

CREMATION OPTIONS

Cremation of a deceased loved one is the choice of some families for many different reasons. But a problem arises after cremation — what to do with the cremated remains? Some scatter the cremains in a favorite lake or at a cottage. Some inter the cremains in a cemetery lot and others are not sure what to do. We want to help make that decision easier by providing as many options for the family as possible.



The purpose of this brochure is to show you some of the choices available at Greenwood Cemetery and to present options that many may not know about. We feel strongly that a cemetery makes the best choice as the final resting place for a loved one because a cemetery provides a place to go — to remember, to reflect, to grieve and to begin the process of healing. Cemeteries are a major source of genealogical information and interment in a cemetery ensures that future generations will be able to find a record of and the final resting place of their ancestors.

FACTS

Greenwood Cemetery consists of 105 acres of land with more than 80 acres of that being mowed and trimmed regularly.

More than 1,500 veterans, both men and women, will have a United States flag placed on their grave before Memorial Day. These flags stay in place until after Labor Day. Veterans interred here have fought in many wars, beginning with the Mexican-American war of 1847.

Mexican-American War	3
Civil War	204
Spanish American War	24
World War 1	288
World War 2	634
Korea	161
Vietnam	66
Persian Gulf	1
Iraq	1
Desert Storm	1
Veteran	122

There are more than 1,000 trees within the Cemetery's grounds, including Maple, Birch, Beech, Spruce, White Pine, Flowering Crabs, Plums and Pears. We also care for a rare Purple Beech which stands majestically in the central part of the Cemetery. Some of the trees are more than 100 years old and some have been planted recently — they all contribute to the beauty of the grounds.

The staff consists of full-time and part-time employees, each one believing that maintaining these grounds is a trust, not just a job. In addition to making interments, mowing and trimming, caring for the flower plantings and the trees, the staff also maintains the following:

- 10,000 markers
- 35,000 feet of water line and irrigation
- Over 7 miles of paved and unpaved roads
- Over 2 miles of chain link fence



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Columbarium

A Columbarium is a mausoleum for cremation urns. The niches hold two cremations. The granite cover provides space for the inscription.

There are presently five columbariums in the cemetery, two of them overlook Little Traverse Bay and the third has a view of farmland as well as the lake. There are benches nearby on which to sit and to reflect on the life of a loved one.



Scattering Garden

This is an important facet of the cemetery. The public may scatter cremains in the garden at their convenience at no charge and we will include the loved one's name and dates in our records for genealogy purposes at no charge. We also offer the option of placing the name and dates on our granite tablet to memorialize the person's life.



Traditional Interment

Cremation interment may be made in a cemetery lot with a traditional marker or memorial.

We allow up to two cremations per grave space or one cremation and one casketed interment per grave space

We offer single or multiple grave spaces as well as family lots in a variety of different settings.



Personal Columbarium

Another choice for cremation is to inter the cremains inside a monument itself. This involves purchasing a traditional cemetery lot and a monument designed to hold the cremains inside the base. It gives the family a "personal columbarium" combining new and traditional.