

We are members of
the Funeral Directors
Association of New Zealand

We have fully trained and professional
Funeral Directors and Embalming Practitioners
whose standards and ethics are stipulated
by the FDANZ and the New Zealand Embalmers
Association, as well as reaching our own
high company standards.



Funeral Directors Association of New Zealand



257 Devon Street East, New Plymouth
Ph (06) 759 0912
www.vospers.co.nz - staff@vospers.co.nz

time to say goodbye

A funeral is a tribute to someone
close to you who has died.

A funeral is a celebration of life.

It should bring people together at a time
of sadness, and by sharing their grief,
help them to look ahead to the future.



257 Devon Street East - New Plymouth
p 759 0912 | e staff@vospers.co.nz | www.vospers.co.nz

people you can trust to look after your family



the extra mile

After the death of a family member or close friend, it is important to know you can depend on caring professionals to make all the arrangements that will ensure the funeral goes as planned.

At Vospers Funeral Home we will listen, guide you through the options, then take care of all the details to make the funeral service meaningful and everything you'd like it to be.

Vospers is proud to be a member of the Funeral Directors' Association of New Zealand (FDANZ) - an achievement that means families can be assured of a quality standard of service, integrity in everything we do, and a commitment to training our staff.

The FDANZ covers 85% of funeral homes around New Zealand.

Vospers Funeral Home is part of the Bledisloe group of New Zealand and Australian funeral homes. Being part of this wider group of companies gives you and your family access to the services of funeral homes throughout New Zealand and Australia.

funeral costs

Please feel free to discuss your budget with us or any concerns you have. We will be happy to give you an estimate of the costs for the funeral you choose.

The fees cover all the services outlined in this brochure, and comprise our professional time, the casket, and accounts paid on your behalf (such as flowers, newspaper notices, the fee for the organist or clergy etc) for services arranged for you and your family.

We can advise on a range of assistance available for families requiring help with funeral costs. Assistance and advice can also be given on closing bank accounts and on applications for funeral grants.

An account and the Death Certificate will be sent to you approximately seven days after the funeral. The person making the funeral arrangements has the ultimate responsibility for the costs involved and will need to sign an authority document for us to proceed with funeral arrangements.

There are also options of pre-paying for the funeral to relieve the financial burden on the family after the death. The plan we provide is the official Funeral Trust provided through the Funeral Directors Assn of New Zealand.



headstones and memorials

Vospers provide a range of high quality granite headstones and commemorative plaques that we can arrange to have installed in cemeteries throughout Taranaki.

The headstones offer a large choice of photographs, artwork and designs depicting any special interest in a person's life. Restoration of existing headstones and family plots can also be undertaken at any cemetery.

We provide quality assurance on granite headstones and on the craftsmanship by our registered Master Monumental Mason.

Our staff will be happy to guide you through the choices to be made.



after the funeral

To assist families during their time of bereavement, Vospers Funeral Home offers a book on grief, free of charge - 'Now What' to help adults understand the effects of grief after bereavement.

We also have a library of resource books available to help people of all age groups cope with the death of someone close.

If you feel you need someone to talk to, someone who can provide support and reassurance at your time of bereavement, Vospers provides after-care support. Our support person is available, at no charge, to listen and offer assistance to bereaved families to help fill the void many people feel when the funeral is over.

Our support person has the understanding and compassion to offer a sympathetic ear, the answers to many questions people have at this difficult time, and can put people in touch with other services that they may need.

These are just some of the many ways Vospers Funeral Home demonstrates understanding the needs of families and friends going through the steps of bereavement.



community

Established in New Plymouth by the Vosper family in 1933, Vospers Funeral Home moved to its present location in Devon Street East in 1954. Alterations have taken place to make our chapel and catering facilities as modern and comfortable as possible for the community we serve.

As part of your community, Vospers is involved in public education on grief and bereavement. We are available to speak to community groups, church groups, schools and service clubs about funerals and aspects of bereavement. We are also active in the training of 'helping professions' in our community including nurses, clergy and community support agencies.

chapel & reception rooms

Our premises include an attractive chapel with comfortable seating for 100 people plus there is additional overflow space, a fully equipped reception lounge, ample car parking, casket display lounge and private viewing area where families can say their final farewell in privacy and homely comfort.

The chapel has a fully integrated sound system for playing all formats of music, as well as the option to live stream the service via the internet.

Vospers offer a reception lounge and catering facility, which is popular with family and friends to gather after funerals. Caterers will serve tea, coffee and juice, as well as your choice of sandwiches, hot savouries and sweet slices, which are provided at competitive prices.



It is important to choose the funeral service that is right for you and your family. The experienced and caring professionals at Vospers will advise you on the choices available



Bruce Hanrahan



Andrew King



Jacqueline Cox



Brent Fraser



Mary Harker

making the right choices

- the different types of ceremony to meet your needs
- the best location for the service: church or chapel, at home, at the graveside, or other appropriate venue
- who should officiate: a priest, minister, celebrant or family members
- whether you would like viewing of the deceased, and if the viewing should be at home, or the funeral home. Tastefully furnished, comfortable rooms available offering families privacy
- the option to have a burial or cremation
- the choice of flowers or charitable donations
- a personalised funeral notice
- the clothing and jewellery you would like your family member to wear
- casket selection, including eco-friendly options
- the order of service, the choice of music and hymns
- service sheets and memorial attendance record
- options for personal tributes and powerpoint presentations
- where to have, and how to arrange a gathering following the funeral service

taking care of details

Once choices are made, Vospers' professional and caring staff can help with all the necessary arrangements including:

- the registration of death and necessary documentation
- contacting appropriate burial or cremation authorities, as well as contacting the doctor, coroner or hospital and collection of certificates
- arranging national or international transportation or repatriation in New Zealand or overseas
- liaising with clergy or funeral celebrants, assisting with the service and organising funeral details
- provision and preparation of the casket, which you can select from our showroom
- providing viewing facilities
- providing transport for the funeral in our fleet of hearses and cars
- arranging a personalised floral tribute
- embalming, when appropriate, to ensure preservation and natural presentation
- preparing and placing newspaper notices locally, internationally and on-line
- co-ordinating powerpoint presentations, playing of music and video recording the ceremony
- arranging catering if required
- designing and printing service sheets with hymns and readings with your input
- liaising with community groups such as RSA, sports and service clubs
- arranging monumental masonry for the memorial stone
- assisting with applications to WINZ or ACC if applicable to help meet funeral expenses
- arranging the scattering or burial of ashes, as well as providing quality urns

