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## Pine Veneer Caskets Frequently Asked Questions

### Thickness of Pine Veneer

- $\frac{3}{4}$ " thick of layered pine plywood sandwiched between two pieces of approx.  $\frac{1}{32}$ " thick pine veneer (each side is approx.  $\frac{1}{32}$ " thick).
- 100% pine veneer edging (approx.  $\frac{1}{32}$ " thick). The edging nicely finishes the casket. The edging hides the layers of the plywood used.

### Suggested Long-Term Storage Conditions

- Store casket horizontally, not vertically.
- Store casket in original shipping container. Do not stack.
- **Store casket in cool, dry place (e.g. room temperature is best);** preferably not in direct sunlight. E.g., Basement, which is usually cool.
- Protection from Water Damage. Regarding potential risk of flooding or water leaks, consider storing casket on cinder blocks and/or putting layer(s) of plastic and/or tarp(s) over the casket to protect casket from potential water damage.
- Protection from Earthquake. If the casket is stored higher than 1 foot off the ground, please take appropriate precautions to secure the casket (approx. 200 pounds) in the event of an earthquake or other unexpected events that might knock the casket down.
- Extreme weather conditions (e.g., humid/hot Summers, damp/cold Winters). There is a very small possibility that high humidity *might* cause the veneer edging to lift.
  - Easy and inexpensive fix:
    - Method 1: Use a household glue (e.g., Elmer's) to re-glue the edging to the plywood, then tape the edging to hold it in place until the glue dries. Carefully remove tape after glue is dry.
    - Method 2: Apply household iron (at highest setting) directly onto the edging in order to iron it back onto the plywood. If the iron leaves a mark, use sandpaper to gently sand off the mark. Use of placing clean cloth between the iron and edging is optional.
- Optional: Use of desiccants inside the casket is optional. If a desiccant is used properly, it would not harm the interior lining. Please follow desiccant instructions on how to properly use it.