Caring For You And Your Loved Ones Since 1843.

Founded over 170 years ago, we have a depth of experience and expertise in the funeral customs of numerous faiths and cultures. This enables us to provide a service for a broad spectrum of the community.

Creightons was initially established as R.H. Creighton in 1843, set in the Brisbane Water District of the Central Coast. In the mid-1980s R.H. Creighton were re-branded and coined ‘Creightons Funeral Service’, adapting for the modern era. Now supporting the Hunter region, we cover a great area, including three offices: Cessnock, Kurri Kurri and East Maitland.

Creightons Funeral Service is part of our parent company, The Palmdale Group, which gives us direct communication with the famous St. Patrick’s of Nulkaba Chapel and the Palmdale, Greenway and Western Districts Memorial Gardens, extending our services directly with our local work colleagues. Palmdale, Western Districts and Greenway Memorial Gardens are a part of our family and they too are committed to maintaining the most modern facilities and equipment, as well as the most spectacular gardens for your family members to be at peace.

From organising a tailor-made service to memorials and 24/7 telephone support (1300 130 955), we will look after you like no other. This is our commitment to you and the reason we are regarded as one of the country’s most trusted and respected funeral service providers.

Today at Creightons we strive to guide you every step of the way, as we have done for nearly two centuries.
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**Locations & Facilities**

**Cessnock:** 296 Woolworths Road, Cessnock NSW 2325
**Kurri Kurri:** 182-186 Bunker Street, Kurri Kurri NSW 2327
**East Maitland:** 120 Melbourne Street, East Maitland 2323

Care Line 24 Hours/7 Days a week – 1200 130 953
Memorial Gardens

As a proud member of The Palmdale Group, our team work closely with the local Chapels and Memorial Gardens at Palmdale, Greenway, Western Districts, and the St. Patrick of Nulkaba chapel.

Palmdale Lawn Cemetery and Memorial Park

Set in peaceful, rural surroundings, Palmdale combines an extensive, manicured lawn cemetery with one of the Central Coast’s most magnificent collection of award-winning gardens. Featuring a diverse range of styles from traditional to modern, you have the opportunity to select the most fitting environment to memorialise your loved ones. With Palmdale’s two beautiful in-house chapels to select from – the spacious Hillside and the intimate Rose – you have the freedom to hold a service that specifically suits your needs. Both chapels are conveniently located close to the Café, Function Rooms and main car park, offering wheelchair access and disabled facilities.

Palmdale Lawn Cemetery and Memorial Park is located on Palmdale Road in Palmdale, NSW 2258 and is open sunrise to sunset, seven days a week.

Greenway Chapel and Memorial Gardens

With its picturesque woodland setting, convenient location and peaceful ambiance, Greenway Chapel and Memorial Gardens is a stunning location for a truly unforgettable funeral service and memorial placement. The Greenway Chapel, with its high ceiling and full glass walls that highlight the surrounding natural beauty, is the perfect place to begin your service. Comfortably seating 140 people, the chapel features fully integrated audio-visual facilities, giving you the ability and freedom to add your own personal touches.

Centrally placed among the well-established and maintained gardens is our Defence Force Memorial Wall, a feature that has become a focal point for the local Central Coast community to recognise and commemorate the local men and women that served our country.

Greenway Chapel and Memorial Gardens are open to visit from sunrise to sunset, seven days a week, located on the Central Coast at 460 Avoca Drive, Green Point NSW 2251.

St. Patrick’s of Nulkaba

St. Patrick’s of Nulkaba is a unique 1892 sandstone chapel, located in Cessnock and five-minutes from the heart of the Hunter Valley. Having supported the community for over 127 years, St. Patrick offers a traditional setting with historic sandstone walls and stained-glass windows, alongside surrounding landscaped gardens, making for a peaceful memorial service. Inside, the clerestory can seat up to 130 people for your loved one’s memorial service.

The chapel was previously established as a Catholic Church, built with its original slab-construction in 1872 for the small township of the ‘Village of Pokolbin’, before it was known as Cessnock. At this time, the town was developed as a service centre for local farmers and travellers, with a population of 52 as recorded in the previous year. In 1892 St. Patrick’s was refurbished as a Catholic Church and blessed by The Right Reverend Dr. Murray, Bishop of Maitland on Rosary Sunday in 1892. Over a century on the chapel still serves the community as a beautifully crafted sandstone chapel inside and out in the landscaped garden for your memorial service.
The Initial Steps

Nothing prepares you for the emotional shock of losing someone close, even when that passing may be expected. While we strongly recommend a Creighton’s Pre-Paid Funeral Plan to avoid these difficulties, we also realise that such pre-arrangements will not always be in place. We trust that the information provided in the following steps helps clarify the process of arranging a funeral. In doing so, it allows you to both consider, determine and record your options, as a step towards at least reducing some of the stress associated with the death of a loved one.

When The Time Comes

At Creighton's we understand that when a loved one passes away, whether it is expected or not, it can be difficult to know what you need to do. To help you through this difficult time our guidance may assist.

Cause of death and transfer of the body into care: A funeral director can only bring a deceased into our care when a medical practitioner has signed off on the medical cause of death. Depending on the circumstances, certification can be completed by: The family doctor or one at the nursing home, aged care centre, hospital or the coroner. These forms maybe called: Medical Certificate Cause of Death, Certificate of Life Extinct, Record of Life Extinct, or Doctors Certificate of Cause of Death.

