

Burial Envelope Instructions

Fabric:

To use the fabric conservatively, it may be cut in several ways depending on the width.

1 piece 52" X 15"

or

1 piece 26" X 30"

or

2 pieces 26" X 15"

1. Lay out the fabric, right sides together, to have two layers 26" X 15". This will require folding the 52" X 15" piece crosswise, or the 26" X 30" folded lengthwise.
2. Sew the raw edges with a $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam, leaving a small opening for turning.
3. Trim the corners and turn the envelope right side out.
4. Sew the opening closed and press
5. Fold up 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ " from one end to form a pocket.
6. Sew the sides of the pocket close to the edge.
7. Fold down the top flap 8".

The envelope may be turned in at this point, to be finished by someone else.

8. Make two buttonholes, $\frac{1}{2}$ " apart, at the center of the flap, about 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ " from the bottom edge of the flap. Alternatively, a white snap may be placed at the center of the flap, about 1 $\frac{3}{4}$ " from the bottom edge.
9. Fold the flap down and mark points under the buttonholes. Fold an 18" piece of $\frac{1}{4}$ " ribbon in half and sew to the marks. The ribbon will be threaded through the buttonholes and tied to secure the envelope.
10. Embroider an appropriate design on the flap. Angels, hearts, flowers, or other designs also could be used.