

A Gathering Place for a Community

- 1. Planning Ahead: It relieves stress, anxiety and confusion because surviving family members don't need to make funeral arrangement decisions at an already highly emotional time. Prepaying your funeral expenses protects your assets from confiscation due to long-term care expenses and locks in current year costs. It gives you true "Peace of Mind", knowing you have taken care of your final arrangements as your last gift to your family.
- **2. The Service:** From start to finish, we attend to every detail involved in a funeral, memorial, or celebration of life service. We coordinate with the family and church, if applicable, to design a service that distinguishes and honors your family member. Our newly remodeled Home is truly a one-of-a-kind setting in which to commemorate a life.
- **3. Point of Contact:** We believe it is professionally thoughtful that a director answers our calls. Therefore, we do not use an answering service. When you contact our funeral home, you will be able to speak with a licensed director. Every time, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Our Home continues to be the epitome of genuine and timely care.
- **4. Veterans Benefits:** Did you know that every honorably discharged veteran is eligible to receive military honors at the service, or at the cemetery? There are other benefits, such as a free burial plot. We review these with you, as well. When a family has the veteran's discharge papers, we will also present an official United States flag.
- **5. Obituary:** Composing an obituary can help memorialize your loved one, and announce the service information to the public. It can also serve as a record for genealogical purposes. We assist you in any way you wish, whether you prefer that we write it or you may compose it yourself. We submit it to any publication you choose, or you may have it appear only on our website.
- 6. Official Certificates: We take care of contacting the doctor and obtaining his/her official signature, on the death certificate. We work with the family to obtain and record all of the legally necessary information for the certificate. Before we file it with the appropriate county office, we review the completed certificate with the family, for accuracy. We also help you determine how many certified copies should be ordered, for personal and/or financial reasons.
- **7. Social Security:** Your family may be eligible for certain benefits from Social Security. We provide step-by-step directions, and answers to questions such as "What do I do next?' "Are there fees I need to pay?" "Who do I contact, and how?"

- **8. Cemetery:** Each cemetery and church affiliated graveyard has its own regulations, hours of availability, and fees. We assist you as you make decisions about burial, interment, place and time.
- **9. Family Owned:** We have been locally owned and operated for 83 years. Unlike corporate funeral homes, we do not have to answer to remote stockholders or out-of-state entities. We answer to and serve the families who come to us, no matter the distance or circumstance. We strive to exceed the expectations of those who choose Robison-Bahnmiller Funeral Home.
- **10. Community Commitment:** Whether a village or metropolis, we believe the vibrancy of any community improves when businesses engage in what goes on, beyond the good work of their own commercial activity. We are very proud of what Robison-Bahnmiller Funeral Home has done, and we continue to be a significant presence as we volunteer for, participate in, and sponsor events throughout the year. Here are some highlights:

Lifetime Achievement Award from the Saline Area Chamber of Commerce

American Legion activities – especially on Memorial Day and Veterans Day

Veterans Honor Guard of Washtenaw County Washtenaw County Community Fair – winning bids at auction for livestock raised by youngsters in Steer, Pig, and Lamb Clubs

Saline Ladies Day Program

Saline Area Social Services

Local hospice organizations

Kiwanis Club

Rotary Club - Oakwood Cemetery Historical Enactment Tour

Saline "Main Street" events – Parades and Festivals

Saline Summerfest

Fire Department's Annual Chicken Broil

Boy Scout Troop (400) – Memorial Day Breakfast

Saline Area Youth Baseball & Softball – Team sponsors

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