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Funeral Home (CFS Releasing)

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FUNERAL HOME isn't exactly one of the great 80s horror classics but it is nice to see its DVD availability increase. It's treatment is minimal – it's a low [rent](#) master from a VHS, but a movie like this has a certain charm playing like it would have first been discovered back in the video store rental era. I, at least, have fond memories of finding it during my voracious horror viewing back in the VHS heyday. FUNERAL HOME is more than just a little derivative and it's light on the red stuff, but it's heavily atmospheric and I recall that being the thing that made it a winner in my eyes back when I saw it the first time. The idea of a funeral home being turned into a bed-and-breakfast has a built in creep factor. Throw in disappearing people – we all know this is murder – and a cast of weirdo suspects, such as the addled [handyman](#) and the prudish Grandma Chalmers “the Embalmer” and the cute new girl in town. Those are just central characters. Let's face it. ANYBODY is a suspect in a killer chiller like this, right? Well, almost anybody, but anyhow. The FUNERAL [HOME](#)'s forbidding tale unfolds and dark family skeletons fall out of closets. When you get to the end, you may say you predicted it or that you weren't surprised or that you've seen something similar elsewhere – but at least you'll be able to say you saw a groovy retro minor gem from the VHS years – on DVD with totally groovy cover art (better than the other releases).

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