

Editor of the Journal for the British Institute of Funeral Directors

David Gresty has been Editor of the Journal for six years, this being his 22nd Edition (he took a two-edition break back in 2016). He has dedicated his Editorial time to produce a magazine that is educational and fitting for an Institute created to Educate the Funeral Profession.

He runs his own family funeral service in Altrincham, South Manchester which was established by his grandfather Arthur Gresty in the 1930s. In 2015 David purchased a small local family firm, adding two branches to his existing three. This venture has been successful, and he has enjoyed welcoming a family and their business into his existing setup.

David holds the NAFD Diploma and is a qualified embalmer and member of the British Institute of Embalmers. His company are SAIF, SAIF Charter and NAFD members. He also has a management and engineering degree from the University of Salford.

David has 30 years' experience in the funeral profession, starting at the age of 14 with his father and grandfather. His grandfather died in 1988 and his father Robert (Past President BIFD 2012/13 and one of the first members of the BIFD back in 1982) is now taking some well-earned rest. David is proud of his funeral team and believes strongly in education. He is currently having two of his staff trained through the BIFD Diploma and has recently had staff on first aid courses and others on management courses. He also believes in the highest standards of premises, vehicles and equipment and is constantly investing in the business.

He has worked in the BIFD on the Board, alongside Education and involved in arranging four Conferences as well as being a Past President and recently awarded a Fellowship for his efforts.

Welcome To The Dark Side:

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