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Secretary
Federal Trade Commission
Room H-159
600 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20580



Re: Funeral Industry Practices
Trade Regulation

I would like to voice a very strong objection. It forces Retail Stores to be something they are not (A Funeral Home).

This is a Thinly Disguised way to eliminate the competition of Retail Casket Stores that save people money.

My experience was, that I was told Casket Store caskets handles fall off or they are "seconds".

The conversation was very friendly until I asked, about buying a casket somewhere else and just using the Mortuary for the service, the service price changed if they didn't sell the casket.

Please vote NO and help people to have an Alternative to over priced Mortuary and Cemetery sales people.

*Sincerely
Robert Perrotti*