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## **Funeral Honor Guard Detail General Instructions**

### ***Pre-Funeral Preparation***

1. Get a firm headcount of all Azusa StreetRiders (ASR) who can attend and participate in funeral Honor Guard.
2. Meet with family of deceased to see if they want anything special and to go over our proposed/normal setup/involvement. Family requests come first if at all possible and can be done safely.
3. Meet with ASR Honor Guard to go over the family-approved setup/involvement.
4. Day before funeral, meet with ASR Honor Guard to select Road Captain and to go over outside duties.

### ***Church or Funeral Home Service***

1. Day of funeral, inform ASR Honor Guard of the staging time/place and any other details for the funeral service.
2. 10 minutes before funeral, ASR Honor Guard will meet in staging area for final goodbye.
3. Final goodbye by ASR Honor Guard should be in 2 x 2 columns to the casket. Columns will stop approximately five feet from casket. Two ASR Honor Guards will approach at a time, pause for approximately 10 seconds to say goodbye. **(If veteran, ASR Honor Guard will use a final salute.)**
4. Following goodbye, ASR Honor Guard will be seated for service unless other request is made by family.

### ***Funeral Procession***

1. After funeral service, ASR Honor Guard will exit building and line up at back of hearse on far side standing at attention. (If veteran, ASR Honor Guard will salute casket as it is being loaded into hearse. \*)
2. After casket is in hearse, the Road Captain will give the command, *"Mount up for our last ride with our Brother."* The lead bike with ASR flag will be in front of the hearse along with local ASR chapter president, if applicable.
3. All other bikes will line up in a column of twos directly behind the hearse following it to cemetery.

### ***Cemetery***

1. ASR Honor Guard will line up from hearse to grave standing at attention as a sign of respect for deceased ASR member and family while all guests pass on the way to the graveside.
2. Once the all graveside visitors have passed, the ASR Honor Guard will fill in around them for the graveside service.

**Please remember this day will not be about ASR. It is about honoring our deceased Brother or Sister and comforting the family and friends with our presence. ASR is a ministry and Honor Guard duty is part of ministry.**

\* **If member is a veteran see special instructions highlighted in yellow on #3 under "Church or Funeral Home Service."**

**If the Patriot Guard is in attendance for a veteran, the ASR Honor Guard will follow their lead.**