

Burial Ground

Buying a grave

It is appreciated that during what is a most upsetting time decisions need to be made concerning the deceased person's remains. The following information may help you.

How to buy a grave.

Normally your funeral director will help you to make the necessary arrangements for purchasing a grave.

You may want to make your own arrangements at the time of the death. You may wish to reserve and purchase a plot in advance by contacting

When burials can take place.

Burials can take place any day except Sundays, bank holidays and Good Friday.

Types of grave available.

Single and double depth graves are available.

All graves are lawn type for easy maintenance. Nothing is allowed to be placed or grown, on or around the grave, and the area in front of the headstone is grassed over.

Next of kin must arrange for the grave to be levelled after 12 months.

The exclusive right of burial or interment of ashes lasts for 50 years.

Consecrated and un-consecrated ground.

The burial ground has consecrated (blessed as sacred) and un-consecrated areas where you can buy a grave or scatter ashes. The consecrated ground is blessed as sacred by a Bishop of the Church of England.

Scattering cremated remains

There are two squares in the burial ground especially for scattering of remains. One on consecrated ground and the other on un-consecrated ground. There is no charge for using them.

Funeral charges

There is one set of costs for residents and people with strong links to Manton. The charge for non-residents and those without close links to Manton is doubled.

Administration charges also apply.

| Right to interment in earthen grave | Resident/ strongly linked | Non-residen |
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| Child (stillborn or under 1 year) | £91.00 | £182.00 |
| Adult single depth | £235.00 | £470.00 |
| Adult double depth | £351.00 | £702.00 |
| Ashes | £67.00 | £134.00 |
| Administration charge adult (at time of interment) | £62.00 | £124.00 |
| Administration charge child (at time of interment) | £30.00 | £60.00 |
| Headstone | £73.00 | £146.00 |
| Additional inscriptions | £57.00 | £114.00 |

Headstones and memorials

A headstone or memorial plaque, which complies with the rules and regulations, that govern memorials at Manton Burial Ground, must be erected within 2 years of interment. The names of all those interred must be included on the permanent marker. This must be maintained in a clean, safe and tidy condition by the deceased's family and friends.

Purchase of a memorial tree

A suitable commemorative tree can be purchased and placed in a position agreed with Manton Parish Council. A small plaque can be displayed. The wording must be approved by Manton Parish Council.

Purchase of a memorial bench.

A commemorative seat can be purchased; size, style and placement to be agreed with Manton Parish Council. Ongoing maintenance is the responsibility of the purchaser. A commemorative bench may also be placed elsewhere in the village.

Contact

In order to advise relatives of our rules and regulations, the funeral director, or person organising the funeral, is asked to provide the Clerk of Manton Parish Council with contact details. A copy of this guidance will then be forwarded to that person by post or email.

Please contact the Clerk of Manton Parish Council, Lawrence Webster, at clerk@mantonparish.org.uk with any further queries.