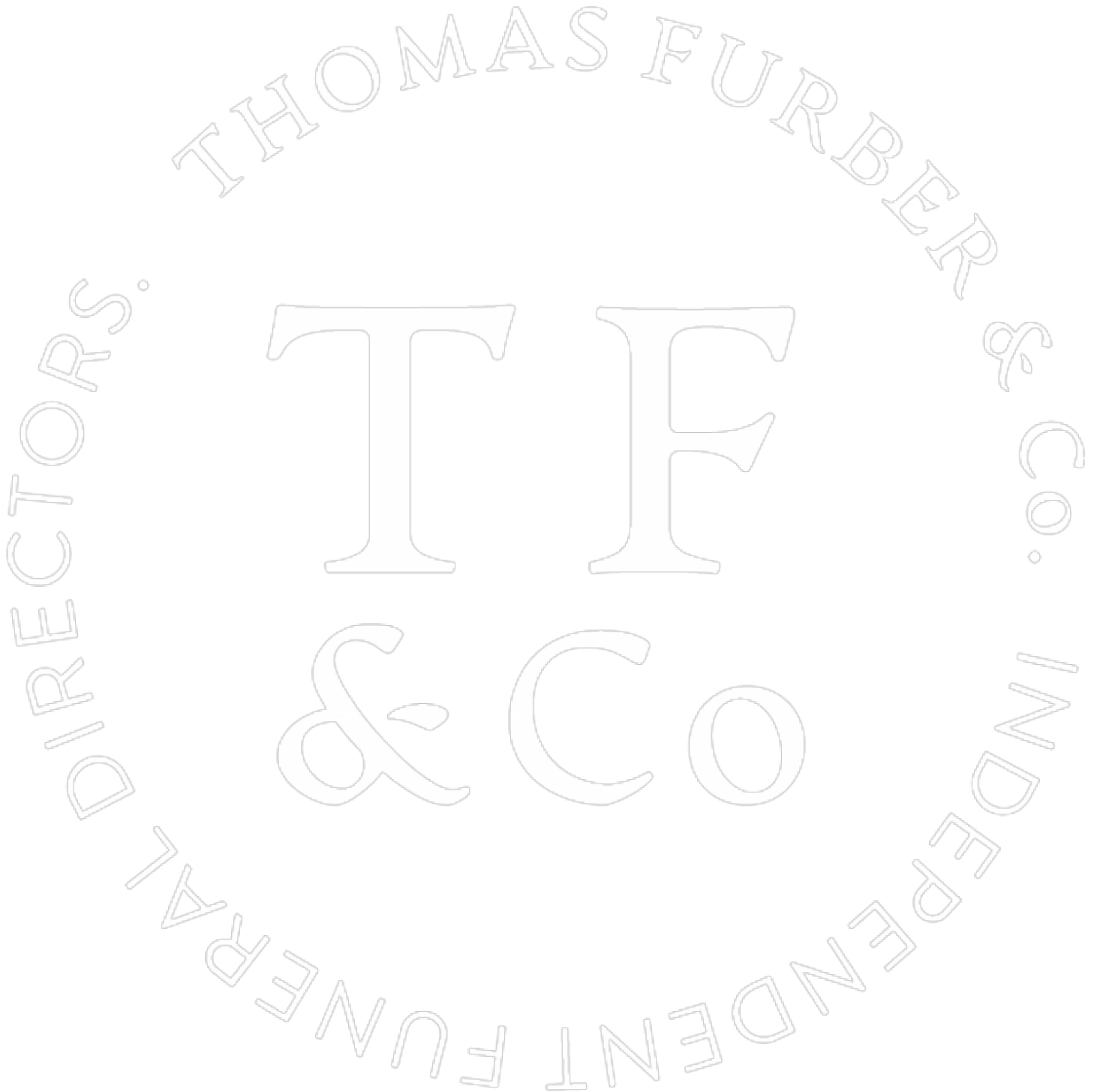


A Royal Funeral Following Common Rules

How funeral directors are observing social distancing rules with dignity



Birmingham, Edgbaston, Apr 19, 2021 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - The Duke of Edinburgh's funeral was watched by more than 13 million television viewers in the UK but the service itself could only be attended by 30 people in line with government guidelines for social distancing - indeed, even the Queen had to be sat alone for large parts of the ceremony.

While the day itself was said to be in keeping with Duke's wishes, many elements of the Funeral Plan

had to be modified in accordance with public health guidelines. But what are the current guidelines and how are Funeral Directors supporting families during these challenging times?

Birmingham-based Funeral Directors, [Thomas Furber & Co](#) like many in the UK have been making funeral arrangements by telephone appointment only. This is to ensure the protection of attendees and staff while a smooth and dignified ceremony takes place when the time arrives.

When it comes to family and friends paying their respects, Thomas Furber & Co have arranged for them to visit their Chapel of Rest where an appointment must be made and only two people are allowed in at a time and face coverings must be worn at the premises and at the funeral service.

To allow the [Birmingham based Funeral Directors](#) to operate safely, efficiently and with the utmost respect, they are in constant contact with professional associations, local councils, and local BID which combined help to keep the family-run business updated on the rapidly changing situation we are all facing. Director Keith Barren insists that *"It is vital that we do all we can to reduce the spread of the virus and that our funeral service employees (who are key workers) can remain healthy and able to continue supporting you and your family."*

Why Choose Thomas Furber?

- We are a family funeral business specialising in personalised family funerals, giving the personal touches that you don't get with the big chains.
- The team (Keith, Dave, and Sue) has over 100 years of collective experience, ensuring your day is hitch-free.
- Established in 1868, making us the oldest independent family funeral directors in Birmingham.
- Traditional or unconventional we cater for your every choice, and our flexible options accommodate every budget.
- We are an accredited member of SAIF, one of the top UK independent funeral associations, which is a guarantee the highest professional standards.
- Three on-site Chapels of Rest so no need to make unnecessary journeys.
- We help you celebrate your loved one's life with a ceremony as unique as the life they lived.

For further assistance and advice, or out of office hours assistance, please call us on; 0121 427 2233
Thank you for your help and understanding during these uncertain times.

Anyone who is supposed to be self-isolating or who shows signs of being infectious must NOT attend our premises. For up-to-date information on funerals following the recently revised Covid-19 guidelines in England, please see <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/national-lockdown-stay-at-home>



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