

burials and cemeteries

Forms of burial in Germany:

- **Burial** - The deceased person is buried in a coffin in a cemetery.
- **Cremation** - The deceased person is cremated. The ashes are buried in an urn.
- **Sea burial** - The ashes of the deceased person are buried in the sea in a special urn. This is only permitted in certain areas.
- **Tree burial** - The ashes of the deceased person are buried in a biodegradable urn near the roots of a tree.
- **Anonymous burial** - The deceased person is buried without mentioning their name. This usually takes place in a special area of a cemetery. The exact grave location is not known to the relatives.

What to do when someone dies?

When a person dies, there are many things that need to be arranged and taken into account.

For example:

- Call a doctor: a doctor can confirm death and issue a death certificate
- inform relatives
- Contact funeral home for help in organizing the funeral
- Apply for a death certificate at the registry office
- take care of the deceased person's contracts and finances

A **checklist** with the important steps after a death can be found here: [Checklist Death](#)
Information in easy language on the subject of death can be found here: [Information Easy Language](#)

Help and support with funerals

There are many **funeral homes** in the Karlsruhe district. They can help and support grieving relatives. For example, they obtain the necessary permits for the burial or for transporting the body abroad. They organize funerals and provide advice on choosing the type of burial.

An overview of the funeral homes in the Karlsruhe district can be found [here](#) .



A corpse certificate is required for repatriations. The corpse certificate can be issued by the health department. Ask your funeral director. They will submit all the necessary applications to the relevant authorities for you.

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