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# *Life Celebration*<sup>®</sup> Cremation Education Guide — *by James O'Donnell Life Celebration<sup>®</sup> Home*



**W**e are honored that you have chosen a Life Celebration<sup>®</sup> Home to take care of your loved one and family. It is our mission to not only serve your family but to also help you begin to find a sense of peace and healing.

**T**his is your Cremation Education Guide. We ask that you look through this guide and find the best option to share the story of your loved one and family. You will use this guide to help in planning personalized touches within the Life Celebration<sup>®</sup>.

# Choosing Cremation Gives You Options

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For some, the traditions that are the most meaningful to their lives don't involve the traditions of death and burial. For others, a specific place calls to them even after they're gone. Despite leaving this world, we all hope the joy of living life will go on uninterrupted for our friends and families. Every family's journey is different, so every memorial should be different, and choosing cremation doesn't limit your choices.

Some families just want a quiet space to experience a beautiful moment and reflect. A special place or a moment in time is what other families choose to remember to honor the life of their mother, father, son, daughter, or friend.

Why did you choose cremation for your friend or family member? Did they want their ashes transported and scattered somewhere special? Or instead of a traditional funeral, was the plan to produce something more meaningful or long-lasting.

Whatever your choice is, whatever their story, we're here to help your family travel back down the path of their life and celebrate in a way that is unique to them and unique to you. Love is the greatest gift that one generation can leave to another.

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**Traditional Funeral  
Followed by Cremation:**

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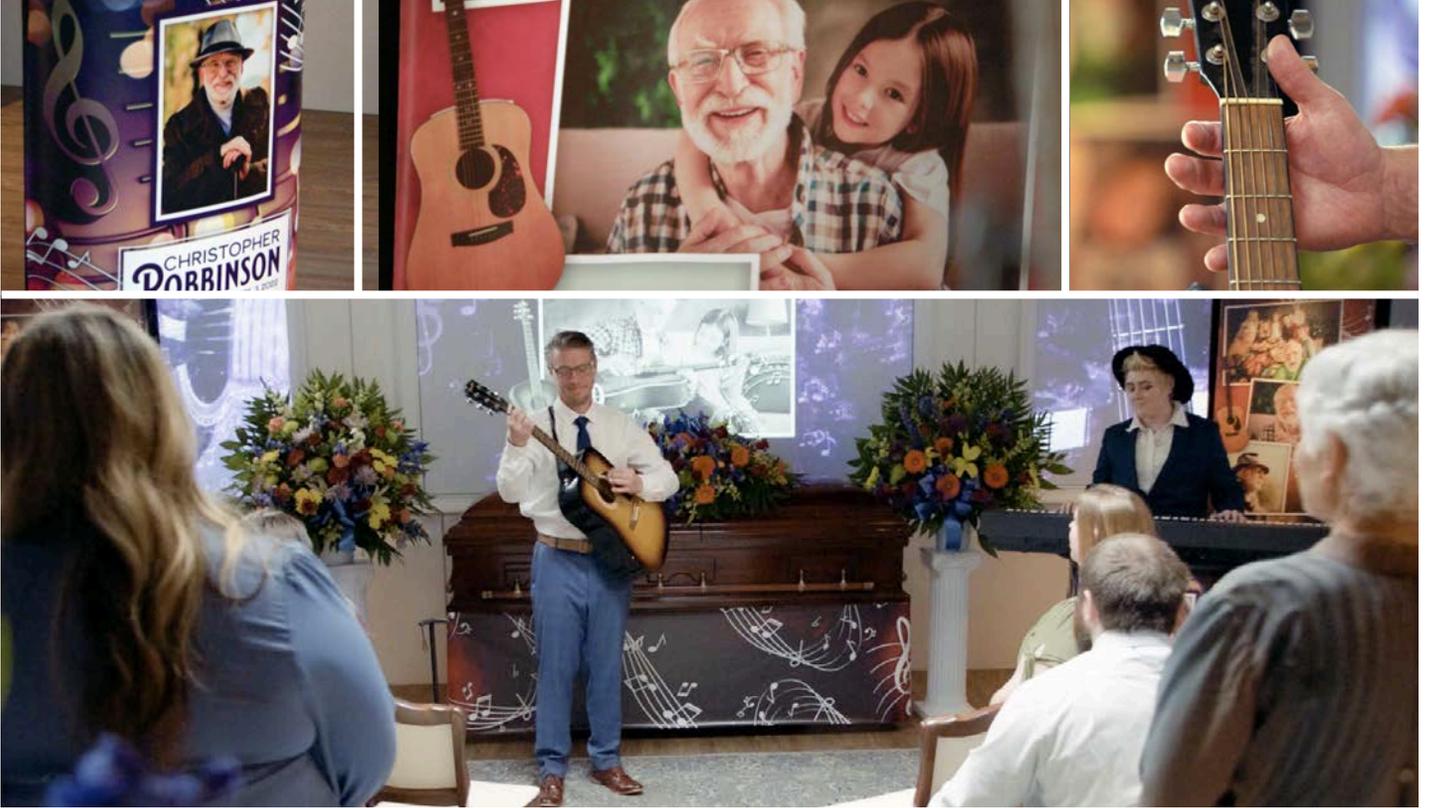
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Memorial Cremation:**

