### Friargate Quaker Meeting, York

## **Your Quaker Funeral**



Recording your information and guidance in this form will help your partner or spouse, your close relatives or friends, or other appropriate people who will be responsible for making decisions about your funeral. You may wish to consult them about this before you fill it in. It will also help Friargate elders to make arrangements.

They can help you with additional local information, or visit <u>yorkquakers.org.uk</u>.

It is helpful to make a copy or fill in a second form for your family, or to store with your will. The last page provides short explanations about Quaker procedures.

Whilst it is helpful to record wishes you may have, it is not advisable to be too prescriptive. Circumstances may change and not always allow those responsible to carry out things as planned.

After you have filled in the form, please seal it in the envelope, write your name on the front and hand it to a member of staff for safe keeping in the meeting house office. Please remember that you may change or update the form at any time.

- Please fill in the form as relevant to your circumstances.
- Not everything may apply to you; you may not have wishes in some respects. You may only wish to record basic contact details and information.
- If you wish to provide additional information, please use page 7 or a separate sheet of paper.

#### Your details

Your Name	Your date of birth
Your address	Your home landline number
	Your mobile number

# Key people or contacts in your life

Who will be responsible for your funeral arrangements?		
Relationship(s)		
If preferred, or for reasons of space, please sheet.	e write contact information on a separate	
Address	Phone numbers	
	Email address	
Other contact information		
Please give details of executors named	in your will if you wish:	

Who is your solicitor?	
Address	Phone number
	Email address
Where is your Will kept?	
If your will is not kept at home or by one details here. You may also wish to store  Address	of the people named above, please provide a copy with this form.  Phone number
Address	Phone number
	Email address
Others to be informed of your death	(Continue on separate sheet if need be)

## **Arrangements**

Do you have a preferred funeral director? Please give details					
Have you registered your wishes on the N	IHS D	onor Re	egister?		
	Yes		No		
If you would like to register your wishes regawww.organdonation.nhs.uk	□ rding	organ de	□ onation yo	ou can do se	o at
How would you like your body to be disp	osed (	of?			
Cremation					
Ashes scattered at					
Ashes buried at					
Burial at York Quaker Burial Ground					
Burial at Scotton Quaker Burial Ground					
Burial elsewhere (Please give details)					
Green burial (Please give details					•••
Medical research  If you choose medical research, please tick	□ :a sec	cond cha	oice as we	e//	
Other					

	Yes	No	
Where would you want meeting(s) for w	orship to b	e held?	
At the burial ground			
Friargate Quaker meeting house			
Other Quaker meeting house			
Crematorium or cemetery chapel			
Elsewhere (Please give details)			
Do your have any specific wishes regar			
Other Quaker meetings to be informed	of your dea	th	
Should death notices be published?	Yes	No	Don't mind
In The Friend			
Elsewhere			
Please give details			

Would you like a Quaker meeting for worship to be held at burial/committal?

Who should be notified of arrangements Please write a list, with addresses, or say w	-	-	n be found. If
necessary continue on a separate sheet.			
At burial/committal would you like			
	Yes	No	Don't mind
Flowers?			
Gifts to charity?			
Music?			0
Please give details			
Would you want a memorial meeting to be held later? If yes, where?	Yes	No	Don't mind
			0
Do you have any special wishes regardir	ng the me	morial meeti	ng (eg food)?

Please use this space for other comments/inform	nation, if needed.
Your signature	Date

#### If you are unfamiliar with Quakers or Friargate Quaker Meeting ...

**Quakers** are members of the Religious Society of Friends and also referred to as Friends.

A Quaker meeting for worship is held on the basis of shared silence. Those present may contribute spoken ministry if so moved. It is held for an agreed period of time, with worship ending when two elders present shake hands. Others present may then often also shake hands.

**Quaker membership** is with an Area Meeting, which comprises several Local Meetings. Members attending Friargate Local Meeting belong to York Area Meeting.

**Quaker elders** are appointed by area Quaker meetings and are responsible for the right holding of Quaker worship at their meeting. At Friargate, if there is a request for a Quaker funeral, named elders are appointed to liaise with family members. They can advise on local arrangements and are also present at any Quaker meetings for worship held following the death of a Friend. Quakers do not have paid ministers.

**Initial contact** with Friargate Friends following a death may be made by contacting staff at Friargate Meeting House:

Tel. 01904 624065, Email: friargate@yorkquakers.org.uk They will then contact Friargate elders on your behalf.

Funerals, burials and committals can all include a form of Quaker worship.

**A memorial meeting** may also be held. For example, at the burial ground or crematorium a short period of worship may be limited to a small group of people. This can be followed, either afterwards or at a later date, by a memorial meeting, marking the life of the Friend who has died.

#### Quaker burial and cremation are both available in York.

There are Quaker Burial Grounds in the centre of York, and near the Nidderdale village of Scotton. These can also be used for the interrment or scattering of ashes. Elders can advise about these possibilities. You will also find information on our website <a href="mailto:yorkquakers.org.uk">yorkquakers.org.uk</a> (Follow links to Friargate / Committees/ Burial Grounds.)