

MOBILE COUNTY INDIGENT BURIAL PROGRAM



INDIGENT BURIAL/CREMATION ASSISTANCE INFORMATION LETTER

The purpose of the Indigent Burial Program is to provide a dignified cremation for persons who have passed away and have no resources to pay for the interment costs at the time of death.

Please complete the application and gather supporting documentation for each next of kin: surviving spouse, parent(s), siblings, and adult age child/children.

Email application and documents to indigentburial@mobilecountyal.gov or fax to: (251) 574-5080.

The County Administrator's Office will review the applicant's indigent status and the financial status of immediate family members according to the procedures of the Mobile County Commission and the State of Alabama guidelines. Once indigence is verified and application approved, the applicant will be contacted, and the contracted funeral home notified for arrangements. It will take 24-48 hours to decide.

Please note the following details below regarding Indigent Burial/Cremation Program:

- The decedent must have passed away in Mobile County.
- Unless prohibited by religious statute, the decedent will be cremated.
- The County does not provide subsidization of privately arranged funerals.
- The County bases eligibility on federal poverty guidelines.
- A review of insurance, income, property, and assets will determine eligibility.
- Lack of life insurance or a burial policy does NOT automatically constitute eligibility.
- A decedent with a prepaid burial plan, burial plot, or burial insurance benefits is not eligible for indigent burial funds.

If you have any issues or questions, you may contact us @ (251)-574-8746 or (251)-574-5980.