

# MORTUARIES NEAREST SIERRA COUNTY

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## Chapel of the Angels

530-273-2446  
250 Race St.  
Grass Valley, CA 95945  
info@chapeloftheangels.com

## Hooper & Weaver

530-265-2429  
459 Hollow Way  
Nevada City, CA 95959  
info@hooperandweaver.com

## Blair Funeral Home

530-215-6621 or 530-283-9106  
392 Lawrence St.  
Quincy, CA 95971  
and  
760 East Sierra Ave  
Portola CA 96122  
blairmortuary@gmail.com

## Truckee Tahoe Mortuary

530-587-4342  
10126 Church St  
Truckee, CA 96161  
info@truckeetahoemortuary.com

# DEATH CERTIFICATES

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## Where do I get copies?

→ Death Certificates can be ordered for \$24.00 each through the Sierra County Clerk-Recorder's Office link on the website or by calling 530-289-3295.



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→ Your mortuary can also assist in obtaining death certificates.

## Examples of who may require a death certificate:

- The IRS
- The VA
- DMV
- Real estate or real property attorneys when transferring title
- Life insurance companies
- Health insurance companies
- Some brokers and banks
- Cemeteries or funeral homes



## NAVIGATING LOSS OF A LOVED ONE

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On behalf of the Sierra County Sheriff/Coroner we offer our sincere condolences to you and your family for the loss of your loved one. It is our hope this brochure will assist in answering many of your questions at this difficult time.

Case #: \_\_\_\_\_

Deputy: \_\_\_\_\_

## WHAT ARE YOUR NEXT STEPS?

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### → **Select a Mortuary**

The five closest options are listed.

### → **Notify Family & Friends**

The Sheriff's Office generally notifies only the first known next of kin.

### → **Is there a will?**

Determine if there are certified legal documents outlining final wishes.

### → **Request Death Certificates**

Certified copies will be required in various situations. How many copies depends on the extent of the individual's estate.

### → **Obtaining a copy of the Coroner's Report**

Family may request a copy of the final coroner's report at no cost. We ask that one family member be chosen as the point of contact and distribute the report to the family.

## What is an autopsy?

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An autopsy is a medical exam of a body after death. This might include an external and/or internal examination.

## When is an autopsy required by law?

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California law establishes four mandatory circumstances in which an autopsy must be performed by a county coroner:

- Suspicion of foul play
- Suspicion of infectious or contagious disease
- Infant death
- Inmate death

## If required, who performs the autopsy?

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Sierra County contracts with the Placer County Coroner's Office for forensic pathology services.

## How do I request a copy of the coroner's report?

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Contact the Executive Assistant to the Sheriff at 530-289-3700 or visit the Sierra County Sheriff's Office website at [www.sierracounty.ca.gov](http://www.sierracounty.ca.gov)

## Grief Counseling

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**Plumas-Sierra Crisis Line**  
877-757-0029

**Veterans Crisis Line**  
800-273-8255 – Press 1

**SIDS Parent Support Group**  
[sids-parent-support@googlegroups.com](mailto:sids-parent-support@googlegroups.com)

Sierra County Sudden Infant Death (SIDS) Coordinator 530-993-6730

**SAMHSA** (800) 662-4357

## Financial Resources

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**Veterans' & Family Member Burial Benefits**  
800-698-2411

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## Legal Assistance Resources

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**Sierra Superior Court Self-Help**  
[www.sierra.courts.ca.gov](http://www.sierra.courts.ca.gov)

**Legal Services of Northern California**  
530-823-7560  
[lsnc.net](http://lsnc.net)