



MEMORIAL GARDEN POLICY STATEMENT

Saint Mark's Episcopal Church's Memorial Garden is intended to be a simple, dignified meditation garden with plantings and benches set aside as a place where the cremated remains of those who have died may be committed directly into the earth, where people may gather for reflection, prayer or meditation, and where the parish community may gather together or host occasions for fellowship or celebration.

Interment shall be officiated by the Rector of Saint Mark's Church or a person appointed by the Rector. The committal rite shall be according to *The Book of Common Prayer* or as directed by the Rector. No containers or objects other than the cremated remains may be committed in the Garden.

At the request of the deceased's family or designated principals, a nameplate may be purchased at cost and affixed to a memorial plaque. The Vestry shall have sole discretion in the design of the nameplate and plaque. Saint Mark's Church shall keep accurate records of all committals in the Garden.

Reservation and/or committal allows only for the privilege of use of the space and does not create or transfer real property rights. The Church has sole right to the Memorial Garden and property and shall be responsible for opening and closing the site.

Any contribution for committal will be placed in the Memorial Garden Fund and shall be used for maintenance and enhancement of the Garden, at the discretion of the Vestry.

The bereaved may place single cut flowers on the site of committal; however, no flags, emblems, monuments, plaques, headstones, plants, floral arrangements or bouquets or other objects may be placed on or near the site of committal or in the Garden and will be immediately removed by the Church if so placed. The Church reserves the right to clear the Garden of allowable floral offerings from time to time, at its discretion. Those wishing to have an additional memorial acknowledgement may seek suggestions and guidance from the Vestry of Saint Mark's Church.

The remains of any person may be committed in the garden, regardless of their race, ethnicity, national origin, sexual orientation or religious belief or absence thereof.

The Rector, Wardens and Vestry of Saint Mark's Church have full rights and responsibilities concerning the Memorial Garden. Any issue not covered in this Policy Statement shall be determined solely by that body. The Rector, Wardens and Vestry of Saint Mark's Church reserve the right to change the Memorial Garden policies from time to time, at their sole discretion.



MEMORIAL GARDEN



*“Father of all, we pray to you . . .
for all those whom we love
but see no longer.
Grant to them eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.”*

- BURIAL OF THE DEAD, RITE II



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A QUIET PLACE

Saint Mark's Episcopal Church's Memorial Garden is a simple, dignified space for the committal of cremated remains directly into the earth.

Through the use of plantings, benches and paving, the landscape design endeavors to create a peaceful setting in which people may gather for quiet reflection, prayer or meditation.

For additional information, please contact the Rector or call the office at 818.240.3860.

REQUEST FOR INTERMENT

Saint Mark's Memorial Garden

I, _____, hereby make application for the burial of cremated human remains in the Saint Mark's Memorial Garden, Saint Mark's Episcopal Church, Glendale, California.

MY ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

PHONE EMAIL

DESIGNEE'S ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP

DESIGNEE'S DATE OF BIRTH / /

PLACE OF BIRTH

MY RELATIONSHIP TO DESIGNEE

I am making a contribution of \$ which will be placed in the Memorial Garden Fund.

I do I do not wish Saint Mark's Episcopal Church to order a nameplate with the name of the deceased to be affixed to a memorial plaque.



I acknowledge that I have read the Saint Mark's Memorial Garden Policy Statement on the reverse and agree to abide by the policies set therein.

SIGNATURE

DATE