

Funerals [*Sogi*]

When someone close to you dies, it is usual to attend either the wake (tsuya) or the funeral (kokubetsushiki). Black clothing should be worn as a display of mourning. Men should wear a black tie. Money should be enclosed in special envelopes for the occasion (bushugi bukuro) (sold at convenience stores, etc.) and brought to the wake or funeral.

When a member of the family dies, the type of funeral will depend on the religion of the individual or family. In Japan cremation is usual. Undertakers (sogisha) carry out funeral services. Since fees vary according to the type of funeral, it is important to check with the undertaker.

Municipal Undertakers: Funerals are also carried out by Nishinomiya City Urban Development Corp.

Enquiries (Nishinomiya Toshiseibikosya Sosai Jimusyo) 0798-72-4997
(Also available on Saturdays and Sundays)

There are facilities which can be used as a hall in which to hold a funeral.

(Location) Funeral Hall

13-41, Kanbara, Nishinomiya City

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Note For details, ask a person who understands Japanese to enquire for you.