

**GFSPA, Inc. Nominating Committee
182 Millard Farmer Ind. Blvd.
Newnan, GA 30263**

February 4, 2020

GFSPA, Inc. Licensed Members:

Chairpersons please submit to the State Nominating Committee your nominee for State Mortician of The Year. Please find attached the criteria and application for nominees for the State Mortician of The Year Award. The application, photo and bio must be received by the committee no later than February 15, 2020.

THIS IS AN ELECTION YEAR!!!! Members who plan to run for the office(s) of Third Vice President, Executive Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Sergeant-At-Arms and Chaplain, please complete the attached application, including a photo and bio must be received by the committee no later than February 15, 2020. We will vote for Officers at the convention.

Deadline dates to remember for State Mortician of The Year:

**February 15, 2020 - Applications, photo & bio due
March 15, 2020 - Ballots will be mailed to the licensed membership
April 10, 2020 - Ballots must be postmarked by 4-10-2020 to be considered for the Award
Board Meeting - Ballots will be counted**

CHAIRPERSONS PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR NOMINEE MEETS THE CRITERIA FOR THE STATE MORTICIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD BEFORE SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION TO THE COMMITTEE. IF YOUR DISTRICT DOES NOT HAVE A NOMINEE, PLEASE LET US KNOW.

We look forward to hearing from you soon.

The Nominating Committee

**Linette C. Ward – Chairperson 770-253-1232
David Campbell, Floyd Hurley, Jr. & Octavia J. Mahone**

Meritorious services beyond the ordinary demands of your position for which you have received official recognition-plaques, awards, etc. in the funeral service field in the past five years.

Civic and Community Activity – List any civic and/or community in which you hold membership or participate or in which you have participated in the last three years. Give offices held and dates served. Example: Cancer Society, PTA, Masons, Elks, Heart Fund, Scout Leader, United Fund Appeal, Easter Seals, etc.

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Are you a registered voter? Yes _____ No _____ County _____

Political Offices Held _____

Community Involvement Efforts _____

Articles, books, other awards, certificates, honors _____

**Employment History for past five (5) years. Include Military experience, if any.
(Give most recent experience first)**

From: Mo. Yr.	To: Mo. Yr.	Employers: Name Address, Type of Business	Position Held	Duties Performed

Please attach a professional photo and a brief biographical sketch. Type or print your name on the back of the photograph.

All items must be completed to be considered.

GFSPA, INC. AWARDS & HONORS

Revised Criteria

1. No present member of the Present administration (Officer), Awards, Honors and Nominating Committee is eligible for the award until they have been off the committee for a minimum of two (2) years.
2. The nominee must be a licensed Funeral Director and/ or Embalmer. (Please include a copy of license or pocket card.)
3. The nominee must have a minimum of three (3) consecutive years of membership with District & State organizations / National Organization not required, but would be helpful.
4. The nominee must have been involved in contributions to: GFSPA, Local Associations, Community Involvement and Religious Affiliations.
5. The nominee must submit a recent photo and resume.
6. The nominee must receive an endorsement from the District they are a member. If there is more than one nomination to the State Nominating Committee, the local district must submit only one nominee to the committee.
7. The recipient of the Georgia State Mortician of the Year Award will be the only award for the evening.
8. The nominee shall have no infringement of the funeral profession and/ or of their individual funeral service licenses, which is regulated by the State licensing Board within three (3) years of their submission for the award.
9. Nominations are due to the Chairperson of Nomination committee Forty five (45) days prior to the State Convention.

Please submit to:

Linette C. Ward, Chairperson
Nominating Committee
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From the GFSPA, Inc. Constitution and Bylaws

ARTICLE VII – OFFICERS

Section 1. The officers of this Association shall be President, three Vice Presidents, Executive Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Chaplain and Sergeant-At-Arms. Each of the said officers must be a licensed Funeral Director and/or Embalmer in good standing with his/her constituent association and must be actively engaged in the practice of the profession in the State of Georgia. All officers shall be elected at the Annual Convention in May and shall serve for two (2) years, or until their successors shall have been elected and installed.

Section 2. The tenure of the office of the President shall be limited to two (2) consecutive years. The First Vice President succeeds to the Presidency, the Second Vice President succeeds to First Vice President, and the Third Vice President, thereby creating a vacancy. This vacancy shall be filled by the election of a Third Vice President every two (2) years.

***The duties of each office is listed in the Bylaws in Chapter No. 4 – Duties of Officers.**

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