What is the Mennonite Burial Society?

The purpose of the Mennonite Burial Society is to grant a mutual aid benefit payment in support of the funeral expenses of deceased members. In 2016, we have over 10000 members. Our members pay an annual levy to help support this mutual aid.

To apply for membership in our society (see form to complete on our web site) you need to be a resident of Canada and meet some other requirements listed on the application. Once an applicant is accepted into the Society, by our board, they are free to move anywhere in the world, and are not restricted to Canada.

The intent of the Society is to foster a community within and among existing, self-identifying group by providing mutual aid in time of need.

Mennonite **Burial Society**

P.O. Box 28098 600 Ontario Street St. Catharines, Ontario L2N 7P8

Phone: (905) 228-1850 Fax: 1-877-285-6535

Info@mennoniteburialsociety.com www.mennoniteburialsociety.com

New Applicant Coupon

Receive a <u>50%</u> discount (year one) when you "join" or make a "referral"!

Please attach coupon with your application!

* maximum \$100 one time discount for each new family, and the associated referral

Mennonite Burial Society

Serving members for over 70 years

We are a Mennonite mutual aid society!

We provide funds to aid in funeral expenses to our members in time of need!

What does the levy member fee cover?

How are the levy rates and funeral benefit amounts set?

How to apply for the funeral benefit?

In the event of death, a funeral benefit is paid out that is set by the society each year (e.g. 2016 = \$6,600, if member is covered at 100%). For more details, please contact us at:

funeral@mennoniteburialsociety.com

What does the % coverage mean on my levy invoice?

The % coverage indicates what % of the benefit would be paid, in the event of death. This % is based on which age a member joins the society. For more details, please see the Constitution on the Information tab of our website at:

www.mennoniteburialsociety.com.

At the annual general meeting members of the society review, discuss, debate and vote on the levy amounts. Therefore revised levy rates and funeral benefit are not set by the board, or treasurer but by the members!

If you wish to attend an upcoming meeting, please contact us at info@mennoniteburialsociety.com.

The Annual General Meeting is normally the 2nd Saturday each January.

- 1) Pay the funeral home directly a copy of the funeral home invoice and death certificate can be mailed, faxed or scanned and emailed to us.
- 2) Pay to the Estate of the deceased member this would require an estate bank account which is not always available. The only paperwork required is per 1) above
- 3) Pay the executor/power of attorney/next of kin in addition to paperwork in 1) above, we also require completion of the Indemnity form and copy of the will.

Once the society receives the information noted above, we normally process payment within 2 weeks.