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Direct Cremation:**

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# 01 Traditional Funeral Followed by Cremation:

Everyone in life is trying to capture time. You must provide that time to people who lost the one they love. Cremation is a very popular choice when it comes to an “end of life experience” however, most individuals do not realize that in order to begin a new healthy walk down the path of their own lives, they must begin to grieve and heal in a sharing environment with family and friends.

Simply put, cremation is a mode of disposition just as if one were to choose a traditional funeral. This is a very personal and important decision for everyone to make but what is crucial is for the ones left behind to discover the ways in which they can grieve through the company you keep while in a Life Celebration® Home.

The truth is, you cannot press the pause button on grief. Most often, people who choose cremation sometimes unknowingly do not allow themselves enough time to grieve properly and realize their own psychological needs. You, your family, and believe it or not, your loved one’s co-workers (the people who have spent 80% of their lives with the one you love), all deserve an opportunity to grieve and heal. Having your loved one present for a funeral service followed by cremation is a bona fide path to healing that ministers to the needs of everyone throughout the experience. A Life Celebration® Home has the ultimate responsibility to provide a nurturing path of healing for everyone.



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## The Life Celebration® Memorial Cremation:

Although having the one you love present during a Life Celebration® Service is recognized as being very powerful in the grieving and healing process, a Life Celebration® Home's healing guidance provides alternatives for families that choose cremation.

This is accomplished through staging an educational, entertaining, and escapist environment that communicates the life of the one you love. This includes the people, the passions, the hobbies and the spirituality that encompass a life.

A Life Celebration® Home's mission is to discover and then arrange the themes, the parts, and the people to attend to the present while shaping the future for everyone we care for.

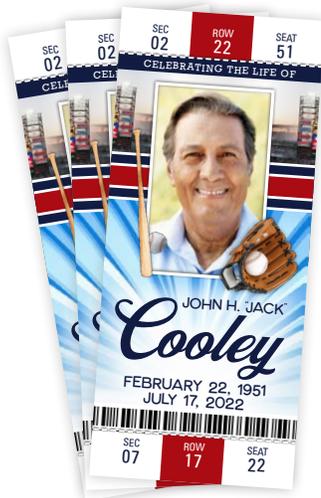




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## The Life Celebration<sup>®</sup> Direct Cremation:

Some families may choose to have a direct cremation and at our funeral home we respect every choice a family makes. Even the simplest services can offer powerful methods of honoring and sharing. Our goal at the James O'Donnell Life Celebration<sup>®</sup> Home is to honor the family's wishes while still providing a path for them to grieve and heal effectively.





## 01 SHARING

How do you want your loved one to be remembered? We are here to help you tell their story. By sharing memories and information within this guide, you will help us begin to get to know your loved one so that we can begin to co-create your loved one's Life Celebration<sup>®</sup>. It is our mission at Roller Life Celebration<sup>®</sup> Home to guide you through this experience and to help you begin to heal.



## 02 CREATING

It is our passion to create unique and personalized memorial tributes. We will incorporate all of the details you include within this family guide into your loved one's services. Please provide us with up to 25 photos that are representative of the span of your loved one's life. Bring them in with you for the arrangement conference or a few days before the service. You can also share the images with us digitally via email. We are here to help you every step of the way.



## 03 CELEBRATING

We encourage our families to celebrate the life of their loved one. The love of our family and friends who have passed away does not leave us. Love lives on through memories and stories shared. We will celebrate the life of your loved one with personalized touches and unique tributes centered around your loved one's unique life.

*Life Celebration<sup>®</sup>*

CREATING COLOR AND LIGHT  
IN TIMES OF DARKNESS