



Natural Burial Area

Located at Gungahlin Cemetery, the Natural Burial Area offers a lovely bush setting in which loved ones can be returned to the earth as naturally as possible.

Strict controls are applied to all burials in the area to ensure that all materials that go into the area are biodegradable.

Graves in the area are not marked but are identified with a Radio Frequency Identification Device (RFID). A plant, from an approved list of native species, can be planted on the grave.

Cremated remains (ashes) can also be scattered in the Natural Burial Area.

Memorialisation is by way of a plaque on a common wall at the entry to the site.

Graves are prepared to single depth only and only one burial is permitted per allotment. Companion sites are available but must be purchased at the same time.

Reservations are available in the Natural Burial; however, restrictions do apply.

Interments can take place seven days of the week.

Only fresh flowers are permitted on the grave, and the placement of any non-biodegradable items is strictly prohibited.



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Frequently Asked Questions

Do I have to use a special coffin?

Yes. All coffins used in the area must be made from natural untreated materials.

Can I have a natural burial anywhere else in the cemetery?

Yes. A burial that meets the basic requirements for a natural burial may be conducted in any Canberra Memorial Parks burial allotment.

Can shrouds be used for a burial.

Yes. Shrouds are acceptable and all materials must be made from natural fibres.

Are there any annual fees?

No. The purchase price includes maintenance fees in perpetuity.

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