



# Memorial Garden

The Memorial Garden at First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor offers a sacred and meaningful option for the interment of cremated remains, honoring the connection between the living and the dead in the communion of saints. Located near the northwest entrance of the church, the Garden provides a serene resting place where loved ones' remains can be interred close to the life and activity of the church.

## Interment Details

- Ashes are interred directly in a gravel hole without a container. Families should inform funeral homes or cremation societies of this requirement.
- A bronze plaque in the Monteith Hall vestibule is inscribed with the names and years of birth and death of those interred. Names are added in chronological order of death.

## Eligibility

- All baptized members of First Presbyterian and their immediate families are eligible for interment.
- Others may be eligible at the discretion of the pastors.

## Service of Committal

- A brief committal service is typically held in the Memorial Garden before or after a memorial service in the Sanctuary or Monteith Hall.
- The church maintains a record of interments, noting the specific location of ashes in the Garden.

## Fee

- The interment fee is \$350, which includes the nameplate inscription and perpetual care of the Garden.

## Garden Maintenance

The Memorial Garden is cared for by the Property and Memorial Garden Committees. Contributions to support the Garden's upkeep are welcome and can be designated to the Memorial Garden Fund.

For more information or to arrange an interment, please contact the church office at (734) 662-4466.