

Member Policy for Memorial Services, Funerals, and Celebrations of Life

Whereas, the purpose statement of The First Unitarian Congregational Society calls upon us to care for one another, the following policy for memorials, funerals and celebrations of life shall be in effect.

Members of the congregation are entitled to reduced or no-fee memorials for themselves and their immediate families.

\$250 – Ceremonies Coordinator fee \$60 – Custodial fee (for services with receptions only) Ceremony Space – Free of charge

Additional fees will apply for receptions held in the church building and should be negotiated with the Ceremonies Coordinator.

Musicians' fees are not included and should be negotiated with the Ceremonies Coordinator.

Memorials should be scheduled with the Ceremonies Coordinator in consultation with the senior minister.

Members of the congregation are entitled to no-charge memorials for themselves and their immediate families with the following restrictions:

All no-charge services will be on Sunday afternoons, will be no longer than one-hour in length, and will not include receptions either before or after the service. No-charge services should be scheduled with the senior minister and are subject to her availability. No-charge services do not include musicians. Recorded music may be used.

For the purposes of this policy, "members" are defined as those who have fulfilled all requirements of membership as defined by the by-laws of the congregation and completed their prior year's pledge.

Immediate family is defined as parents, step-parents, spouses, children, step-children and siblings.

For the purposes of this policy, current paid staff and called clergy, and former called clergy shall be treated as "members". Former paid staff, hired clergy, and former members of the congregation may be provided "member" privileges with permission from the Board of Trustees or its designee

The Senior Minister is not available to officiate on Saturdays or Friday evenings. Outside officiants may be used. Fees may change at any time with minimal notice. Revised October 11, 2018