

Do You Want to Know About Hindu Funerals And The Death Rituals?



Hinduism has more than a billion followers worldwide. Hindu faith teaches that God is within every living thing, and the purpose of life is to become aware of this divine essence. The Hindu faith originated in India, but today there are many denominations worldwide, each with slightly different customs and beliefs. This guide will help you understand Hindu funerals and the death rituals that they follow.



Hindu beliefs regarding death:

Hindus believe that the physical body serves no purpose after death, so they cremate their loved ones. They choose cremation as a way to help with reincarnation and release the soul quickly. Historically, Hindu cremations would take place on the Ganges River in India; today, Hindus are cremated locally and funeral directors can accommodate the traditions and rituals of a Hindu cremation.

What are Hindu funeral rites?

A Hindu funeral usually follows a series of rituals, including bathing the body with ghee and other substances. The body is dressed in clothing appropriate to a member of the person's gender, and a garland of flowers is placed around their neck. A lamp is placed near their head, and rice balls (pinda) are sprinkled on top of it.





How long after death is a Hindu funeral?

Hindu death rituals dictate that a body should remain at home until cremation, which is usually within 24 hours of death. Hindu embalming is considered unnecessary, as most families want to hold a viewing for their loved ones before the cremation takes place. Family and friends visit the home of the bereaved to offer condolences and prayers.

What to wear to a Hindu funeral?

In Hinduism, the color black is not associated with mourning. Instead, mourners should dress in white. No head covering is required for either sex, nor are open-toe shoes. Women should dress conservatively, covering their arms and knees.



What happens after a Hindu funeral?

Hindu families typically mourn for ten to thirty days after a death. During that time, they may display the deceased's picture with a flower garland in their home. Visitors are welcome during this time. On the 13th day of mourning, they perform a ceremony called Pretakarma to help release the soul of their loved one before reincarnation. The first anniversary of the death is also marked by a memorial event in honour of the deceased's life.

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