

# How to Perform SALATUL JANAZAH

For all Madhabs  
(Shafi, Hanbali, Maliki)



In many ahadith, the Prophet Muhammed(S) emphasized and encouraged the Muslims to attend funeral ceremonies. Every Muslim male should try his best to fulfill his duty towards the deceased. If no one from the whole of the Muslim Community offers the Janazah Prayers, then the whole community will be considered sinful in the sight of Allah(SWT). If some of the people offer the Janazah prayer then the whole community will be saved from the anger of Allah(SWT). There are 4 Takbeers in funeral prayer in Islam.

(Sahih Bukhari, Vol. 2, Hadith #337).



1. Facing Qiblah, make Intention (Niyyah) for Salaatul Janazah upon the deceased male or female in order to please Allah (SWT). Without Iqamah the Imam will recite Takbeer. You will then raise your hands between the shoulders & ears (1a) and recite Takbeer:

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ **Al-laahu Akbar** "Allah is the Great"

Fold the arms, right hand over left (1b) and according to Shafi, Hanbali, and Maliki it is mandatory to recite Surat al-Fatiha.

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
الْحَمْدُ لِلَّهِ رَبِّ الْعَالَمِينَ  
الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
مَالِكِ يَوْمِ الدِّينِ  
إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ  
اهْدِنَا الصِّرَاطَ الْمُسْتَقِيمَ  
صِرَاطَ الَّذِينَ أَنْعَمْتَ عَلَيْهِمْ  
غَيْرِ الْمَغْضُوبِ عَلَيْهِمْ وَلَا الضَّالِّينَ

**Bismi Allahi arrahmani arraheem**

In the name of Allah, the Entirely Merciful, the Especially Merciful.

**Alhamdu lillahi rabbi alAAalameen**

[All] praise is [due] to Allah, Lord of the worlds -

**Arrahmani arraheem**

The Entirely Merciful, the Especially Merciful,

**Maliki yawmi addeen**

Sovereign of the Day of Recompense.

**Iyyaka naAAabudu wa-iybaka nastaAAeen**

It is You we worship and You we ask for help.

**Ihdina assirata almustaqeem**

Guide us to the straight path -

**Sirata allatheena anAAamta AAalayhim,**

The path of those upon whom You have bestowed favor,

**ghayri almaghdoobi AAalayhim wala addalleen.**

not of those who have evoked [Your] anger or of those who are astray.

2. Then say Takbeer: اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ **Al-laahu Akbar** "Allah is the Great"

Raise hands as shown in position 1a and then return to position 1b.

Then recite Assalatul-Ibrahimiyyah (Salutations on The Prophet (S))

(Durood-e-Ibrahim). All Madhabs agree upon this:

اللَّهُمَّ صَلِّ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ، وَعَلَى آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ  
كَمَا صَلَّيْتَ عَلَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ، وَعَلَى آلِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ  
إِنَّكَ حَمِيدٌ مَجِيدٌ، اللَّهُمَّ بَارِكْ عَلَى مُحَمَّدٍ  
وَعَلَى آلِ مُحَمَّدٍ، كَمَا بَارَكْتَ عَلَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ  
وَعَلَى آلِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ، إِنَّكَ حَمِيدٌ مَجِيدٌ

**Al-laah hum-ma sal-li 'alaa Muhammadi(n)w wa-'alaa aali  
Muhammadin, kamaa sal-layta 'alaa Ibraheema wa 'alaa  
aali Ibraheema, in naka hameedum majeed.**

**Al-laahum-ma baarik 'alaa Muhammadi(n)w wa-'alaa aali  
Muhammadin, kamaa barakta 'alaa Ibraheema  
wa'alaa aali Ibraheema, in-naka hameedum majeed.**

"O Allah shower Your Blessings on Muhammad(S), as You did shower Your Blessings on Ibraheem(A) and the descendants of Ibraheem(A), You are the Praiseworthy, the Glorious. O Allah, Glorify Muhammad() and the descendants of Muhammed(S), as You did Glorify Ibraheem(A) and the descendants of Ibraheem(A), You are the Praiseworthy, the Glorious."

3. Then say Takbeer: Alahu-Akbar,

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ **Al-laahu Akbar** "Allah is the Great"

Raise hands as shown in position 1a and then return to position 1b.

اللَّهُمَّ اغْفِرْ لِحَيِّنَا وَمَيِّتِنَا وَشَاهِدِنَا وَغَائِبِنَا  
وَصَغِيرِنَا وَكَبِيرِنَا وَذَكَرِنَا وَأُنْثَانَا  
اللَّهُمَّ مَنْ أَحْيَيْتَهُ مِنَّا فَأَحْيِهِ عَلَى الْإِسْلَامِ  
وَمَنْ تَوَفَّيْتَهُ مِنَّا فَتَوَفَّهُ عَلَى الْإِيمَانِ  
اللَّهُمَّ لَا تَحْرِمْنَا أَجْرَهُ وَلَا تُضِلَّنَا بَعْدَهُ

**Al-laah-hum-magh-fir lee-hay-yinaa wa may-yitinaa,  
wa shahididinaa wa ghaa-'ibinaa wa sagheerinaa  
wa-kabeerinaa, wa z(th)a-karinaa wa unthaana.  
Al-laah-hu-ma man aah'yaytuhu min-naa fa-ah'  
yihee 'alal Islam, wa man ta-waf-faytahu min-naa  
fata waf-fahu 'alal eeman allaahumma laa tahrimnaa  
ajrahu, wa laa tuqillanaa ba'dah.**

"O Allah, 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. O Allah, 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). O Allah, do not deprive us of his reward and do not let us stray, after him."

4. Then say Takbeer:

اللَّهُ أَكْبَرُ **Al-laahu Akbar** "Allah is the Great"

Raise hands as shown in position 1a and then return to position 1b.

Then Say:

السَّلَامُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَرَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ

**As-salaamu alaykum wa rah-matullaah**  
"Peace upon you, and the mercy of Allah"

once whilst turning your head to the right (4a).  
and then turning the head to the left (4b).

