



STONY PLAIN **CEMETERY**

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INTRODUCTION

The Stony Plain Cemetery is a place where families and the broader community can connect with the past, honour legacies, and find peace in a thoughtfully designed landscape. We are dedicated to providing a peaceful and respectful environment where families and friends can honour the lives of those they cherish.

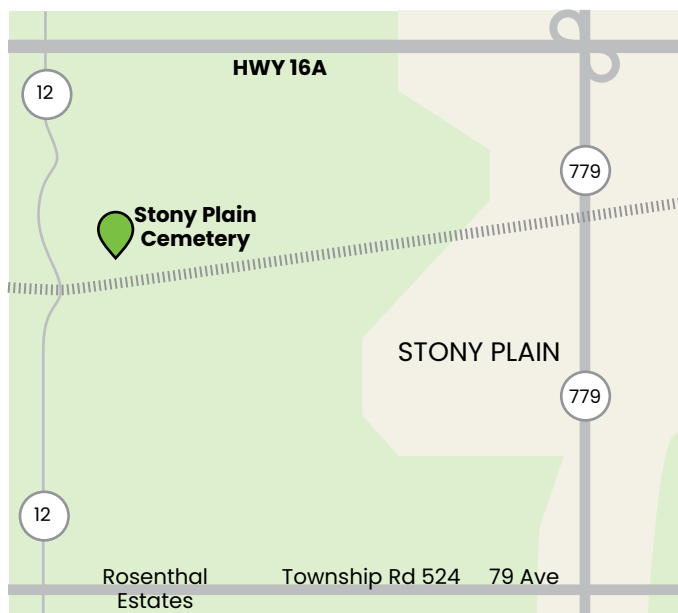
We offer a range of interment options designed to meet the personal preferences of the people and families we serve. Our compassionate staff are committed to guiding you with care, clarity, and professionalism through every step of the planning process. Whether it is a casket burial, urn burial, or scattering garden option, we can help. The Town of Stony Plain offers a variety of memorial options including designated remembrance areas, plaque installations and group monuments to help families honour their loved ones in a meaningful and lasting way.

The Stony Plain cemetery is governed by the *Cemetery Act*, Cemetery Bylaw, and associated regulations, all of which may be amended from time to time.

Note: The Town does not sell caskets, urns, vaults, liners, or monuments.

PRE-PLANNING APPOINTMENTS

Pre-planning saves families from having to make decisions during a difficult time. Planning ahead gives you the opportunity to be involved in how you are remembered. One of our Cemetery Services staff will assist you with your planning needs.



CEMETERY LOCATION

The Stony Plain Cemetery is located at 52503 Rosenthal Road (Range Road 12), north of the railway tracks in Stony Plain, Alberta.

VISITING HOURS

Cemetery grounds are open to public access daily from sunrise to sunset.

CEMETERY ARRANGEMENTS

Cemetery arrangements and the payment of cemetery fees can be made at Stony Plain Town Hall, 4905 51 Avenue, Monday through Friday during regular business hours: 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM.

Town Hall is closed on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays observed by the Town.

PURCHASING A PLOT OR COLUMBARIUM NICHE

The Town offers the sale of burial plots (in-ground interments) and columbarium niches to both residents and non-residents. In-ground plots and columbarium niches can be purchased in advance or when needed.

Upon purchase, the Town will issue a Cemetery Services Contract. The individual named on this contract is recognized as the interment rights holder.

Purchase of a plot grants an individual the right to use the plot, in compliance with the Town's Cemetery Bylaw and Procedures. As such, the sale of an in-ground plot and columbarium niche is viewed as a long-term lease of the rights of interment where the owner of these interment rights is considered the legal owner of the plot or niche. Ownership of the land itself is retained by the Town of Stony Plain.

