## SCCFA / CAT / KCA / NCCA / SCCA 2023 Annual Convention and Exhibits

## June 25-27, 2023 | The Park Vista Hotel, Gatlinburg, TN

**JOINT CONVENTION:** The Southern Cemetery, Cremation & Funeral Association is pleased to partner with the Cemetery Association of Tennessee, Kentucky Cemetery Association, North Carolina Cemetery Association and South Carolina Cemetery Association for our 2023 Convention and Exhibits. We are excited to have these five associations meeting under one roof. We are able to pool together the top presenters, top exhibitors and provide attendees with an educational, fun-filled event.



## Helpful Planning Information

**SPECIAL 90<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**: Join us as we celebrate 90 Years of Being Southern! The SCCFA (formerly SCA - Southern Cemetery Association) was formed in 1933, and after 90 years is still going strong. Come and join us for this special celebration with a display of historic equipment, vehicles and memorabilia from the last 90 years. Enjoy the fun on Sunday evening, as we celebrate the '90s during our Opening Reception with our Exhibitors. You won't want to miss the Granite Gala on Tuesday evening for our black-tie formal dinner banquet.

**<u>RELAXED SCHEDULE</u>**: Daily activities don't begin until 9 AM. So, enjoy your evenings, and ease into the day. After we begin each day with some of the top presenters in our profession, we will serve a delicious brunch and spend some quality time with our exhibitors. Afternoons are free for family fun, relaxing or golf! We'll wrap up around 2:00 each day.

**<u>GOLF TOURNAMENT</u>**: Join us for the 2023 Ed Phillips Memorial Golf Tournament at the Gatlinburg Golf Course, Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>. Meet in hotel lobby at 7:15. Check in at the golf course 8:00. Tee time is 9:00.

**PRESENTATIONS:** Our agenda is filling up quickly, with nine dynamic speakers from within our profession. Presentations will be during our general sessions on Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. Here are just a few of our presenters:

**EXHIBITORS**: We will have 50 exhibitors from throughout the profession.

Exhibit Hours: Sunday, June 25th – During Opening Reception 5:00 – 7:00

Monday, June 26<sup>th</sup> – During/Following Brunch 10:45 – 12:15

Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> – During/Following Brunch 10:30 – 12:00

**<u>ATTIRE</u>**: Opening reception – Rock your best 90's gear and attire, as we celebrate The Southern 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Attire for all meetings is business and/or resort casual. If you are cold natured, remember a light jacket or sweater. Those convention halls tend to be a bit chilly. You won't want to miss our dinner gala on Tuesday night. Attire for the gala is black tie / formal.

**<u>FAMILY FUN</u>**: Bring your family to this popular east Tennessee destination! The <u>Pigeon Forge</u> / <u>Gatlinburg</u> area is known for family fun. From water parks to the <u>Ripley's Aquarium</u> and <u>The Island in Pigeon Forge</u> to beautiful mountain views in the <u>Great Smoky Mountains</u>, hiking and entertaining shows, the fun never stops.

We will be offering optional tickets at group rates for family fun at <u>Dollywood</u> and <u>Splash Country</u>! Watch your inbox for details. The Park Vista boasted an indoor swimming pool and breathtaking mountain views.

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