

The Interment of Ashes

St. George's College Memorial Rose Garden

Human beings have sensed the mystery of death and the pain of grief, since time immemorial. Every society has developed rites to mark the passage from life through death and to commemorate the dead.

The wounds of grief need time and care to heal. The interment of the ashes of a loved one in a setting that is connected to the joys of life lived and shared helps this process, by enabling us to acknowledge our loss, give thanks for the person's life and begin to take up living once more. Knowing that the remains of a loved one are in a place of significance helps bring back memories of life and comfort when visiting the site.

The Australian Heritage Commission in October 1980 entered St. George's College gardens in the register of the National Estate. The rose garden at the front of the College has been set aside as a memorial garden where ashes of a loved one, who has had a connection with the College, may be placed.

The ashes are to be removed from any container and placed at least 300 millimetres below the surface of the garden. There are to be no plaques or plants placed over the site. The Chaplain of the College will choose the site in conjunction with the cleric taking the service. The names of those whose ashes have been placed in the garden will be inscribed in a book of remembrance that will be left in the College Chapel.

St George's College runs 24 hours a day, 7 days a week and has over 170 people living on the campus. We will do our best to make sure that during the chosen time for the interment of ashes the mourners will not be disturbed. Please be mindful that the College is home to 170 students and staff who come and go at different times of the day.

Unfortunately, we have to advise that no person attending the service may park in the College grounds. All parking bays are allocated to College residents. Therefore parking is subject to penalties, including the issue of infringement notices. The penalties associated with such notices are payable to The University of Western Australia. However, there is parking behind the College and in the car park on Mounts Bay Road. **Mourners must be advised, there will be no exceptions regarding parking. The College is also a non smoking College and we ask that all mourners refrain from smoking whilst in the College grounds.**

Two parking bays will be provided, one for the priest officiating at the service and one for the immediate family. Please ring the office for allocation of bays.

If you wish to place the ashes of a loved one in our memorial garden please complete the following form and return it to St. George's College for confirmation of date and suitability of time.

Interment Of Ashes Application

St. George's College

I, _____, being the contact person for the interment of ashes of _____ (please print full name) to be held on _____ (date) at _____, (time) understand the content of and will abide by the stipulation's of St. George's College regarding the interment of ashes in the Memorial Rose Garden.

I will advise all mourners of the College's requirements including those relating to smoking, drinking and parking.

I accept that any mourner who receives an infringement notice regarding parking on the College grounds will be advised to discuss the matter with me.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Consent to Conduct/Delegate Service

at

St. George's College

I, _____, a priest of the Anglican Church of Australia and licensed by the Archbishop of Perth, have been contacted by _____ to inter the ashes of _____. I am happy to conduct the service at St George's College and have approved the use of that venue.

OR

I have delegated _____ of _____, telephone _____, (after having obtained his/her consent) to officiate at the interment of ashes of _____.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Address and postcode: _____

Telephone (business hours): _____

Telephone (after hours): _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please return to: St. George's College
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