



national home funeral alliance

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nhfa LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE

Many of you are familiar with the monthly teleconference hosted by the Education Committee. Due to a growing interest in legal rights and how they vary from state to state, the Legislative Committee of the NHFA would like to invite you to our first teleconference devoted to legislative issues. This teleconference is offered in addition to the regularly scheduled monthly teleconference.

Join us on September 28th at 8PM EST to meet the NHFA Legislative Committee and to begin the discussion about where we go from here. We will introduce some of the topics we have confronted and share some success stories.

Did you know?

Home wakes/vigils are legal in every state.

In 41 states family members can process the paperwork (death certificate and transport permit) and take their deceased to the crematory or cemetery.

BUT

In 9 states (CT, IL, IO, IN, LA, NY, MI, NE, NJ) there are specific laws that require families to pay a funeral director to do the paperwork and/or transport the body.

Someday these same restrictions could be enacted in your state. We need to know how to react to potential legislation that would hurt families' right to choose a home funeral. But, more importantly we need to know how to proactively work to secure these rights in all states.

To participate dial [1-661-673-8600](tel:1-661-673-8600) and use access code 238466, and then #, when prompted.



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- * When you speak please say your name first so we know who is speaking
- * Land lines are preferable over using cell phones as they provide clearer reception.
- * Please refrain from using speaker phones as they pick up background sounds and it makes it more difficult for people to hear.
- * If possible, mute your phone until you are ready to speak, again to eliminate background noises. How do you mute your phone? Different phones have different methods, if your phone doesn't have a "Mute" button try The Power Of *6 (Pressing *6 on your telephone can immediately mute/unmute your individual line. This can help to avoid almost all noise problems associated with static or interference on a conference call.)

We look forward to speaking with you and, especially in this first meeting, hearing your concerns and suggestions for topics for future legislative teleconferences.

Peg Lorenz, Legislative Committee chair