

ANGLICAN CEMETERY COMMITTEE OF ST. JOHN'S AND MOUNT PEARL

USE OF COMPANION URNS

IN FOREST ROAD OR KENMOUNT ROAD ANGLICAN CEMETERIES

A) Regulation Approved by the Cemetery Committee: 19 March, 2019

"A COMPANION URN MUST CONTAIN THE CREMATED REMAINS OF TWO PERSONS BEFORE IT IS INTERRED IN A COLUMBARIUM NICHE OR IN A BURIAL PLOT IN FOREST ROAD OR KENMOUNT ROAD CEMETERY".

B) Suggested Procedures for the use of existing Companion Urns containing the Cremated Remains of One Person in Columbaria Niches

OPTION 1: USE OF AN EXISTING COMPANION URN IN A NICHE

- It is recommended that a Companion Urn awaiting the second cremated remains, should not be removed from the columbarium site to avoid possible conflicts with Provincial (NL) statutes on exhumation.
- The cremated remains of the second designated person may be placed in a new or rental urn in the Funeral Home for visitation, and after the Memorial Service, it is brought to the Cemetery by the Funeral Director for Committal.
- After completion of the Committal Service at the Columbarium, the cremated remains of the second designated person are transferred to the original Companion Urn by the Funeral Director and the Cemetery Supervisor.

OPTION 2: USE OF TWO SINGLE URNS OR A NEW COMPANION URN

- If the original Companion Urn has over time tarnished or deteriorated in a columbarium niche, it may be replaced by *EITHER* two new single urns *OR* a new Companion Urn. Bronze, brass, pewter and ceramic urns are very durable.
- If new single urns are used, the remains of the first designated person are placed in a single urn at the columbarium niche site and then returned to the niche. Inurnment of the second cremated remains takes place during the Committal.
- Alternatively, after the Committal Service for the second designated person in a new companion urn has been completed, the first cremated remains may be transferred to another compartment in the same urn by the Funeral Director.

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