

What to do when death occurs

Home - When a death occurs at home and your loved one is not under hospice care, please call 911, and emergency personnell will respond to the home.

If your loved one is under hospice care, please call the hospice nurse, or affiliated hospice organization.

Ask the police officer or nurse to contact Beecher & Bennett Funeral Service at Hamden (203) 288-0800 or Meriden (203) 235-4152.

The following questions will be asked:

- Caller's name and phone number
- Relationship to the deceased
- Name of the deceased
- Address and directions to the home.

Our staff will respond to the location of passing and receive your loved one into our care. We will contact you and schedule a time that is convenient for you to meet with one of our funeral directors.

If cremation is selected, cremation will only occur after the necessary written authorizations have been obtained, and protocols and State of Connecticut regulations have been met.

Medical Examiner's Office - If your loved one is in the care of the medical examiner, please contact Beecher & Bennett Funeral Service at Hamden (203) 288-0800 or Meriden (203) 235-4152. We will then contact the medical examiner directly on your behalf to continue the process. Once any necessary information is obtained from the Medical Examiner, we will contact you to coordinate a meeting which best fits your schedule.

Hospitals, Hospices, Nursing Homes

Contact the nurse or physician. The nurse or physician will come to the room and make the pronouncement of death.

Ask the nurse to contact Beecher & Bennett Funeral Service at Hamden (203) 288-0800 or Meriden (203) 235-4152.

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Out of Area - Contact Beecher & Bennett Funeral Service at Hamden (203) 288-0800 or Meriden (203) 235-4152 and the Funeral Director will assist you. It is first important to determine if you desire any services in the current location of your loved one. If you do not, you should contact one of our staff members. We can coordinate a local funeral director and the transportation for your loved one.

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