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Carriage Services Announces Purchase of Becker Ritter Funeral Home in Brookfield, Wisconsin

HOUSTON, Nov. 8, 2016 /PRNewswire/ -- **Carriage Services, Inc.** (NYSE: CSV) is pleased to announce that we have partnered with Becker Ritter Funeral Home in the new Strategic Market of Brookfield-Greater Milwaukee. The Becker Family heritage dates back to 1901 and Becker Ritter Funeral Home has always been known as a **Being The Best** funeral service provider in the Metropolitan Milwaukee area, serving over two hundred client families annually. Becker Ritter Funeral Home moved to its current location in 1973 and has been under the leadership of Joseph Becker III.

Mel Payne, Chairman and CEO of Carriage, stated, "The partnership with Becker Ritter Funeral Home aligns 100% with our Ten Year Strategic Vision of affiliating with only the best remaining businesses in the best strategic markets. We are excited that by entering the highly attractive and large new strategic market of Brookfield-Greater Milwaukee by affiliating with Becker Ritter Funeral Home, we are now well positioned for growth with other quality firms in the future. Joe and his wife, Kathy, possess a passion for **Being The Best** that has instilled a culture of consistently providing High Value Personal Services for their client families and community, and the future growth of this "first in class" business will benefit from their continued involvement. We are indeed honored to have Joe and Kathy as our long term partners as we add another elite firm to our Carriage family of elite firms."

Joe Becker said, "Our unequaled commitment to serving families, along with our first class facility filled with antiques and spiritual warmth, have created a niche for Becker Ritter that has expanded our presence beyond traditional boundaries. Kathy and I are excited about becoming a part of an elite group of funeral homes with a rich tradition of providing High Value Personal Service. Our partnership with Carriage Services will only enhance our reputation and our ability to provide the level of outstanding service to our community for which we have always been known."

Carriage Services is a leading provider of funeral and cemetery services and merchandise in the United States. Carriage currently operates 168 funeral homes in 28 states and 32 cemeteries in 11 states.

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