the Memorial Garden is open to all Unitarian Universalists. An application for interment is available in the congregation office and must be filled out and submitted with a suggested minimum donation of \$1000 for maintenance and improvements of the Garden.

The ashes may be scattered or buried in a selected location. Although records are kept of the site chosen, no markers or containers are permitted. The names of those interred in the Garden may be placed on a plaque near the sculpture for \$150 processing fee.

Donations to the Memorial Garden Endowment Fund in honor or in memory of a loved one may be made at any time. The Memorial Garden Endowment Fund is administered by the Unitarian Universalist Foundation (UUF). All Endowment Fund donations should be made out to the UUF with the name of the honoree in the memo line. All gifts are tax-deductible.