

**CREMATION AUTHORIZATION FORM** 

Name of Funeral Home: <u>SimpleCremation.org</u>

Address: 4301 E Loop 820 S

City, State, Zip: Fort Worth, Texas 76119

Phone: 855 -978 -5813 — Toll Free

Name of	Decedent:			_Case Number:		_ Age:	Sex:	
	Date of Birth:	Date of Death:_			Time of Death:			
	Pacemaker Authorizing Agent(s) initials:	Yes	No			Weight:		lbs.

## **BEFORE CREMATION TAKES PLACE**

- All necessary authorizations have been obtained, and no objections have been raised.
- Civil and medical authorizations must have issued all required permits.
- A Cremation Permit (Burial Transit Permit marked "cremation") from the Bureau of Vital Statistics MUST accompany this form.
- The 48 hour mandatory state waiting period must have expired, or have been waived in writing by the legal authority having jurisdiction.
- Any scheduled viewings or ceremonies with the body present must have been completed.
- The funeral home (or director) shall be aware if the decedent has any mechanical or radioactive devices or implants (such as pacemakers), as they may have to be removed prior to cremation. If such devices or implants should have been removed and were not, then the Authorizing Agent(s) will be responsible for any damages caused to the crematory or crematory personnel by such devices or implants.
- All personal possessions or valuable materials, such as jewelry, etc... if so desired, should be removed by Authorizing Agent(s) or Funeral Establishment prior to delivery to the Crematory. As the cremation container WILL NOT normally BE OPENED by North Texas Cremation Services, LLC (to remove valuables, to allow for a final viewing or for any other reason), arrangements must be made to remove such possessions or valuable prior to the delivery to the crematory. If not removed from the container prior to delivery, said items will be destroyed during the cremation process and disposed of, unless specifically listed and instructed otherwise on reverse side of this form.
- The crematory shall be Notified Prior to Arrival, of anyone wishing to witness the container being placed in the cremation chamber. Any such witnessing shall require a written waiver or hold-harmless agreement signed by the witness and the Authorizing Agent(s). North Texas Cremation Services, LLC reserves the right to charge an additional fee to accommodate such special requests.

#### **CREMATION CONTAINER**

Remains must be placed in a container for cremation. Such containers must meet the following standards: 1) be composed of Combustible Materials; 2) provide complete covering of the body; 3) be Resistant to Spillage or Leakage; 4) be Rigid for Handling with ease; 5) be able to Provide Protection for the Health and Safety of the crematory personnel. Steel caskets are inappropriate for the cremation equipment, and WILL NOT be accepted. Any decorative handles, rails, or latches that are noncombustible and could cause damage to the cremation equipment may be removed and disposed of by the crematory in a non-recoverable manner.

### THE CREMATION: PROCESSING OF THE REMAINS

- All cremations are performed individually unless authorized in writing by the authorizing agent of each deceased person.
- Cremation begins by placement of the cremation container in the cremation chamber where it is subject to intense heat and flame. During the cremation process it may be necessary to open the cremation chamber and reposition the remains in order to facilitate a complete and thorough cremation.
- Through the use of suitable fuel, incineration of the container and contents is accomplished and all substances are consumed and driven off, except bone fragments (calcium compounds) and metal (including dental gold and silver and other nonhuman material) as the temperature is not sufficient to consume them. The time for cremation to be completed varies with the size and weight of each human remains, but generally requires 1.5 to 3 hours.
- Certain items, including, but not limited to, body prostheses, dentures, dental bridgework, dental fillings, jewelry, artificial eyes and other personal articles and property accompanying the remains of the Decedent, will be destroyed during the cremation process.
- Following a cooling period, the cremated remains are swept or raked from the cremation chamber. Every effort is made to remove all of the cremated human remains from the chamber. However, a small residue, or dust, may remain in the cremation chamber, resulting in incidental or inadvertent commingling of minute particles of cremated remains with other previous cremations.
- After the cremated remains are removed from the chamber, all noncombustible materials (not previously removed) insofar as possible, will be Separated and Removed from the bone fragments by visible or magnetic selection and will be disposed of by the crematory in a non-recoverable manner.
- Because the skeletal remains often contain recognizable bone fragments, they are mechanically processed (pulverized) or reduced in size to uniform
  particles. This process of crushing or grinding may cause incidental commingling of the remains with the residue from the processing of previously
  cremated remains. The processed cremated remains, depending on the bone structure of the decedent will weigh between 4 to 8 pounds, and are
  usually white in color, but can be other colors due to temperature variations and other factors. These granulated particles of unidentifiable dimensions
  will be virtually unrecognizable as human remains.
- If an urn or other container is not provided to the crematory, or is insufficient in size to accommodate all the remains, the crematory will place the remains, or any excess, in a temporary receptacle (container) made of plastic or cardboard. Any receptacle containing excess cremated remains will be kept with the primary receptacle and handled according to the Disposition Instructions on the Cremation Authorization Form. It is recommended that any urn or container supplied to the crematory be a minimum of 200 cubic inches.

