

# AUTHORIZATION TO VENT CASKET

## 1. PARTIES AND DEFINITIONS:

“FUNERAL HOME”:            
(Name of Funeral Home)

“REPRESENTATIVE”:            
(Use Reverse Side for Additional Names)  
(Name of Representative)

“DECEDENT”:            
(Name of Decedent)

“CEMETERY”:            
(Name of Cemetery)

“CASKET”:            
(Make and Model of Casket)

2. RELATIONSHIP OF REPRESENTATIVE: The REPRESENTATIVE warrants and represents to the FUNERAL HOME that the relationship between the REPRESENTATIVE and the DECEDENT is as follows: (Check the appropriate box).

- Spouse
- Next-of-Kin (Closest Living Relative)
- Personal Representative of the Next-of-Kin with written authorization of Next-of-Kin to act on his or her behalf.
- Other:

3. AUTHORITY OF REPRESENTATIVE: The REPRESENTATIVE warrants and represents to FUNERAL HOME that the REPRESENTATIVE is the person or the appointed agent of the person who by law has the paramount right to arrange and direct the disposition of the remains of the DECEDENT and that no other person(s) has a superior right over the right of the REPRESENTATIVE.

4. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY REPRESENTATIVE: The REPRESENTATIVE has been informed by the FUNERAL HOME that the CEMETERY requires that caskets that are entombed in a mausoleum or other above-ground facility must be vented. The REPRESENTATIVE understands and acknowledges that such venting will eliminate the protective features of the CASKET that were designed to safeguard against the entrance of water or other substances into the CASKET.

5. AUTHORIZATION TO VENT CASKET: The REPRESENTATIVE authorizes the FUNERAL HOME to vent the CASKET in the manner required by the CEMETERY.

6. INDEMNIFICATION: The REPRESENTATIVE agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the FUNERAL HOME from any claims or causes of action arising or related in any respect to this authorization to vent the casket or the FUNERAL HOME’s reliance thereon.

DATE:  
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SIGNATURE OF REPRESENTATIVE:  
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**ADDITIONAL REPRESENTATIVES**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Relationship to Decedent</u></b>	<b><u>Signature</u></b>
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