- The interment rights holder is the person who has purchased the burial rights to a burial plot, green burial plot, cremation plot, columbarium niche, or family columbarium
- Once issued, the contract may not be changed or altered by anyone other than the interment rights holder
- No person or corporation other than the Town of Stony Plain shall sell a cemetery burial plot or niche interment right, to any other person
 - A vacant cemetery burial plot or niche interment right may be sold back to the Town at 85% of the market value of the plot at the date of resale
- Interment rights may be transferred to an immediate family member, but no transfers of any interment right or any interest therein shall be binding upon the Town, unless application for the transfer has been submitted
 - Upon receipt of such application, and payment of the prescribed fee, the transfer shall be made, and such revision documented
- It shall be deemed sufficient, if notice to interment rights holders is in writing and mailed to the last known address of such person as entered in the cemetery records
- It shall be deemed the responsibility of the interment rights holders and purchasers to update their contact information if changes occur to ensure accuracy in the cemetery records

Where Cemetery Services is faced with a dispute among a deceased's family or others concerning who has the right to control the disposition of the deceased's remains, Cemetery Services shall recognize the interment right in the following order of priority:

1. To the person who has been designated by virtue of transfer recorded in the office of Cemetery Services
2. To the person who has been designated as titleholder in the will of the deceased
3. The spouse or adult interdependent partner of the deceased if the spouse or adult interdependent partner was living with the deceased at the time of death
4. The personal representative designated in the will of the title holder
5. An adult child of the deceased
6. A parent of the deceased
7. The spouse or adult interdependent partner of the titleholder if the spouse or adult interdependent partner was living with the Titleholder at the time of death
8. The surviving children of the titleholder
9. The surviving grandchildren of the titleholder
10. The surviving brothers or sisters of the titleholder
11. The surviving nephews or nieces of the titleholder
12. An adult next of kin of the titleholder on the basis provided by sections 8 and 9 of the Will and Succession Act of Alberta
13. The Town of Stony Plain

CEMETERY BURIAL OPTIONS

The cemetery is divided into several distinct areas, each offering specific burial and memorial options.

- Railway Plateau
- Hillside Farmland View
- Hilltop
- Veterans Field of Honour
- Green Meadow (Green Burial Area)
- Wild Rose Scattering Garden
- Niche Haven (Group Columbarium)
- Reflection Family Path (Family Columbarium)

TRADITIONAL BURIAL AREAS

Railway Plateau

Standard or double-depth burial plots available.

4 ft x 10 ft Burial Plot (upright monument or flat marker permitted):

- Two caskets (double depth); or
- One casket and up to six cremated remains (casket must be interred first); or
- Up to six cremated remains (single depth).

2 ft x 3 ft Cremation Plot (flat marker only):

- Up to two cremated remains.

Hillside Farmland View

Flat markers only in this section.

4 ft x 9 ft:

- Two caskets (double depth); or
- One casket and up to six cremated remains; or
- Up to six cremated remains (single depth).

2 ft x 3 ft Cremation Plot:

- Up to two cremated remains.

Hilltop

Cremation plots only.

2 ft x 3 ft (flat marker only):

- Up to two cremated remains.

Veteran's Field of Honour

Dedicated for veterans who have honourably served in the Canadian Armed Forces, the Commonwealth or its wartime allies, or as a Regular Member of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, or as a Peace Officer in a Special Duty Area or on a Special Duty Operation, or who has served in the Merchant Navy or Ferry Command during wartime.

4 ft x 10 ft Burial Plot:

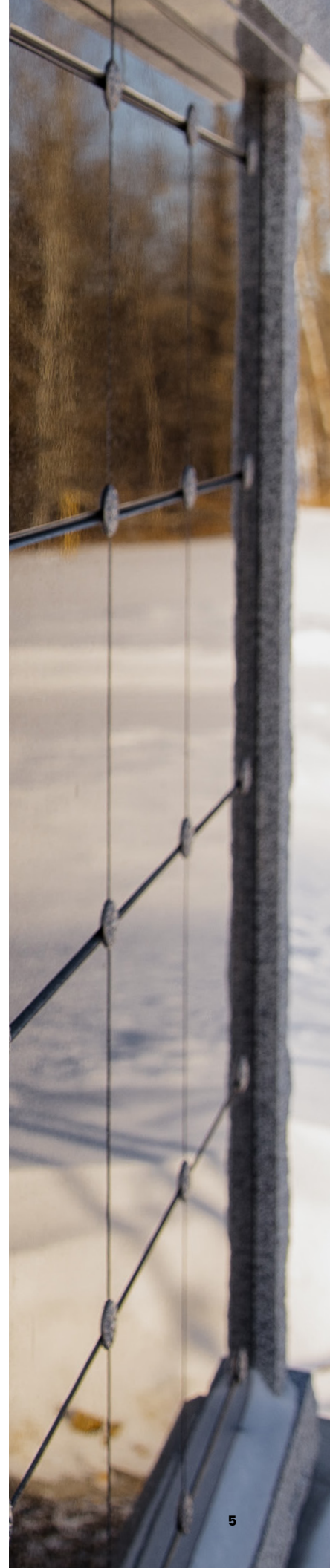
- Two caskets (double depth); or
- One casket and one cremated remains; or
- Up to two cremated remains.

