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Our Guide to Helping You Choose a Final Resting Place for Ashes

Consideration needs to be given to various things when deciding on a final resting place for ashes, and it is worth asking yourself these questions to help you make the right decision.

Is there a grave of any other family member that I wish to use?

Do I want the ashes to be near to where the person lived?

Do I want them in a cemetery or burial ground?

Do I wish them to be buried or scattered?

Will I want a memorial to visit in the future?

How far will I want to travel to visit a grave?

Do I want to visit a grave?

We can help you to arrange whatever you feel is right, and you should not feel under any pressure from us to rush into making a decision. There are quite a few ways that ashes can be laid to rest, some suggestions are listed here; Buried in a new ashes grave, buried in an existing ashes grave with another family member, buried in an existing full-size grave, scattered at a crematorium, scattered in a churchyard/cemetery, (Where allowed) Buried at a Natural Burial Ground/Green cemetery, scattered, or buried, personally by the family in a special garden or location, buried at sea, for anyone who wants a more unusual memorial, small amounts of ash can now be turned into jewellery. Also, garden furniture, ornaments and keepsakes are available which can contain an amount of ash.

Should you wish us to get involved in scattering ashes in a special location we would need to have the permission of the authority controlling the land in question.

(Scattering ashes in places such as a football ground, cricket pitch, golf course or other public area may well be possible but we would rely on you to arrange the permission. We would not be prepared to be involved without seeing a written agreement first.)

