



## Guidelines for Lions Clubs International Funeral service

**(Please note this is not to be a religious service)**

Today we say goodbye to one of our most valued members (*insert name*)

(*Name*) joined our Association in (*Year*) and over these years he/she has served Lions Clubs International and his/her local club in the most dedicated manner, given service to the community and the world

*Outline club, District, Multiple District and International achievements and positions*

*Outline his/ her achievements such as awards, but do not let this all become too long in the presentation.*

*Then read out the Lions ethics and have Lions members stand, if possible have the club banner or International Flag on display*

### CODE OF ETHICS

**TO SHOW** my faith in the worthiness of my vocation by industrious application to the end that I may merit a reputation for quality of service.

**TO SEEK** success and demand all fair remuneration or profit as my just due, but to accept no profit or success at the price of my own self respect lost because of unfair advantage taken or because of questionable acts on my part.

**TO REMEMBER** that in building up my own business it is not necessary to tear down another's; to be loyal to my clients or customers and true to myself.

**WHENEVER** a doubt arises as to the right or ethics of my position or action towards others, to resolve such doubt against myself.

**TO HOLD** friendship as an end and not a means. To hold that true friendship exists not on account of the service performed by one to another, but that true friendship demands nothing but accepts service in the spirit in which it is given.

**ALWAYS** to bear in mind my obligations as a citizen to my nation, my state and my community, and to give them my unswerving loyalty in word, act and deed. To give them freely of my time, labour and means.

**TO AID** others by giving my sympathy to those in distress, my aid to the weak, and my substance to the needy.

**TO BE CAREFUL** with my criticism and liberal with my praise, to build up and not destroy.



*Perhaps have the club president come forward and present the clubs bannerette to the coffin and place on top*

Our founder Melvin Jones once stated that there is no greater gift man can offer to his community than service to others and Lion *(Name)* has done this and more

Let us not feel sad, but let us rejoice and thank the good Lord for the time we have shared together and the service we have given as members of Lions Clubs International

*If possible have the club members form a guard of honour as the coffin is leaving the church and as the deceased is placed in the hearse you may like to all clap in appreciation of his contribution to mankind*

*Sometimes if you can a DVD presentation could be presented, subject to the family saying yes.*

*COURTESY PDG BEDE LONG OAM*