

A funeral is an event full of memories

Two days ago, I was invited to attend the funeral of a person whom I've never met. Some individuals mention, "The only funeral you will get me to attend is my own." And because of the fear of death -or- some other reason, there are some people who say, "You'll never find me at a funeral unless they're a close family member."

What is it with funerals that makes us open up or makes us feel uncomfortable? For some, it's hard to let go realizing that for their loved one it is all said and done. For others, it's an emotional nightmare knowing they will not be talking to them again. For their special loved one, it's a day they may be thinking what will life be without them.

During your youth as you were growing up, did your mom ever say to you? "You are dirty." A child with the ability to make others laugh could reply, "That's just the way God made me." (Which probably brought up a few more comments about your shared faith and belief in God.) Our Savior made man from the dust of the earth and breathed life into him. Man became alive!

How long will your life be? Until recently, mankind didn't have the ability to see inside the womb. When will your last day be? (It is still in God's hands, although some would love to have this ability.) Could you imagine how paranoid one would be, if they knew what would be their last day to be alive? Now that's a super funny thought, what if you had the inside track actually knowing your last day to live?

On July 17th in the year 2052, that's the last day you'll be able to take in your last breath here on earth. Could you imagine what it would be like to be the only one with this knowledge? The day of your death...

Everyone would live each day without fear. We could let our children play with toys made with lead paint. Tobacco and alcohol companies would be fantastic investments because their products wouldn't cause death. And our bodies would be like invincible machines able to take massive abuse like junk food loaded with fat!

With all of the above written words having been said, "A funeral is an event full of memories."
(Like birth) Physical death only happens once in our lifetime! So, we gather together to honor our loved one's life.