2 ft x 3 ft Cremation Plot:

- Up to two cremated remains.

Columbarium Niche (11 ¾" x 11 ¾" x 15"):

- Up to two cremated remains.



CREMATION & MEMORIAL OPTIONS

Niche Haven – Group Columbarium

Two columbaria are currently available.

- 96 total niches
- 24 niche per side
- 4 rows, 6 niche per row
- Each niche is 11 ¾" x 11 ¾" x 15"

Niche Capacity:

- Up to two cremated remains

Wild Rose Scattering Garden

- Ashes scattered within designated garden area
- Name memorialization with medallion on group monument

Green Meadow (Green Burial Area)

An environmentally respectful and sustainable burial option. No embalming chemicals, metal caskets, or concrete vaults are permitted.

4 ft x 9 ft Plot:

- One natural burial
- Name memorialization with medallion on group monument

Reflection Family Path – Family Columbarium

- Private family columbaria
- Various sizes available

CANCELLING A PLOT PURCHASE

The purchaser may cancel their contract at any time for any reason. The purchaser may cancel without charge or penalty at any time during the period from the day the purchaser enters into the contract until 30 days after the purchaser receives a copy of the contract.

If the purchaser cancels after 30 days, they may still be required to pay for interment space and for any cemetery supplies and cemetery services that have already been supplied, performed or delivered.

If the purchaser cancels the contract, the Town has 15 days to refund any money the purchaser is owed.

To cancel, you must give a notice of cancellation to the Town at the address shown on the Cemetery Services Contract.

The purchaser should give notice of cancellation by a method that will allow the purchaser to prove that the purchaser gave notice, such as registered mail, fax, courier or by personal delivery.

TRANSFER AND RESALE OF PLOTS

Cemetery plots and niches are not authorized to be sold on the open market.

After the penalty free 30-day cancellation period is over, at the request of the interment rights holder, the Town may buy back the unused interment space from the purchaser and will reimburse the purchaser 85% of the market value of the plot at the date of resale.

No person or corporation other than the Town of Stony Plain shall sell a cemetery burial plot or niche interment right, to any other person.

Interment rights may be transferred to an immediate family member, but no transfers of any interment right or any interest therein shall be binding upon the Town, unless application for the transfer has been submitted. Upon receipt of such application, and payment of the prescribed fee, the transfer shall be made, and such revision documented.

INTERMENT GUIDELINES

BURIALS

- Burial plots and niches shall be opened and closed only by the Town. All interments will be under the supervision of the Director, or their designate.
- No interments shall be permitted in the cemetery unless a proper Burial Permit or Certificate of Cremation is provided
- No cemetery services will be scheduled on statutory holidays or outside normal office or weekend hours without approval from the Director, or their designate
- No human remains or cremated human remains will be held or stored within cemetery properties pending interments or scattering
- All applications for interments shall be made at least seventy-two hours before the time of interment.
- All applications for interments require a date and time indicated for the interment service (no pending services)
- If due to inclement weather conditions, health and safety concerns, or conditions beyond the Town's control, an interment cannot be made at the scheduled time, The Town reserves the right to reschedule at a later date and or time
 - The Town does not provide facilities for temporary storage or assume liability for charges related to the storage of human remains awaiting interment under these or other circumstances
- The opening of a burial plot for interment necessitates the temporary mounding of earth on adjacent burial plots. The Town reserves the right to determine the location for the temporary mound and will make reasonable and best efforts to restore adjacent burial plots to their original condition as soon as possible following the closing of the burial plot
- Pallbearers are required for all full casket interments
- Cremated remains must be delivered to the cemetery for interment in a closed cremation urn or container, and the remains will be buried in such cremation urn or container unless otherwise directed by the family representative or designate
- Due to the irreversibility of the scattering process, documentation for the scattering of cremated remains must be signed at the Cemetery Services office before scattering may take place
- An interment is permitted when the Certificate of Purchase has been provided and all fees have been collected from the plot sale, open/close interment and any monument or family columbarium installation and any other fees for an interment service
- A minimum of seventy-two hours notice shall be given to the Town of Stony Plain prior to the date and time set for an interment. Saturdays, Sundays, and statutory holidays are not counted for the purpose of determining notice. Interments outside the prescribed hours or on a Saturday, Sunday, or statutory or declared holiday may require payment of an additional fee
- Cemetery maintenance crew will not start closing a burial plot or columbarium niche until all family members have left the burial site
- Family members may return after the closing is completed
- No animals will be interred in the Town of Stony Plain Cemetery

