

# THE JANAZA PRAYER



ETERNAL VIRTUE  
CANADA

The Janāza prayer is the Islamic funeral prayer for a deceased Muslim. It is a simple, dignified act of worship, consisting of **four** takbīrs and prayers for Allāh's forgiveness and mercy upon the deceased and to comfort their family. It is a communal obligation (fard kifāyah), reflecting the collective responsibility and compassion of the Muslim community.

## INTENTION (NIYYAH)

Before commencing the prayer form the intention in the heart to pray Salat al-Janaza, as a communal obligation, following the imam, and facing the qibla.

### 1 TAKBIR AL-TAHRIMAH

The opening *takbīr* to commence the prayer

Raise your hands and say:

**Allāhu Akbar**

**Fold** your hands

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ

### SUPPLICATE TO ALLAH

Recite the Thanā (A praise of glorification)

سُبْحَانَكَ اللَّهُمَّ وَبِحَمْدِكَ وَتَبَارَكَ اسْمُكَ وَتَعَالَى جَدُّكَ وَجَلَّ ثَنَاؤُكَ وَلَا إِلَهَ غَيْرُكَ

Glory be to you, O Lord, and all praises are due unto You, and blessed is Your name and high is Your majesty and Your praises are elevated and none is worthy of worship but You.

One can also recite Surat al-Fātiha after the opening takbīr

## DUROOD IBRAHIM

Recite the **SECOND** Takbir without raising the hands and then recite Durood Ibrahim

○ Allāh, send Your mercy upon Muhammad and the family of Muhammad, as You sent mercy upon Ibrahīm and the family of Ibrahīm. Indeed, You are Praiseworthy, Most Glorious.

○ Allāh, bless Muhammad and the family of Muhammad, as You blessed Ibrahīm and the family of Ibrahīm. Indeed, You are Praiseworthy, Most Glorious.

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## DUA FOR THE DECEASED

Recite the **THIRD** Takbir without raising the hands and then recite a du'a for the deceased

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِحَيِّنَا وَمَيِّتِنَا وَشَاهِدِنَا وَعَائِبِنَا وَصَغِيرِنَا وَكَبِيرِنَا وَذَكَرِنَا وَأُنثَانَا  
اللَّهُمَّ مَنْ أَحْيَيْتَهُ مِنَّا فَأَحْيِهِ عَلَى الْإِسْلَامِ وَمَنْ تَوَفَّيْتَهُ مِنَّا فَتَوَفَّهُ عَلَى الْإِيمَانِ

○ Allāh, forgive our people who are still alive and those who have passed away, forgive those who are present here and those who are absent, forgive our young and elderly, forgive our males and females. ○ Allāh, the one whom You wish to keep alive from among us make him live according to Islam, and anyone whom You wish to die from among us, let him die in the state of Iman (Belief)

Alternatively, one can recite

**For a Male:** *Allahumagh firlahu warhamhu*

**For a Female:** *Allahumagh firlahā warhamhā*

*○ Allāh forgive him/her and have mercy on him/her*

## THE SALAM

Recite the **FOURTH** Takbir without raising the hands

Conclude the prayer by performing the salām once to the right shoulder and once to the left shoulder

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