

## **Obtaining a Cremation Release**

In 1992 the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania adopted an amendment to statute 1237, requiring all cremations in the State of Pennsylvania to be authorized by the Coroner or Medical Examiner in the County where the death occurred.

To obtain a cremation authorization in Cambria County, you must have the following:

- 1). A death certificate that is completed and signed by the person certifying the death.
- 2). A signed cremation release by the next of kin.

When both of the forms are completed, fax the information to (814)539-9057. If all the information is correct and there are no pending investigations into the death of the deceased, a cremation authorization will be faxed back to you as of March 2004, there is a fee of \$25.00/release.

**Remember:** You must request a cremation authorization from the Coroner or Medical Examiner from the County in which the death occurred.