

Forever In My Heart Pet Cremation



Granite Falls,
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RLF Business
Spotlight

Losing a pet can be as difficult as losing a family member. Forever In My Heart Pet Cremation understands the strong bond families have with their furry friends and is available to honor that bond. With the help of the UMRDC CARES Act RLF, Anderson-TeBeest Funeral Home has been able to add this separate division of their business to serve pet owners in Southwestern Minnesota.

"Because we are pet owners ourselves, we understand how a pet becomes part of the family. We have been compassionately serving families at their time of loss for many years, we plan to extend that same level of service to pet families at their time of loss," says Kevin TeBeest, funeral director at Anderson - TeBeest Funeral Home who owns the business with his wife, Judy, who is also a funeral director.

As with any business venture, it takes a strong conviction to succeed. It also takes the ability to believe in yourself and to drown out the non-believers. "There will always be those that tell you that you will never succeed, but with the help of organizations like the UMRDC giving their support to new ideas, it is possible to explore them," says Kevin. "I enjoy the freedom that owning my own business gives our family. Even though the hours can be long, there are also many rewards."

Forever In My Heart Pet Cremation has its own separate space at the business's Granite Falls location. The goal is to provide area pet owners with the compassionate care needed when their pet dies. It is this understanding that is the driving force behind this new business. Kevin says they have invested not only in a comfortable space to make arrangements for cremation services which has a special room for spending some quiet time with the pet, but also specialty equipment to ensure the transport of your pet is done in a respectful and loving manner.

"We believe in being on the front edge of change rather than following trends," Kevin said, explaining that "they have always strived to adopt new practices and equipment to provide more respectful and compassionate care to the families we serve." Their pet services are no exception to this belief. In order to best honor your pet, all cremations are done individually. During preparations for your pet's cremation, you can choose from a variety of unique items to help you remember your pet. Forever In My Hart Pet Cremation offers several keepsake items, including jewelry and customized engravings. Along with each cremation a unique memory card is also created, which includes a photo and a paw print.



Anderson - TeBeest Funeral Home and Forever In My Heart Pet Cremation are here to provide the support you need following the loss of a loved one, whether it's a family member or a family pet. The TeBeest family does not take their role in this process lightly, treating each family with understanding and compassion in their time of grief.

"We truly feel honored to serve the communities of Montevideo, Granite Falls, and Dawson. In many cases, we have had a connection with them our entire lives. The Revolving Loan Fund has allowed our business to explore new ideas. With their help, we have been able to develop additional services that we can offer the families that we serve."



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