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Families tell the Mail of their anguish as police describe 'truly horrific' events at funeral parlours – and 1,000 ring hotline

MORE than 1,000 grieving relatives have contacted a police hotline set up as part of a probe into an alleged undertaker scandal.

Police have recovered 35 bodies and suspected human ashes from a family By Chris Brooke

funeral directors' firm in Hull.

Dozens of families whose loved ones were handled by Legacy Independent Funeral Directors have been left agonising over whether the bodies were ever actually cremated or if they received the wrong ashes.

Relatives of those who were supposed to have been cremated months ago have been asked by police to identify bodies in a mortuary.

Officers described it as a 'truly horrific incident' and said the case would leave families 'shocked, horrified and re-trau-

matised through grief'.
One widow is said to have been told her husband's body may have been kept in a freezer and the ashes she and two other

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