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Effective Immediately

For: All Putnam County Funeral Homes

Due to the Coronavirus Disease 19 (COVID-19) outbreak in Indiana the Executive Order 20-04 from Governor Eric Holcomb's office will need to be followed for large gatherings. During a very difficult time of a loved one passing, it is an important for time for the family to grieve and celebrating the life of the individual they loved. With trying to adhere to the family's ability to do this, we as a community also need to be mindful of our goals for public health. The following recommendations will need to be considered:

Visitation limited to immediate family or no more that 50 people at a time in the building

Online condolences are encouraged

Utilizing telecommunications – live streaming when available

Maintain social distancing guidelines of 6 feet or more

If you are sick do not attend service in person

Families who wish to more fully celebrate the life of their loved one with extended family and friends should consider that options for a later date after the health crisis has passed.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

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Putnam County Health Officer



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