#### AFTER CREMATION HAS BEEN COMPLETED

- Cremation is NOT a final disposition, nor is placing the cremated remains in storage at a funeral establishment. The cremation process simply reduces
  the decedent's body to cremated remains or bone fragments. The urn or container containing the cremated remains will be returned to you or the
  individual, cemetery, or funeral establishment designated on the Cremation Authorization Form. If known, the permanent disposition of the cremated
  remains is, ex. Scatter, Inurnment, burial, keep at home, or unknown,
- If the cremated remains are not claimed by the 121st day following the date of cremation, then North Texas Cremation Services, LLC shall arrange for the final disposition or dispose of the cremated remains in any manner permitted by law. Such disposition may include commingling with other cremated remains, and thereafter the cremated remains of the decedent will not be recoverable.
- North Texas Cremation Services, LLC strongly suggests that you consult your funeral professional for the many options available for final disposition.

# LIMITATION OF LIABILITY

The obligations of North Texas Cremation Services, LLC shall be limited to the cremation of the decedent and the disposition of the decedent's cremated remains as authorized on the Cremation Authorization Form. No Warranties Expressed or Implied are Made, and Damages Shall be Limited to the amount of the cremation fee.

I/We, the undersigned (the "Authorizing Agent(s)") hereby authorize the cremation, processing, and disposition of the decedent listed above by North Texas Cremation Services, LLC ("the Crematory") in accordance with and subject to its rules and regulations, and any applicable state or local laws or regulations. I/We hereby request and authorize the Funeral Establishment listed above to take possession of, make arrangements for, and deliver the decedent to the Crematory, for cremation.

As the Authorizing Agent(s), I/We hereby agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Crematory and Funeral Establishment, their officers, agents, and employees, of and from any and all claims, demands, causes or causes of action, and suits of every kind, nature and description, in law or equity, including any legal fees, costs and expenses of litigation, arising as a result of, based upon or connected with this authorization, including failure to properly identify the Decedent or the human remains transmitted to North Texas Cremation Services, LLC the processing, shipping and final disposition of the Decedent's cremated remains, the failure to take possession of or make proper arrangements for the final disposition of the cremated remains, and damage due to harmful or explodable implants, claims brought by any other person(s) claiming the right to control the disposition of the Decedent or the Decedent's cremated remains, or any other action performed by the Crematory, the designated Funeral Establishment, its officers, agents, or employees, pursuant to this authorization, excepting only acts of willful negligence.

Following the cremation and processing of the cremated remains, the Crematory will arrange for the return of the cremated remains to the contracted Funeral Establishment. If the Authorizing Agent(s) chooses to Ship Cremation Remains or Release to a Designated Person, the Authorizing Agent(s) hereby authorizes the Crematory or Funeral Establishment to release, deliver, transport, or ship the cremated remains as specified. The Authorizing Agent(s) is Responsible for the Disposition of the Cremated Remains and No Remains Will Be Accepted Without Instructions for Disposition. In accordance with, 2003 HB 587, Chapter 716, Sub Chapter B, Sec 716.052, Article 11, b-1&2 Cremated remains not claimed by the 121st day following cremation will be disposed of. Check one of the following if applicable:

<b>■</b> 1. SHIP TO:				
	(Name of Individual to receive Cremation Remains)	Mailing Address	City	St/Zip
	(#1 is delivery of cremated remains via USPS, Priority from such shipment, and to indemnify and hold the Creshipment.)			
■ 2. RELEASE	TO DESIGNATED PERSON:		Relationship	

The cremation, processing, and disposition of the Decedent authorized herein shall be performed in accordance with the governing laws, rules, regulations, and policies of the Crematory and Funeral Establishment, and the following terms and conditions.

# ALL PACEMAKERS AND RADIOACTIVE IMPLANTS MUST BE REMOVED PRIOR TO DELIVERING DECEDENT TO NORTH TEXAS CREMATION SERVICES. LLC.

Mechanical or radioactive devices implanted in the remains of the Decedent (such as Pacemakers, etc.) may create a hazard when placed in the cremation chamber. The Crematory will not accept for cremation, any remains which contain such devices. In the event the remains of the Decedent contain such device(s), I/we hereby authorize the Funeral Establishment, its agents and employees, to remove said device(s) and dispose of same at their discretion.

WE CANNOT GUARANTEE THE RETURN OF PERSONAL ITEMS LEFT ON A DECEDENT. ALL PERSONAL PROPERTY (JEWELRY, CLOTHING, ETC.) THAT IS NOT TO BE CREMATED MUST BE REMOVED PRIOR TO DELIVERING THE DECEDENT TO NORTH TEXAS CREMATION SERVICES, LLC.

List any items of value delivered to the crematory with the deceased and include instructions on handling of items:	
Personal property left on a body will be destroyed during the cremation process. Authorizing Agent(s) initials,	

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Signature		Printed Name	Relationship		Date
Address				Tel No (	)
	Street	City	State/ Zip	_ `	,
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