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Free grief support for pet families



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ON THIS SITE, FAMILIES CAN

- Create a private memorial
- Track quality of life over time
- Walk through a guided farewell
- Set remembrance reminders



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FOR PET FAMILIES

TODAY

What to do right now

A practical checklist for the first 48 hours.

- Decide on body care.** Ask your vet about private cremation, communal cremation, aquamation, or home burial. No rush, but most clinics need an answer within 24 hrs.
- Keep their collar, a tuft of fur, or a paw print.** Your vet can help with ink or clay prints before aftercare.
- Tell one person.** You don't have to explain. Just let someone know.

THIS WEEK

- Cancel or pause auto-ship orders** for food, medication, or flea/tick prevention.
- Notify pet insurance** to stop billing.
- Update microchip records** if applicable.

WHEN YOU'RE READY (NO TIMELINE)

- Pick up ashes or memorial items
- Decide what to do with their belongings
- Write down one memory before details fade



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AFTERCARE

Aftercare options at a glance

Your vet can walk you through these.

OPTION	WHAT HAPPENS	COST
Private cremation	Your pet only. Ashes returned.	\$150- \$350
Communal	With other pets. No ashes returned.	\$50- \$150
Aquamation	Water-based. Gentler on environment.	\$200- \$400
Home burial	Check local regulations first.	Varies

CENTRAL MA AFTERCARE PROVIDERS

- Forget-Me-Not Pet Crematory** · Worcester
- Forever Friends** · Charlton
- Petrichor Aquamation** · Greater Worcester
- Final Gift Pet Memorial Park** · Central MA

GRIEF SUPPORT HOTLINES

- ASPCA Pet Loss** · (877) 474-3310
- Tufts Pet Loss** · (508) 839-7966
- Cornell Pet Loss** · (607) 253-3932