Over the years your pet has become an important member of your family with their own personality and habits. Facing the death of this family member can be very difficult. The caring professionals at Butler Funeral Homes & Cremation Tribute Center are always working to help families through this tough time. Our cremation center has an area and cremation chamber dedicated solely and completely to companion animal cremation. We provide you with many options, allowing your family to feel comfortable with the difficult decisions you must make. You can trust us to always treat your pet with dignity and respect.



I love cats because I enjoy my home; and little by little, they become its visible soul. Jean Cocteau



From the first time you hold a pet, a bond begins to grow. Pet owners usually take great measure to make sure their pet receives regular healthcare, a balanced diet, grooming and plenty of exercise. In return the pet offers unconditional love and constant companionship. It's only natural then for a pet to be thought of as a member of the family. With the death of a pet, the family often experiences the same grief and sense of loss as it would for the "human" members of the family.

For the comfort of our community, Butler Funeral Homes & Cremation Tribute Center offers a separate crematory dedicated exclusively to pet cremation.

> Merchandise Includes: Pet Caskets . Traditional Urns . Photo Urns . Figurine Urns . Burial Markers and Grave Memorials . Buddies [™] Paw Print Jewelry



Pet Services

900 South Sixth Street Springfield, Illinois 62703 (217) 544-4646 Toll Free 1-877-724-6381 www.butlerfuneralhomes.com Remembering your pet with dignity and respect.

> "Ask of the beasts and they will teach you the beauty of this earth."

> > St. Francis of Assisi



"Animals are such agreeable friends; they ask no questions, they pass no criticisms." George Elliott

"A dog is the only thing on this earth that loves you more than he loves himself."

Josh Billings

Why should I choose cremation for my pet?

If you are having a difficult time deciding about disposition of your pet, you should consider cremation. In today's mobile society you may not wish to bury your pet in a home or city where you may not be in ten years. Or, perhaps you currently do not have space to bury your pet on private property. Cremation offers a solution to all of these issues you may be facing.

Will I have a chance to say goodbye?

When you lose a great friend it is important to say goodbye.



We understand this need and always allow you a chance to come in and visit your pet one last time. Simply call us at (217) 544-4646 Monday through Friday, between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to set up an appointment.

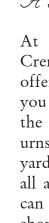
What are my options?

Private Cremation - Your pet will be placed in the cremation chamber individually and with no other companion animals. The cremated remains will then be returned to you in a temporary container or permanent container of your choice. The remains are yours to keep and cherish.

Communal Cremation - Your pet will be placed in the cremation chamber with several pets. Cremated remains will not be returned to the owner. Following group cremation, dignified disposition will take place at a local, privately-owned site.

Transfer Services – If needed, we can pick up your deceased pet from the vet office or your residence Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for a modest fee. Our personnel will bring your pet and accompanying identification and paperwork to our facility where we can keep them until cremation is possible.

> *"My little dog – a heartbeat"* at my feet."



Edith Wharton

Additional Options: Roselawn Pet Cemetery

If you are having a difficult time deciding about disposition for your pet, you may consider the pet burial services offered at our affiliate, Roselawn Pet Cemetery.

Roselawn Pet Cemetery has been specifically designed to provide for private burial services, including single or multiple spaces available for both traditional or cremation burial in a beautiful, park-like setting. Graveside ceremonies are also available for families who wish to have an opportunity to say good-bye to a beloved pet in a setting designed to allow their family and close friends to be with them. Roselawn Pet Cemetery also offers many options for permanent memorialization and remembrance, including pet caskets, urns, grave memorials, and keepsake items.

For additional information about pet burial options, please call (217) 525-1661.

"A good dog never dies; he always stays; he walks beside you on crisp autumn days when frost is on the fields and winter's drawing near, his head is within our hand in his old way."

Mary Carolyn Davies

"Dogs are better than humans because they know but do not tell."

Emily Dickenson

A special way to say goodbye.

At Butler Funeral Homes & Cremation Tribute Center we offer information that will help you and your family with grieving the loss of your pet. Pet caskets, urns and transferable residential yard markers are also available all at reasonable costs. Our staff can answer all your questions and show you our complete selection of pet memorial merchandise. For more information or for a tour of our facility, please call us at (217) 544-4646.



"When I play with my cat, how do I know that she is not passing time with me rather than I with her?"

Montaigne