

# J. CODY WALKER, MA, CFSP

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

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Funeral Service Professional with considerable experience as a Funeral Director, Embalmer, and Professor of Funeral Service Education. Expertise in all aspects of professional death care.

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## LICENSES

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Funeral Director and Embalmer, 112267, Texas, 2005 – Present

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## AREAS OF EXPERTISE

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- Family Arrangements
- Funeral Service Management
- Pre-Arrangement Services
- Funeral Service Education
- Restorative Art
- Funeral Directing
- Burial and Entombment of Remains
- Transfer of Remains
- Cremation Arrangements
- Embalming

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## EDUCATION

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- 2021 Master of Arts in Education, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA
- 2018 Bachelor of Science in Psychology, Louisiana State University, Alexandria, LA
- 2004 Associate of Applied Science in Funeral Service, Dallas Institute of Funeral Service, Dallas, TX
- 2021 Certified Funeral Service Practitioner, Academy of Professional Funeral Service Practice, Buchanan, GA
- 2023 Certified Crematory Operator, Cremation Association of North America, Wheeling, IL

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## EXPERIENCE

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- Interim Program Director September 2023 - Present  
Mid-America College of Funeral Service, Jeffersonville, IN  
*(Pierce Mortuary Colleges)*
- Faculty Member September 2020 – September 2023  
Dallas Institute of Funeral Services, Dallas, TX  
*(Pierce Mortuary Colleges)*
- Funeral Home Liaison June 2022 – July 2023  
Southwest Transplant Alliance, Dallas, TX
- Adjunct Faculty Member October 2022 – December 2022  
Gupton-Jones of Funeral Service, Decatur, GA  
*(Pierce Mortuary Colleges)*
- Professional Writer, Continuing Education Courses October 2017 – December 2020
- Funeral Director and Embalmer March 2015 – September 2020  
Lucas Funeral Home, Hurst, TX
- Financial Advisor August 2011 – March 2015  
Edward Jones Investments, Grapevine, TX

Funeral Director and Embalmer  
Forest Ridge Funeral Home, Hurst, TX

April 2002 - August 2011

Funeral Associate  
Mangum Funeral Home, Center, Texas

June 2001 - April 2002

## Publications

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2020, Continuing Education Course: Diversity and Inclusion in Funeral Service. Elite Education.

2020, Continuing Education Course: Modern Management in Funeral Service. Funeral CE.

2019, Continuing Education Course: Serving Survivors of Suicide Loss. Elite Education.

2019, Continuing Education Course: Mass Fatalities and Funeral Service. Elite Education.

2019, Continuing Education Course: Military and Line of Duty Death Services, Elite Education.

2018, Continuing Education Course: Training New Embalmers. Elite Education.

## Court Testimony and Deposition History

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08/23/2022	Deposition	PATRICIA SPILLMAN v. BECKWITH, INC., JOHN BECKWITH, JR. d/b/a "A" CREMATORY, MICHAEL BECKWITH, AND DAASHLAUN BECKWITH Cause No. DC-21-12405	298 <sup>th</sup> Judicial District Dallas County, Texas
09/11/2023	Deposition	GERARDO CANO JR., AND SANDRA ROSALES v. LEGACY CHAPELS, LLC d/b/a "LEGACY" Cause No. C-3928-21-A	92 <sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Hidalgo County, Texas
09/25/2023	Deposition	MANUEL LOPEZ; MARIA LOPEZ; ALVARO LOPEZ; MANUEL LOPEZ, JR.; AND ALFREDO LOPEZ, v. SCI CALIFORNIA FUNERAL SERVICES, INC., DOING BUSINESS AS, PIERCE BROTHERS CRESTLAWN MEMORIAL PARK; ADRIANA CERVANTES; EULINDA N. GOINS; AND DOES 1 THROUGH 50, INCLUSIVE,	Superior Court of California For the County of Riverside