The **co-operative** funeralcare

Children's coffin and casket collection

Children's funerals

Please note the following pages are specifically designed for children's funerals.

When a baby or child dies, it is one of the most devastating things that can happen. We recognise how deeply distressing this can be for you and your family. We want you to know that we are here to help, guide and support you in whatever funeral you decide for your baby or child.

Children's Funeral Fund for England

The UK government has created the **Children's Funeral Fund for England** which means that a funeral for a baby or child can be arranged without worrying about some of the costs. These include burial or cremation fees, medical certification and a coffin or casket (up to the value of £300). You don't have to worry about claiming for this fund, our team will do all of this on your behalf. More information can be found about this here - **gov.uk/child-funeral-costs.**



Our services - free of charge

In addition to the Children's Funeral Fund for England, we have opted to include the following services for **children under the age of 18 free of charge:**

- Professional services (see page 4)
- Bringing your child into our care (see page 5)
- Care and attention (see page 5)
- A traditional hearse or limousine to a local crematorium or cemetery (see page 20-21)
- All necessary personnel to conduct the funeral
- Some third-party fees (see page 9, section A). Speak to one of our funeral co-ordinators for details.

Thoughts to consider

- Making a memory box can be very helpful and mean different things to different people. It can be a place to store your special keepsakes such as photos, a letter you have written, baby clothes, artwork or a favourite toy
- A lock of hair may be able to be taken for a personal keepsake
- Toys, photographs, letters, flowers etc. can be placed in the coffin
- Consider what your baby or child could be dressed in. This maybe a favourite outfit, baby-grow, jeans/tshirt etc
- An estate car or limousine can be used for a baby or small child, instead of a hearse
- For a baby's burial, ribbons can be used to lower the coffin into the grave
- At the funeral, our colleagues can wear colourful ties, instead of black
- If the baby or child is to be buried, there are a wide range of memorials available from teddies, fairies, Superman, cars etc. (subject to local terms and conditions)
- Themed personalised coffins/cremated remains caskets can be made with a favourite Disney or TV character, a rainbow, a favourite holiday photograph etc. (subject to local terms and conditions)

Please remember, whatever you choose for your baby or child, we are here every step of the way for you from the funeral arrangement and beyond with our Bereavement Centre (see page 60). We realise you may need us just as much after the funeral, as during the funeral arrangement itself, and we will be here to help.

Themed picture coffins

With Children's Funeral Fund FREE OF CHARGE

Picture coffins enable you to create a personalised design to reflect your child's special life. We have a wide range of designs for all ages, featuring favourite colours, different sports and popular characters. Should one of our many designs not be suitable, a full bespoke design service is available and can include family photographs or drawings.

Nursery rhymes & bedtime stories

Children's rhymes and stories can be a great starting point to gather inspiration. Be it a religious parable, a fairy tale or a nursery rhyme, the imagery within can produce a beautiful crib that holds a special meaning.



Cartoon characters & cherished toys

Many youngsters have a special fondness for a specific character or favourite toy. An image of a particular teddy or doll which was cherished by your loved one or a particular game you shared together can become a special point of focus within any design.

With Children's Funeral Fund FREE OF CHARGE

Eco coffin collection

Bamboo and willow coffins

A comforting and environmentally friendly alternative to the traditional style coffin. Hand crafted from natural and biodegradable materials, this style of coffin is also suitable for woodland burials. The coffins are all lined and include an inscribed wooden nameplate.



Bamboo

With Children's Funeral Fund FREE OF CHARGE

Willow

Infant and child willow coffins are available in natural willow or in soft white, pastel pink or powder blue.

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Natural woollen coffin

The Hainsworth Junior Woollen coffin is carefully hand stitched in Yorkshire using pure new British Wool, supported on a strong recycled cardboard frame.

The warm and tactile wool outer combined with the soft and padded interior gives an overall feeling of comfort evocative of a Moses basket.



Coffin for a child under 5 years old with Children's Funeral Fund **FREE OF CHARGE**

Coffin for a 5-17 year old child with Children's Funeral Fund **£15**



American casket collection

Purity family

Solid poplar wooden casket with a high gloss white finish and white ruched interior.

Please note these caskets are only suitable for burial.

Coffin for a child under 5 years old with
Children's Funeral Fund£845

Coffin for a 5-17 year old child with Children's Funeral Fund





£915

Ashley steel

20 gauge steel infant casket finished in white with powder gold shading. Complete with a white ruched crepe interior and sunburst pleated lid panel.

Please note this casket is only suitable for burial and a maximum size of 120 cm.

Coffin for a child under 5 years old with Children's Funeral Fund **£875**

Traditional collection



Traditional coffin

Our traditional child coffin is manufactured in a veneered chipboard with an inscribed name plate and matching brass plated handles.

Traditional coffin for a 5-17 year old child with Children's Funeral Fund **FREE OF CHARGE**

Traditional crib

Our traditional child crib is manufactured in a white veneered chipboard with an inscribed name plate and brass coloured handles.

Traditional crib for a child under 5 years old with Children's Funeral Fund FREE OF CHARGE



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Cherished Gowns

Cherished Gowns UK is a charity that provides families of babies that are stillborn, miscarried or die shortly after birth with items of clothing that they are able to be dressed in, for their funeral - **completely free of charge.**

The registered charity (No. 1172482) works closely with almost 250 NHS hospitals and directly with funeral homes on behalf of parents to provide packs that include a gown, hat, booties, blanket and a cloth nappy. All of the cherished items have been lovingly made by volunteers from all over Great Britain, and all of the gowns provided are made from generously donated wedding dresses. Since the charity started, over 100,000 gowns have been made from approximately 200,000 wedding dresses and over 250,000 items donated by knit and crochet volunteers.



If you would like to know more about this service or enquire about a free of charge pack, please speak to one of our funeral co-ordinators or visit **cherishedgowns.org.uk.**





We promise to give you the best end of life care, support and experience with a compassionate and ethical approach.

Whether you're arranging a funeral now or planning for the future, we'll give you the time, understanding and respect to ensure a fitting tribute.



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