

D.I.Y. Funeral Workshop

Learn about end-of-life planning and care

Gain the know-how to run an affordable and dignified funeral process.

The average cost of a N.Z. funeral is \$10, 000. Depending on whether you use cremation or burial, that's up to ten times more than you need to spend.

This workshop combines short slide presentations with sessions where you start taking practical steps to plan end-of-life care and avoid funeral debt - for yourself, family, and friends.

- End-of-life care, advanced care planning, wills, power of attorney and probate
- Negotiate the paperwork so you don't have to pay "professional service" fees
- Care and transport of the body
- When you need a coffin and when you don't. Coffin alternatives
- The pros and cons of cremation vs burial. New ecological methods
- The politics and history of funerals
- Community initiatives, collective action, support and reform
- And much more.

Saturday 23rd Sept, 10am to 4pm, Paraparaumu Library Meeting Room OR Saturday 7th October, 10am to 4pm, Petone Community House Cost \$60 (\$50 for Death Without Debt subscribers)

Melanie Humphries Connolly (End-of-Life Doula/Registered Nurse) has a background in palliative care nursing and is co-facilitator of the Hutt Valley Death Cafe which provides a friendly space for conversations around dying, death and living.

Fergus Wheeler: (Convenor, Death Without Debt) combines practical experience with policy analysis to educate and advocate around N.Z.'s dysfunctional funeral paperwork system.

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