



חסד של אמת
CHESED SHEL EMES

Staff is on call 24/7 for your
assistance at **204-582-5088**

PLANNING

a Jewish funeral

During this time of profound sorrow, we want you to know that **we are here** to support you every step of the way. We understand that there are many details to consider, and we aim to ease that burden, guiding you through each part of the process with sensitivity and understanding. Our compassionate and dedicated team is committed to honouring your loved one with the utmost care and respect.



SHMIRA

While in our care, your loved one is accompanied by a **Shomer** (a Jewish guard) who recites **Tehillim** (Psalms) and other related readings. Shmira is a beautiful way to **show respect and compassion** for the body and soul.

Friends & family are welcome to take part in Shmira with us, even if only for an hour or two. Our staff **will provide** reading resources, or you may choose to sit in **quiet reflection**. Please **phone us** to make the proper arrangements if you wish to honor your loved one this way **204-582-5088**.





TAHARA

Tahara is our **ancient ritual** of **washing and dressing** the deceased with prayer and intention.

The central theme of the ritual is **spiritual purification** through the pouring of water.

Gender appropriate teams of **trained volunteers** perform the Tahara on the day of the funeral service.



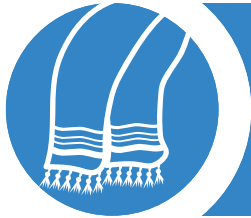


TACHRICHIM

The burial outfit is a set of modest and simple **cotton garments**, sewn locally by our **volunteer sewing circle**.

The set includes a tunic top, pants with a drawstring waist, and a head covering to **symbolize holiness and equality**.





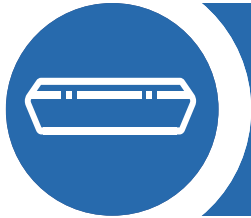
TALLIT

Individuals are buried with the **Tallit** (prayer shawl) they wore in life.

The tallit may be dropped off at **1023 Main St.** the **day before** the funeral service.

Please phone us at **204-582-5088** to make the arrangements for drop off.





ARON

We offer **one style of casket** with rope handles.

A **kosher casket** is made of **wood** with no metal components.

Small holes are cut in the bottom to promote **return to the earth.**





PALLBEARERS

The Hebrew word for funeral is levayah, from the root "**to accompany**".

Six Jewish individuals are needed as pallbearers to **carry the casket** to the hearse at Chesed Shel Emes and from the hearse at the cemetery.

Immediate family members may serve as pallbearers. Individuals must be able to competently **lift and carry**, and **need proper footwear**.

It is an **honour**, not an imposition, to be a pallbearer.





FUNERAL

Funeral services may be held graveside or in our historic chapel.

Webstreaming is available at no charge.

Recorded funerals are housed on our **website** for public viewing:

chesedshelemes.org





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