

Best Funeral Home: Murphy's Funeral Home

When it comes time to face some of life's most difficult decisions, David Murphy and staff show the utmost in care and compassion. Murphy Funeral Home has been helping people during those trying times since the 1930s. That longtime quality service is credited for Murphy Funeral Home of Martin being selected as the Best Funeral Home consecutively over the past 11 years in the Weakley County Press Readers' Choice Awards.

David Murphy, owner and operator, is a third-generation funeral director. The business was first started by his grandfather, L.A. Winstead, in the 1930s and later taken over by Doug Murphy. Murphy Funeral Home was initially located in downtown Martin and moved to its current location in 1944.

Murphy, and his staff members Donna Wilson and Keith Pettit, understand the



grief and trauma people go through when they have to make those tough decisions. They understand most families are not thinking clearly and they strive to help them cope with their grief.

"Whether you want to or not, you build those relationships and it's a great reward," Murphy said.

In June 2014, David Murphy was inducted into the Tennessee Funeral Directors Association's Hall of Honors, becoming just the 19th

person to be inducted in the TFDA's 111-year history. "That's pretty special to me," said Murphy, who was quick to credit his employees for making the family business successful.

"If it were not for the employees that work with me, both in the funeral home and my flower shops that give me the kind of support I need, none of this would have happened," he said of the honor.

Donna Wilson has worked with Murphy almost 30 years and has been a licensed funeral director for 22 years. Keith Pettit has worked as a funeral director for Murphy for over 45 years.

When the time comes to make a difficult decision when a loved one passes away, there's no other to depend for care and compassion than Murphy Funeral Home, according to The Press' readers.

Best Florist & Gift Shop: Murphy's/St. Charles

Ten years! That's how many years Murphy/St. Charles has been chosen Best Florist in Weakley County in the Readers' Choice Awards. St. Charles has now been the choice of the readers as Gift Shop for eight years.

That says so much about the service, selection and loyalty to customers about the shops.

The experience gained over almost 80 years clearly shows in their designs and personalized service.

The care and compassion that Beverly McCollum and Angela Mitchell show during times of sorrow are unmatched and the creativity in design and customization makes each item a custom choice.

The same can be said for St. Charles, where Meleana Beverly and Coleen Cates deliver knowledgeable service to everyone that walk in the door. The shop has evolved over the years with merchandise that keeps up with current items in home décor, jewelry, fashions and a complete registry and gift lines.

Owned by David Murphy, both shops have a hometown atmosphere where you can find "big city" designs in custom fresh and silk floral designs, unique home accessories, jewelry and affordable giftware.



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We value each and every one of you and look forward to seeing you soon!

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