

10-20-19 Update to Vestry regarding SMITF Memorial Garden

For either an in-ground or in raised columbarium these items are required for internment;

- Concrete box – niche (each niche can hold 1 or 2 sets of cremains (ashes))
- Brass frame attached and bonded to concrete box
- Square brass plate – either plain (for temporary cover) or with names/dates
- Plastic rectangle box with lid that fits into the frame and contains the cremains (ashes) & tape to seal the lid onto the plastic box
- Brass screws

Standing columbarium currently we have (total of two) West and East

Each side of columbarium has 6 boxes, for a total of 12 boxes (niches) per columbarium.

West - front side sold & full with all name plates, back side open boxes without frames close to hedge so not likely folks would like to buy these niches.

East – this has a broken marble side piece and has been taken apart many times to utilize the completed niche with frame for internment. Currently for completion it requires 4 concrete boxes, frames, blank plates and repair/replacement of side marble.

Recently we have had a significant # of deaths and internments into the Memorial Garden.

The Sept. Memorial Garden account line item #107 is \$311.86

Many of the recent contracts are not in the Memorial Garden binder in the SMITF office and Cathy Tolliver and Becky Snell will continue to attempt to locate and log current information into the documents in the SMITF office.

- Best estimate: 7 pre-paid niches have not been placed into the ground --7 boxes, 7 frames needed
- 4 frames needed to complete the East columbarium with the 4 concrete boxes we have

Costs: \$115 each concrete box, \$940 each frame, square plates with names \$463 & up depending on content (\$1518) + perpetual care

Current orders with Art Stone: 10 concrete boxes (**\$1,150**) for placing current pre-paid niches and having several on hand for use. Lag between order and receiving currently is 2 months and waiting.

Current order Fred Cheek Monuments placed by Scot: 6 frames (**\$5,640**) expected arrival end of Oct. 2019 Require 5 additional frames to complete pre-paid and the front of East columbarium, **and 1 or 2 for immediate interment. (total \$11,220 -\$12,220)

**[On hand needs 1 or 2 completed boxes (box, frame, blank plate) for immediate placement unplanned internment. We have multiple blank square plates, and multiple plastic boxes w covers.]

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