

## HOW TO PREPARE FOR YOUR MEMORY BEAR ORDER

- 1. Consider what you want. A good starting point is to check through the gallery on <u>www.bears-n-pals.ie</u> or visit our Facebook page. There are a number of past memory bears to help you form a concept idea of what you would like. Don't worry if you can't, we are here to help and to make some suggestions!
- 2. **We are flexible**. There is no fabric type, or minimum/maximum number of fabrics for making the bears. We believe it's nice to use those pieces which remind you most of your loved one. If the memory bear is for a baby, we would recommend about 6 baby-grows due to their small size.
- 3. **Bring/send as much as you can.** We usually ask people to bring/send as many pieces as they can and then we decide what goes together the best. Having some ideas on what it is you want (per point 1 above) will further help this step
- 4. **Embroidery option**. We have an option for embroidery on the bear paws. It could be a name or a nickname of your choice (max 7 letters). We could also put a date of birth for example, its up to you.
- 5. **Personal touches and accessories**. To make your bear even more special, some people like to incorporate personal touches into it such as a hat, picture frame, message or anything else which you might like.
- 6. **Staining on garments**. It doesn't matter if they are worn out or stained, we can work around it. However, it is important that you wash any garments prior to handing them over to us.
- 7. **Required date of delivery**. Please consider when you need your bear to be completed by. We will work as fast as possible, and will try to accommodate any specific delivery dates in so far as possible.
- 8. **Fabric and garment handover**. Please let us know if you are thinking to post the items or would it be possible to meet up. Meeting up is preferable as we can discuss the details of the person that the bear is in memory of/being made for. This helps incorporate a more personal touch. We are based in Dublin 9 in the event of meeting up/delivering items.
- 9. Other questions. If you have any other questions, please email or call at any stage.