

Funeral & Bereavement Support

Funeral Planning and Officiating

I create bespoke services, unique to each person. I write each script, working with the family to encourage their input, creating visual tributes, and exploring the best venue for the service, helping with all details, collaborating with funeral directors, and with crematorium, church, or other venue.

My involvement might include gathering stories, memories, photos with family and friends, helping them create tributes, photo collages, memory boxes, etc...

Sometimes a living wake is appropriate, allowing the dying person to be present at the celebration of their life.

I am passionate about encouraging everyone to make their own plans ahead of time, to consider what is important to them and to their families and friends.

Bereavement Support

I support families beyond the funeral. This might be as simple as keeping communication open, remembering them on the anniversary of death, funeral, or birthday.

I also offer to all:

- Grief education
- Bereavement support
- Grief circles

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For all referrals and to make a donation please refer to the website or contact Leti directly.



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I view appropriate specialist spiritual care as essential as medical and social care, particularly in palliative and end-of-life care but for most people it is not considered, not known about, not understood, or cannot be prioritised over other essential financial commitments.

Walking You Home is for the benefit of all members of the community and services will be provided to all who ask, so long as their needs can be met appropriately. Collaboration, warm-handing, and signposting will all be utilised to ensure that the persons at the heart of the service are well cared for.

Any profit is used solely for the benefit of the community, reinvested in the CIC. All finance is overseen by all three directors and by an independent accountant, Gill Wren.

Walking You Home is a registered Community Interest Company (CIC).

It provides three core services:

- **Soul nursing** (spiritual care and specialist wellbeing support) to individuals, their families and communities during palliative and end-of-life care
- **Community and professional education** – facilitated workshops, seminars, lectures and courses
- **Funeral and bereavement support** – planning, writing, officiating and providing ongoing support



HOW IT WORKS

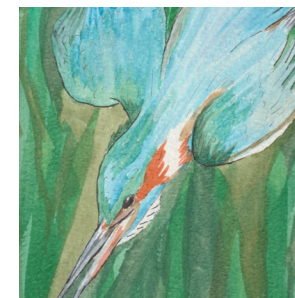
Founded and run by me, Leti Hawthorn, accredited healthcare chaplain, ordained interfaith minister, experienced palliative and end-of-life soul nurse. After several years volunteering and acting as Honorary Spiritual Support in a hospice, I cared for my own mother at home during her final months, walking her all the way home to her funeral and a natural burial. This CIC is therefore the legacy of Jenny Bailey.

All relevant documentation is available for scrutiny. I maintain up-to-date safeguarding certification, Enhanced DBS, and am in regular supervision.

The reason for setting this up as a Community Interest Company is to ensure that care can be given regardless of economic or social conditions and to ensure that there is complete transparency – this work is my soul purpose.

Ways in which funding is raised:

- **Client payments**
- **Bequests**
- **Private donations/gifts**
- **Grants and Funds**



Referrals are invited from individuals and from healthcare providers. Please see website for further details.

Soul Nursing

Includes supportive presence, advocacy, and activities provided for the individual and their family:

- Holding space; listening; encouraging sharing beliefs, memories, hopes, and fears
- Providing space for family members to share concerns and be supported
- Bringing in family members to involve them in storytelling, planning, celebrating
- Arranging visits, experiences, and meaningful activities
- Advocacy: helping individuals express their wishes, speaking on their behalf when requested, being the bridge between the individual and other service providers, such as GP, District Nurses, Hospice, and family.

Community & Professional Education

Learning more about dying, caring for the dying, death, funerals and grief:

- Independent workshops set up by Walking You Home in the community
- Giving talks to community groups
- Making presentations to care homes, nursing homes, hospices and other institutions, including hospital and academic conferences
- Creating bespoke training modules for chaplaincy students, trainee celebrants, and others interested in developing their skills in this area