

Policy re: Funeral Notices March, 2021

The Jewish Federation of Edmonton publishes notices of upcoming funerals of, or of the recent passing of, a person who is or was a member of the Edmonton Jewish Community, or is connected with member(s) of the Edmonton Jewish Community, or which, for reasons outlined below, it appears notice of that person's passing will be of interest to members of the Edmonton Jewish Community.

The direction to publish the notice, and the information contained in the notice, including the deceased person's name, the location, date and time of the funeral or memorial, are all provided by the Chevra Kadisha.

The Jewish Federation of Edmonton will send out funeral notices in a timely fashion, free of charge, to all members who subscribe to this service via their subscription to Federation's weekly email newsletter, the J-Fed e-weekly, or who have specifically subscribed just to receive funeral notices.

The sending of a funeral notice is merely an announcement that a funeral will take place which may be of interest to members of the Edmonton Jewish Community, who may want to attend. It is not a statement with regard to the deceased's Jewish status, religious affiliation, or involvement in the organized Jewish Community of Edmonton.

If the Chevra Kadisha has allowed burial, Federation will issue a funeral notice. Funeral notices shall be issued by Federation for all community members who will be buried in the Edmonton Jewish Cemetery, regardless of synagogue affiliation or non-affiliation, regardless of issues such as organ donation, amputation, adoption, conversion status, circumstances of death or other similar reasons.

Funeral notices shall be issued for all parents, spouses, legal and common law, and all children of community members, regardless of whether they are buried in the Jewish Cemetery, or another cemetery in Edmonton, if requested by the spouse, parent, child, or other relatives who are community members. Funeral notices will also be issued in the Chevra Kadisha Society section of the J-Fed e-weekly for all former Edmonton Jewish Community members buried elsewhere around the world **if requested to do so by family members of the deceased.** 

Notices of unveilings at the Edmonton Jewish Cemetery shall be made in the J-Fed e-weekly throughout the year, but shall not be sent as stand-alone messages.