A Comprehensive Guide to Burial Options



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Welcome to Beechwood Cemetery, where the tranquility of a park-like landscape meets the solemnity of burial traditions. Sprawled across 160 meticulously tended acres, Beechwood offers a variety of burial options to suit every family's needs. This comprehensive guide serves as your roadmap to navigating the array of burial options available at Beechwood Cemetery.

Beechwood Cemetery has long been a place of solace and remembrance, providing families with a serene and dignified setting to honour their loved ones. In this guide, we will explore the diverse range of burial options available, ensuring that every family can find a fitting tribute for their departed loved ones.

Casket Selection

At Beechwood, we are a full service funeral home and families are presented with a curated selection of caskets suitable for both burial and cremation.

Crafted from wood, steel, cloth, or environmentally friendly materials, each casket is designed with dignity and respect in mind. Interiors are adorned with luxurious fabrics such as satin, velvet, crepe, and linen, ensuring a peaceful final resting place for your loved one.





Casket Burial Options

Beechwood's sprawling grounds offer a tapestry of burial locations, both in-ground and aboveground, meticulously designed to accommodate caskets. Among the notable choices is the Stations of the Cross, where monumental black structures adorned with artistically etched depictions of the 14 Stations offer a timeless resting place for generations to come.





1. Single Graves and Two-Grave (Double) Lots

The versatility of Beechwood's burial grounds extends beyond casket interments, accommodating urn burials and combinations thereof.

Single graves and double lots offer families the flexibility to honor their loved ones with caskets, urns, or a harmonious blend of both. This eco-conscious approach not only optimizes cemetery space but also provides an economical choice for families seeking enduring memorials.



2. Family Estate Lots

Beechwood offers an array of lot sizes to accommodate a family's future needs for multiple casket burials, cremation burials, or combinations of both.

These larger locations provide ample space for the creation of a unique or larger monument, ensuring a timeless tribute to your loved ones. Family Estate Lots often represent an economical choice for families, serving a larger number of family members over time.





3. Outdoor Crypts

For those who prefer above-ground entombment, Beechwood offers outdoor crypts. These structures are strategically placed in historic areas of the cemetery and are constructed from durable materials designed to withstand the test of time. Outdoor crypts provide a dignified final resting place while honoring the rich history of Beechwood Cemetery.

4. Family Mausoleum

Beechwood provides families with the opportunity to custom-build mausoleums to suit their needs. Whether for a small family or a larger extended family, our locations can accommodate mausoleums of diverse sizes. These custom-built structures offer a private and dignified space for multiple generations of your family to be laid to rest together, ensuring a legacy for years to come.







Urns and Cremation Options

Beechwood understands the importance of providing dignified options for those choosing cremation. Our cemetery offers a variety of urn burial locations, each designed to provide a peaceful and respectful final resting place for cremated remains.

Urn Selection

Beechwood offers families a carefully curated selection of urns suitable for both burial and inurnment. Crafted from various materials including metal, wood, ceramic, and biodegradable options, each urn is meticulously designed to honor the memory of your loved one with dignity and respect. Whether choosing a traditional or contemporary style, families can find comfort in knowing that each urn offers a serene final resting place, adorned with thoughtful details, and crafted with the utmost care.







In-Ground Burial Options

1. Botanical Gardens (Section 64):

Offering serene surroundings, this section provides in-ground burial options with beautiful bronze markers, creating a peaceful resting place for up to two urns.

Poet's Hill and the Botanical Gardens (Section 64):

A combination of natural beauty and artistic expression, this section features granite monuments and shared burial spaces, allowing families to create lasting tributes together.

3. Hickey Lots (Section 64):

Designed for those who appreciate simplicity and elegance, these graves around flower beds accommodate up to four urns, providing a tranquil setting for remembrance.

4. Cremation Memorial Wall (Sections 53 and 64):

Ideal for those seeking a modern and minimalist tribute, these walls offer in-ground burial space for urns, providing a sense of permanence and dignity.









5. The Natural Boulder (Section 111):

Standing as a tranquil sanctuary, nestled within the earth's embrace. With space for 2, 4, or 6 urns, this unassuming yet profound memorial offers a timeless connection to the natural world.

6. The Cremation Lot with Shared Granite Monument:

Offering a unique and shared tribute of unity for families. Designed for in-ground burial in front of a shared monument, this option accommodates up to 8 urns, providing ample space for multiple loved ones to be honored together.





Above-Ground Interment Options

1. The Columbarium Boulder:

These boulders stand as a serene tribute amidst the tranquil beauty of nature. Carved from durable granite, it offers a timeless resting place for up to two or four urns, seamlessly blending into the landscape while providing a lasting symbol of strength and endurance.

2. Indoor Columbarium Niche:

These marble or glass-front niches in our reception center or mausoleum offer a serene and dignified resting place for up to two urns, providing protection from the elements while preserving the memory of your loved ones.

3. Outdoor Columbarium Niche:

Situated amidst our picturesque grounds, these granite-front niches offer a connection to nature while providing a secure and lasting tribute for up to two urns.





Beechwood Cemetery is committed to providing families with a range of burial options that honor the memory of their loved ones.

Whether choosing traditional casket burial, above-ground entombment, or a custom-built mausoleum, Beechwood offers the peace of mind that comes from knowing your loved ones will be respectfully cared for, now and for generations to come.





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About Us

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Take advantage of all the services offered by Beechwood Cemetery, including pre-arrangements, full service funerals, cremation, cemetery services and executor assistance. Beechwood Cemetery can meet whatever wishes you may have from visitations, informal gatherings, life celebrations, memorial services, catered receptions, to a custom monument or memorialization.

Beechwood Cemetery is here to provide you with everything you need to make the right decision for you and your loved ones.

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