

Funeral Consumers Alliance of the Finger Lakes

**Table 1: 2019 Funeral Price Survey (Tompkins County)
Services and Merchandise Often Requested and Full Service Funeral Price Index†**

County and place	Funeral business and date on price list (a) Phone #	Services that include basic arrangements charge (b)				Merchandise: least expensive		Full service funeral price index (h)
		Direct cremation (c)	Direct burial (d,e)	Forward body (f)	Receive body (f)	Alternative container/casket (g)	Outer burial container	
Tompkins								
Dryden	Perkins 10 Feb. 2019 607-844-8161	2775 (2625)	3900* (3500)	3200	3200	125/1328	1270	6965
Groton	Shurtleff 10 Mar. 2014 607-898-3577	1920 (1845)	2170 (2095)	1280	1490	75/795	850	3840
Groton	Zirbel 1 Jan. 2017 607-898-3867	1895 (1805)	2125 (2025)	1525	1595	95/950	995	4915
Ithaca	Bangs 13 May 2019 607-272-1922	1990 (1850)	4370* (2875)	1675 (f-1) 1750 (f-2)	2075(f1) 2150(f2)	140	1240	4885
Ithaca	Herson-Wagner 8 Aug. 2018 607-272-2300	3845 (3725)	5370* (3340)	2695 (1800) i	2495	120	1485	5390
Ithaca	Ithaca Cremation Service 1 Aug. 2018 607-274-7544	995 (975)	Not offered	NL (1195) i	NL	20	NA	NA
Lansing	Lansing 1 Oct. 2018 607-533-8600	2740 (2545)	4490* (2995)	2895 (2545) i	2320	195/1695	1395	5455
Trumansburg	Ness-Sibley 1 Jan. 2019 888-534-5446 607-387-8151	2980 (2815)	2980 (2815)	1510	1510	165/975	1170	6610

NL: not listed. NA: not applicable.

Footnotes (Table 1)

† See Table 2 for the prices of individual services included in calculation of full-service funeral price index.

- a) Price lists (GPLs) were obtained in February and March 2019 and were represented as current. Prices are subject to change without notice.
- b) “Basic Arrangements” charge is a non-declinable charge for business overhead. This charge, which is specified in our Table 2, is added to the costs of services in that table.
- c) Includes alternative container for cremation. Price in parentheses applies if customer provides container. Price usually does not include crematory charge (approx. \$300–\$450), which appears as a cash advance on the funeral bill.
- d) Includes an alternative container or, if price is followed by *, a minimal casket. Price in parentheses applies if customer provides burial container.
- e) Add cemetery costs: plot, grave opening, outer burial container (vault or grave liner) if required, marker/monument.
- f) Forward body to, or receive body from, another funeral home. Shipping charge added if necessary for forwarding. Mileage charge added for ground transport beyond specified distances.
 - (f-1) Forward body to OR Receive body from Syracuse, NY.
 - (f-2) Forward body to OR Receive body from Rochester, NY.
- g) Single value indicates GPL combines prices for alternative containers and caskets, or that only one category was listed. Lower value is likely alternative containers made of cardboard. Contact your funeral home for specifications.
- h) Components of our funeral price index: basic arrangements, transfer of remains to funeral home, embalming, other preparation (dress, makeup), visitation/viewing, funeral ceremony, graveside ceremony, hearse.

Services and merchandise not considered in compiling our index are passenger vehicle, memorial service, custodial care, casket, outer burial container, cemetery costs, flowers, guest book, death certificates, obituary.

- i) This business also offers transportation of the body for donation to Upstate Medical University in Syracuse. Price for this service is shown in parentheses below the price for “Forward Body”.

In addition, for body and tissue donation contact the medical facility **before death** to set up a plan for donation. See www.fingerlakesfunerals.org *Anatomical Donation* for more details.