#### Purchase of a cemetery lot or columbarium niche before need is deemed wise and strongly urged. Prospective patrons may feel free to contact the cemetery for information without obligation or pressure.

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Please call the office to schedule an appointment to discuss the purchase of a lot or niche. Staff will have available suitable plats showing size, price and location of lots and niches.

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Payment arrangements are available. Credit cards are accepted.

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# COLUMBARIUM



#### What is a Columbarium?

A columbarium is a place for the respectful inurnment of cremated remains. The term comes from the Latin columba, meaning dove. It is a structure containing niches, which hold cremation urns.

#### **Columbarium Niche Purchase**

The purchase price of a niche includes:

- the exclusive right of inument in the niche,
- \* perpetual care for the maintenance of the niche,
- \* one standard niche plaque, and
- the opening and closing fee for inurnment in the niche.





#### Inurnment Rights

Inurnment rights are deemed to be reserved for the niche owner and members of his/her family unless otherwise directed in writing by the owner. The Cemetery will permit the inurnment of members of the family at the request of any person upon proof of eligibility for inurnment. All burial and inurnment rights in Cemeteries operated by the City of Ottumwa occupy the same position as real estate at the death of the owner.

No sale, transfer, or assignment of any niche shall be valid without the consent of the Cemetery. All transfers must be made at the Cemetery office, where a reasonable fee will be assessed to change the records.

#### **Benefits of a Columbarium Niche**

Purchasing a columbarium niche eliminates the pressures of choosing and paying for a casket, vault and monument. A columbarium niche is modestly priced, aesthetically pleasing and ecologically sound.

#### Perpetual Care

Perpetual care is set aside in a permanent, irrevocable trust fund to maintain the lot. The interest from this fund shall be used for the permanent care of the columbarium and to maintain, repair and care for the cemetery.



#### About the Columbarium

Located in the Ottumwa Cemetery, the columbarium sits on the southwest corner of Parkview section (with the bell tower). Single and double niches are available. Single niches will hold the cremated remains of one person. Double niches will hold the cremated remains of two people behind one niche front.

The columbarium installed in the Ottumwa Cemetery on March 1, 2011 is the start of a larger project that will include three columbaria surrounded by a concrete walking area. A sitting wall has been built for the comfort of those visiting loved ones.

#### Memorabilia and Tributes

No temporary attachments such as tape, wire, string or stickers are allowed. Decorations may be placed in a specified area near the columbarium at the time of inurnment. These items will be removed by cemetery personnel one week after inurnment. No other decorations will be allowed in the columbarium area. All flowers and tributes placed in the columbarium area will be removed by cemetery personnel without notice.

#### <u>Cost</u>

	<u>Single</u>	<u>Double</u>
	Niche	<u>Niche</u>
Top 2 Rows	\$1,300	\$2,000
Bottom Row	\$1,200	<b>\$1,900</b>

#### In ground cremation burial costs:

	Single	Double
	<b>Burial</b>	<b>Burial</b>
Space(s)	\$360	\$720
*average cost of crem	nation space in Ottumw	a Cemetery
Inurnment	\$545	\$1,090
Stone	\$900	\$1,400
*Single stone 12" wide	x 24" long x 4" high	
*Double stone 12" wid	e x 48" long x 4" high	

<b>\$3,210</b>