Our Team

Caring For You And Your Loved Ones

We have a team of supportive funeral representatives ready to guide you through every stage of the process. From the very first call, Creighton’s staff are here to help. Our representative will guide, advise and assist you with all of the details and once determined, ensure that the arrangements you have chosen are carried out in accordance with your wishes. No request is considered ‘too difficult’ or ‘too unusual’. Our team are well prepared to cater for different cultures and traditions. Through our 170 years of operations, Creighton’s are well aware of the need to take into consideration the various personal requests of the families we are assisting – including and incorporating the rituals of relevant cultures and religions.

At our Greenway and Palm Dale function centres, we offer to help eliminate the stress of having your after-service fathering at home, by hosting it in one of our on-site venues. Here, our friendly and efficient catering team will ensure your function runs seamlessly from start to finish.

Guiding You Through The Stages

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Make Contact With A Funeral Home
We are available for calls 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and we can arrange to bring your loved one into care. We will look after you like no other. That’s our commitment to you and the reason we are regarded as one of the most trusted and respected funeral services.

Call us on our 24 hour Care Line, 7 days a week on 1300 130 955, or call our dedicated number for the Hunter region on (02) 4991 5556.

Meet With Your Creightons Representative
We will find a time that is convenient for you to either come in and see us, or for us to meet you somewhere you feel comfortable. The initial meeting with your Creightons representative will take around 1-2 hours in duration. We will answer all your questions and attend to all of the official details for the funeral, the burial or cremation.

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Day Of The Funeral
On the day of the service we will take care of everything. Our staff will look after you, your family and friends in a genuine and respectful way. We will conduct the funeral according to the choices you have made.

After The Funeral
Later, when it is a little easier to think clearly, many find comfort and relief by establishing a Memorial Site. Memorials are a wonderful way of establishing a permanent, tangible reminder of what a loved one meant to us while offering a focal point for ongoing reflection.

The Palmdale Group has established a Permanent Maintenance Trust Fund to ensure our memorial environments are maintained in perpetuity, giving you peace of mind knowing that the memory of your loved one will live on for the benefit of future generations.
Peace of mind with pre-paid funerals

We all plan for the future, both for the expected and the unexpected. We all plan for our retirement by establishing superannuation and we take out insurance for our home and contents, our cars, our health and our life. Establishing a pre-paid funeral plan is another important step towards planning for the future. Not only does it give you the opportunity to choose the type and style of service that you want, but it also ensures you release your loved ones of the need to plan and pay for funeral arrangements at a time when their grief will be more than enough to cope with.

By pre-planning a funeral with Creightons you can feel confident that you have selected the most established, trusted and respected funeral service in the Hunter. Established in 1843, Creightons has looked after more local families in their time of need than any other service.

Pre-Paid Funerals

What is a pre-paid funeral plan?

Like insurance, a pre-paid funeral plan is another way of planning for the future. In arranging a funeral there are many decisions that need to be made and making these decisions in advance allows you to ensure your funeral will reflect your personal preferences, including any special requests you may have. Once you have made your choices and paid for your funeral in advance, you can put the matter out of your mind and get on with enjoying your life.

What is the benefit of pre-paying my funeral?

When you establish a Creightons pre-paid funeral plan you pay for the funeral you want at today’s prices. So, no matter what happens to the costs between now and the day you die, you will be given the exact funeral you selected and paid for in advance. Importantly also, your Creightons pre-paid funeral plan ensures the financial burden and stress from your loved ones at a time when they are coming to terms with your loss.

I’m in good health – why should I make plans for my funeral?

Most of us establish health and life insurance when we are in good health because we feel insured and worry-free. We do the same for our homes. We do not like to think about dying when we are healthy but it is inevitable that it will happen to all of us one day. By establishing a Creightons pre-paid funeral plan you have the opportunity to select the funeral you want while giving your peace of mind knowing your loved ones won’t have to worry about the costs and many decisions associated with arranging your funeral when the time comes.

Pre-planning gives you the opportunity to select the funeral you want while giving you peace of mind.

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Kathy Pynsent
Hunter Valley Funeral Celebrant

‘Here to ensure the celebration of your loved one is personal and professional’

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Here at The Station we pride ourselves on providing our guests with a warm and friendly environment where they can come and honour their loved ones over refreshments. We offer a variety of diverse spaces to ensure you and your family and friends are comfortable. For more information and bookings don’t hesitate to get in contact.

At McAllister Legal Services, we’re here to provide you with support, protection, and expert guidance. With 18 years history of serving the local area, Lee-Anne McAllister is committed to helping your family through the process of losing a loved one in a supportive and informative environment.

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We are here to guide you through the legalities so you can focus on honouring and remembering your loved one.

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We understand that nothing can ease the pain of losing a loved one. Here at Oliver Campbell Heslop Solicitors, we have the knowledge and expertise to advise you of your rights and responsibilities as an executor and to assist you with handling an estate. We value every client and will use our knowledge and experience to provide you with top-quality professional expertise, even if the Will is held elsewhere.

Let us answer all of your questions.

At The Bank Hotel, we are focused on providing the highest levels of customer satisfaction & we will do everything we can to exceed your expectations. We have 2 private function areas to accommodate your family’s needs, as well as our warm and inviting bistro and bar area.

Located 2 hours North of Sydney & 40 minutes from the Vineyards!
I am passionate about celebrating your loved one’s life with a very personal, unique and meaningful service. I would like you to have the service that truly reflects, remembers and honours your special loved one.

Life is a journey... there is a story to be told, goodbyes to be said, time to reflect.