



## Funeral Information

This sheet will provide you with important information about how we handle funerals here at Gibbon Baptist Church. Funerals are an important part of our church's ministry in and for the Gibbon community. I'm deeply sorry that you have the occasion to need a funeral, but we are honored as a church to be involved and will do what we can to be of assistance to you during this difficult time.

We consider funerals to be a Christian worship service. As such, funerals here at Gibbon Baptist Church are led by myself as the pastor of the church or by an officiant approved by both myself and the Board of Deacons. Funerals typically include some combination of Bible verses, Christian music, and a relevant message from the pastor.

### What the Mortuary Provides

The primary point of contact for funeral planning will typically be the mortuary of your choice. We regularly work with Gibbon and Kearney area mortuaries. The mortuary will typically coordinate with loved ones for the bulletin, flowers, music, graveside, and most other arrangements.

### What We Provide

- We provide an officiant, typically myself, for the funeral and graveside service. This is typically built into the mortuary's planning process financially and logistically.
- There is no charge for the use of the building or the cleanup which will be done by our staff custodian.
- We are able to provide a meal when that is desired. There is no charge, but we accept any gifts the family might wish to offer the church.
- For immediate family members of the deceased, we provide copies of "Good Grief" which is a book about dealing with grief.
- For a charge of \$75, we are able to provide use of the soundboard and a technician to run the sound system. If you as a family desire specific songs to be played at Gibbon Baptist, you will need to provide those to us on an SD card or thumb drive.

### Next Steps

If you have any questions or would like to begin plans for a funeral at Gibbon Baptist Church, please contact Elaina, our church secretary, or myself anytime at 308-468-5323 or [office@gibbonbaptist.org](mailto:office@gibbonbaptist.org).

*Pastor Jon Wymer*