

Cemetery and Burials



Municipal Cemetery, Apex

For funeral arrangements within Iqaluit, contact:

Qikiqtani Funeral Services

Funeral Director, Jake Gebara,

867.222.0585

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Funeral Director Services

- Point of contact for residents
- Arranges for care of the deceased
- Offers guidance and support to the family
- Arranges for transportation of the deceased
- Handles paperwork, including obtaining a burial permit from City of Iqaluit
- Meets with families to discuss funeral arrangements
- Prepares bodies for burial
- Plans and organizes time and date of funeral
- Provides funeral services
- Oversees interment of deceased
- Arranges for placement of obituary notices in paper

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Funeral Arrangement Process

The Funeral Director will complete the appropriate paperwork for a burial permit, and will submit the application to City of Iqaluit for processing.

The City will process the application, and provide a burial permit, along with the burial plot location, within two business days. The permit will provide the date that the City's cemetery will be ready to accommodate a funeral service.

Once the Funeral Director receives the permit, they will contact the family to finalize burial arrangements.

Payment for services should be made directly to the Funeral Director. There are no additional fees charged by the City of Iqaluit at this time

Cemetery Information

The burial plot will be prepared in advance. City Public Works staff will not be on site during the funeral. The City will provide an internment ready, pre-dug plot with burial box. If the family wishes to cover the body, please make the request with the funeral director. Please note: only the Apex Cemetery is available for burials.

The City Public Works staff will return the same day *after the procession has left the site* to complete the burial/covering of the casket. For safety reasons, family members of the deceased cannot be on site while public works carries out this work.

Families can also expect:

- grave decorations may be removed after two weeks as part of ongoing site maintenance;
- grave sites will be topped up with soil and graded periodically;
- grave sites will eventually be covered with tundra sod; and
- to be responsible for maintaining the crosses at the graves of your loved ones.

To report cemetery maintenance issues, please contact 979-5630 or email s.avery@city.iqaluit.nu.ca