

APPLICATION

I hereby request interment of ash remains of

\_\_\_\_\_
(Please PRINT Full Name)

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Death \_\_\_\_\_

to be placed in the First Presbyterian Church Memorial Garden.

I prefer interment in:

{ } the columbarium { } the garden earth

with:

\_\_\_\_\_
and attach a remittance of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I have read, and agree to the regulations of the First Presbyterian Church Memorial Garden, as stated in the brochure.

Signed

\_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name (s) of person (s) responsible for carrying out the wishes expressed above:

Name

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone

\_\_\_\_\_

Address

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

The Memorial Garden

First Presbyterian Church

40 Church Street

Asheville, NC 28801

ACCEPTANCE

The Memorial Garden Committee confirms the receipt of the application of:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_
(Please PRINT Full Name)

and the sum of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ in confirmation.

Permission is hereby granted, subject to the regulations of First Presbyterian Church Memorial Garden, for the interment in the

{ } columbarium

{ } garden earth

The First Presbyterian Church Memorial Garden Committee agrees to inter the ash remains as requested, when presented, and to furnish a proper cast bronze name plate, and to provide continuing care for the garden.

Signed:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_
(Position)

This application and acceptance will be kept in a permanent file in the Church offices.



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FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

a spire in the mountains

The Memorial Garden

Purpose

The First Presbyterian Church Memorial Garden is designed as a place for rest, meditation, and prayer, and to serve as an appropriate site for interment of ash remains. The Garden offers interment of ashes in the columbarium or in the earth. The garden is off Church Street, south of the Sanctuary.

Administration

The Garden is administered by the Memorial Garden Committee, appointed by the Session, under the over sight of the Worship and Property Committees. Policies governing the Garden are subject to approval by the Session.

## Policies

- The interred ashes shall be those of:
  - a member of the First Presbyterian Church, or one of his/her immediate family as follows: husband or wife, daughter or son, mother or father, brother or sister, step-child or step-parent,
  - a former member, or one of his/her immediate family (see above),
  - a friend of the church as nominated by the Session,
  - a former minister of the church, and his/her immediate family.
- Ashes shall be placed
  - in one of the columbarium niches, or
  - directly in the earth of the Garden, according to the wishes of the decedent or the decedent's family.
- The basic design, plantings, arrangement and placement of the in-the-earth interment sites shall follow the plan adopted by the Memorial Garden Committee, subject to approval by the Session.
- The name of each person whose ashes are interred *in the earth* of the Garden will be engraved, with dates of birth and death, on an individual bronze nameplate attached to a permanent bronze memorial plaque, placed in order of date interment. The location of interment will be in keeping with the plan of the Garden, and designated by officiating clergy. The nameplate for one interred *in a columbarium niche* (in the brick wall on the south side of the garden) will be attached to the face of the niche.

### Care and Financing

The Church will assume all Garden maintenance and operating costs. However, it is the intent of the Memorial Garden Committee that the Garden should be self-supporting from donations and interment fees. All fees will be deposited in the Memorial Garden Reserve Fund, to be used for the care and maintenance of the Memorial Garden. Checks should be sent to the church office, made payable to First Presbyterian Church, with designation for the Memorial Garden Fund.

## How To Apply

Arrangements for the interment of ash remains should be made during one's lifetime if possible. An application (included) should be completed and forwarded along with the appropriate fee to the church office. Fees are as follows:

- ◆ Interment in the columbarium wall \*  
for one person is \$1,000.00  
for two persons in one niche \$1,500.00
- ◆ Interment in the Garden earth with nameplate on the Garden plaque, \$500
- ◆ Former members buried elsewhere may be honored with a plaque on the wall of the Garden, the fee for which is \$500.00.
- ◆ In case of financial hardship, families are advised to contact one of the ministers.

### Acceptance

An acceptance statement will be issued to indicate approval of the application. The application and approval statement constitute a contract between the applicant and First Presbyterian Church, and will be kept in a permanent file in the church office.

Further questions may be directed to the church office, or through the office to a member of the Memorial Garden Committee.

### Regarding Memorial Gifts

Due to limited space, not all requests to donate shrubs or other features can be accommodated. However, suggestions for appropriate memorials will be considered.

\* Please complete an application for each person sharing a niche.

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