GREEN OR NATURAL BURIALS

Green Burial guidelines are enacted for the common good of all Green Burial holders and to maintain a standard format and high level of quality control. The guidelines that follow are based on practical considerations, with the aim of minimizing the negative environmental impacts and presenting a natural appearance in and around the designated green or natural burial sections within the cemetery at all times.

All Green Burials shall,

- Have only one interment per designated burial plot, with the exception of the remains of a parent and an infant child, as defined in the Cemetery Procedure, placed in the same casket if interred at the same time
- Take place in the next available burial plot, as determined by the operational requirements and at the discretion of Cemetery Services (no pre-selection or reservation of burial plots)
- Use only biodegradable caskets/containers or suitable burial shrouds
- Meet ecological minimums, all clothing items used for burial purposes must be of natural fibers such as (cotton, linen, hemp wool) with the removal of all non-biodegradable metal or plastic items such as (clasps, zippers, buttons)
- If so desired, a memorial medallion may be placed on the group monument

No Person shall,

- Inter human remains that have been embalmed. Any treatment of the body prior to interment must reflect environmentally friendly practices
- Place or install a burial vault of any composition into the burial plot
- Place memorialization, decorative railings, ornamental lamps, vases or personal items on or around the burial plot
- Plant trees, decorative shrubs, flowers or any plant materials on or around the burial plot
- Scatter or bury cremated remains on, in or around the designated burial plot

DISINTERMENT

- Human remains may be removed from a burial plot only by court order or by written consent of the interment rights holder or their designate and after disinterment fees are paid in full
- No person shall disinter or remove a body from the cemetery for any purpose unless that person first obtains a permit for disinterment issued by the Director of Vital Statistics and delivers it to Cemetery Services
- Disinterment will be completed at a day and time designated by Cemetery Services
- There will be no more than one casket disinterment scheduled per day or at the discretion of Cemetery Services
- The Town will not be responsible for damage to any casket, urn, vault or container which occurs during the course of the disinterment
 - A new casket, urn or container may be required to facilitate a disinterment for which the additional charge shall be borne by the party authorizing the disinterment
- The Town may require any casket, outer container, cremation urn or cremation outer container that has been replaced to be removed from the cemetery for disposal. All costs shall be borne by the party authorizing the disinterment
- The Town requires all memorialisation to be removed from the burial plot prior to any disinterment. All costs shall be borne by the party authorizing the disinterment
- The Town reserves the right to disallow any witnessing of the disinterment if it feels at its sole discretion that the health or safety of anyone present may be at risk
- The Town reserves the right to disallow the re-interment/entombment of an outer container or casket deemed unacceptable for placement



GENERAL CEMETERY REGULATIONS

1. Regular office hours of Cemetery Services are 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday, excluding holidays observed by the Town.
2. No person shall carry on work in the immediate vicinity of any service in progress.
3. Special events require prior approval of Cemetery Services.
4. All visitors should conduct themselves in a quiet manner that shall not disturb any service being held.
5. No picnics, parties, or gatherings except for funerals or some ceremony of observance is permitted in the cemetery.
6. Dogs are permitted on the cemetery grounds provided they are on leash and under control at all times. All provisions of the Town's Responsible Pet Ownership Bylaw shall be in effect.
7. Children under twelve years of age shall be accompanied by an adult who shall maintain close contact with them and shall be responsible for their actions while on cemetery grounds
8. No person shall make any paths or short cuts across any part of the cemetery
9. No person shall operate a vehicle in excess of ten kilometers per hour within the cemetery
10. No person shall consume alcohol or use recreational drugs while on cemetery grounds
11. Snow machines and off-road recreational vehicles are strictly prohibited on cemetery grounds



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