

Website Notes

Funeral Consumers Association (FCA) of Tampa Bay

Back in 1999 I volunteered to set up a website for the Tampa Bay FCA. It was built using .html and included tasteful graphics and buttons to access the information and links to a number of funeral related brochures. The files were stored on the national FCA's website. Each time that information changed (like the rates), the .html files would be updated by me and uploaded to the national headquarters who would then update their server with the new files. This updating of files for all of the affiliates became quite a burden for the two-person staff (Josh & Nastassia) that comprises national headquarters.

In 2017, headquarters decided to go to a simplified format using WordPress wherein each affiliate could upload their own .pdf or .docx files (but not .html) built to a standard template. The information for Tampa Bay was extracted from the .html files, simplified to nine .docx files which were also interpreted as .pdf files and then uploaded using Wordpress. The Home Page file is the only one that contains information that can periodically change, like rates and contacts. And the Home Page is the easiest to call up in WordPress. To get to it, you'll need an email address and a password. The email address is an old one that is no longer but that's the way our WordPress "partition" was set up. It is memsoc@ij.net. To get the password, contact Josh Slocum or Nastassia Strackbein at 802-865-8300 - info@funerals.org

As of now, both the .docx and .pdf files have been uploaded to the national headquarters site. When changes are to be made, the intent is that the Tampa Bay's webmaster will change the .doc version and save it as a .pdf. Then upload both of them back up to the headquarters site: the .pdf version for viewing and the .docx for safekeeping and future updating.

On the next page are the files for the Tampa Bay FCA.

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Here are the files for the Tampa Bay FCA that are on the national headquarters' Wordpress server. These are only "linked to" from the Home Page:

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| Home Page | tb-fca-0.pdf | tb-fca-0.docx |
| Purpose | tb-fca-1.pdf | tb-fca-1.docx |
| How the FCA operates | tb-fca-2.pdf | tb-fca-2.docx |
| FAQ | tb-fca-3.pdf | tb-fca-3.docx |
| What the fees include | tb-fca-4.pdf | tb-fca-4.docx |
| How to join | tb-fca-5.pdf | tb-fca-5.docx |
| Procedure at death | tb-fca-6.pdf | tb-fca-6.docx |
| Final Arrangements (Version 1) | tb-fca-7.pdf | tb-fca-7.docx |
| Final Arrangements (Version 2) | tb-fca-8.pdf | tb-fca-8.docx |
| Website notes | tb-fca-9.pdf | tb-fca-9.docx |