

MITCHELL COUNTY
INDIGENT FUNERAL POLICY

RESOLUTION #344-94

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Board of Supervisors to determine the maximum amount to be paid on burial expenses for indigent individuals of Mitchell County, Iowa. The Mitchell County Community Services Director and the Mitchell County Veterans Affairs Director or their Designees, will be responsible for administering this policy.

ELIGIBILITY: Payment will only be made for an indigent person who has legal settlement, as defined in the Iowa Code, in Mitchell County.

APPLICATION: All applications must be made to either the Director of Community Services or Veterans Affairs and all payments or arrangements are subject to prior approval of the Director.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Supervisors of Mitchell County, Iowa effective July 1, 1995, that the maximum amount to be paid on burial expenses for an indigent individual will be \$1800.00 from the General Fund. Insurance, Social Security benefits, VA or other resources (savings, checking, bonds, etc.) of the individual are to be used toward this burial and paid to the Mitchell County Auditor.

In consideration of the payment of this sum the herein named licensed mortician or funeral home will provide the following:

1. Professional Services
2. Minimum cloth covered casket
3. Vault shall be a concrete grave box
4. Limited visitation hours
5. Facilities in which to conduct the funeral
6. One lead car and a funeral coach to grave site for family
7. Mileage within Mitchell County, however, exception, if to Iowa City/Rochester (outside county) 50¢ per mile will be paid in excess of \$1800.00.

OPENING AND CLOSING GRAVE: If the family cannot provide this service these will be considered by Community Services Director or Veterans Affairs Director, according to usual and customary fee.

CREMATION: If the family elects cremation, Mitchell County will pay the actual expense or a maximum of \$1800.00. No extra expense will be approved.

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INFANT FUNERALS: Mitchell County will pay actual expense not to exceed maximum of \$1800.00 for funerals of infants of one (1) year or less.

OTHER EXPENSES: If there is no family available the following services, CEMETERY LOT, FLOWERS, MUSIC, CLERGY, HAIRDRESSER, will be considered by the Community Services Director or Veterans Affairs Director, not to exceed \$325.00.

PAYMENT: Payment shall be made upon submission of an executed County Claim form with an attached itemized statement by the funeral director.

REVIEW: This RESOLUTION is to be reviewed annually.

RESOLUTION #344-94, reviewed and declared adopted this 29th
day of December 19 94.

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