

Roadside Memorials in Bracknell Forest

Coping with the emotions associated with a roadside death is acknowledged by the Council as being particularly difficult. The Council therefore is committed to finding ways for people to cope with such a loss in a way that is balanced and reflective of the local circumstances.

To this end the Council recognises the national 'REMEMBER ME' campaign. This campaign promotes the use of a small temporary notice bearing a name being placed on a lamppost or similar, close to the place of the road accident. Laying a small floral tribute at the roadside is also acceptable at appropriate times of year but only for limited durations.



Other forms of roadside memorials may be permitted provided there is no risk of driver distraction or risk to the individual visiting the location. However, such memorials have to be approved in advance and thereafter be properly maintained at no cost to the Council.

Safety - and the need to maintain access and the ability to maintain the land - will always be a paramount consideration.

Remember to take care of yourself

You may experience emotional and physical symptoms after bereavement

NATIONAL SUPPORT ORGANISATIONS

Samaritans

08457 90 90 90

www.samaritans.org

CRUSE Bereavement

01344 411 919

www.crusebereavementcare.org

Traffic Accidents

RoadPeace

0845 4500 355

www.roadpeace.org

BrakeCare

0845 603 8570

www.brake.org.uk

These organisations offer support to all people involved in coping with grief

For further information please contact:
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MEMORIALS



This leaflet contains help and advice to explain the local memorialisation options

Memorials at Easthampstead Park Cemetery and Crematorium

When faced with bereavement, many of us want to create a memorial by which someone can be remembered. Finding the most suitable form of memorial is not easy and needs careful consideration. Some people seek something very simple, others will want something more substantial.

Bracknell Forest Borough Council is committed to working with the families of the bereaved, and the grounds of Easthampstead Park Cemetery and Crematorium are considered by many a beautiful and peaceful setting to lay or erect a memorial to a loved one.

The grounds are laid out in various ways and allow for easy access at all times throughout the year. There are many places to sit and reflect regardless of the time of year.

In order to keep the grounds as special as they are, memorials have to conform to an approved specification. Consent must be given before a memorial can be fixed and it is important to note that the grave-owner is responsible for the future maintenance and safety of that memorial.

The staff at the facility are always willing to discuss the various options with you. Some of those that the Council can offer are detailed opposite. If you have a particular suggestion it will always be considered and the staff will do their best to accommodate the need.

Contact Easthampstead Park Cemetery and Crematorium office on 01344 420314 for further details.

Types of Memorials

Annual Memorial Service

Each year in late summer, the Council hosts its annual memorial service in the grounds of Easthampstead Park Cemetery and Crematorium. The service is always well attended and is free to all. Details are made public in the media or by contacting the office.

Book of Remembrance

This book provides the opportunity to enter a few lines of significance. The books are held in the Hall of Remembrance and copies of entries are available to relatives and friends upon request.

Rose Memorials

Standard rose trees and bushes can be planted within the Gardens of Remembrance. They are available for dedication for an initial period of ten years, with the option to renew for a further period. A small plaque with an inscription can be provided for each tree or bush. Each rose may have up to two plaques.

Leather Memorial Panels

These panels are on display within the Hall of Remembrance. A panel can be dedicated for an initial period of ten years, with the option to renew for a further period.

Memorial Benches

A bench with an inscription plaque is a popular form of memorialisation, but with high demand and limited space there may be a waiting list.

Babies' Garden of Remembrance

This garden is surrounded by a wooden trellis with climbing roses and borders planted with shrubs. The focal point of the garden is a sculpture, which reflects that unique feeling between mother and baby. There is also wall space allocated for displaying commemorative plaques.

Millennium Garden

Set in its own area within the grounds, this area of garden is for the use of a specially designed memorial to cater for the needs of the relatives following a cremation. There are three options:

Sanctum 2000 – this memorial incorporates a vase for cut flowers, can be inscribed with gold leaf and can hold a maximum of two sets of cremated remains.

Granite 2000 – as an alternative to the Sanctum 2000, this octagonal shaped planter includes a black granite tablet with a maximum of six lines of gold leaf inscription. It includes a vase for a single flower.

Memorial Vase – a simpler option is a memorial vase with a black granite tablet with gold leaf inscription.

Bulb Donation Scheme

Many people just want to add to the colour and ambience of the gardens.

Donations can be made towards the cost of planting spring flowering bulbs in the Gardens of Remembrance.