

**Agreement for Interment in Memorial Prayer Garden**  
*First Presbyterian Church, 302 North Dunton Avenue, Arlington Heights, Illinois 60004*

**Person to be interred:**

This agreement covers interment of the cremated remains of \_\_\_\_\_  
in the Memorial Prayer Garden (MPG) of the First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights, Illinois.

For a recommended contribution of \$1000, the cremains will be interred during a private service.

A nameplate bearing the name, with years of birth and death, will be placed on the MPG plaque.  
The name on the plaque shall read: \_\_\_\_\_

The year of birth on the plaque shall be: \_\_\_\_\_ If deceased, the year of death is: \_\_\_\_\_

**Record of interment (to be completed by staff after interment):**

Year of death \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Interment \_\_\_\_\_ Officiant \_\_\_\_\_

**Rules and conditions:**

The interment of cremains is subject to the conditions printed in this agreement. These rules and conditions are subject to changes adopted by the Landscape Committee and approved by the Session and Board of Trustees of First Presbyterian Church, Arlington Heights, Illinois.

1. **Contribution.** The recommended contribution after dedication of the Garden is \$1000. Only cremated human remains may be interred. Cremains will be deposited directly into the earth. Once interred, cremated remains may not be removed from the garden.
2. **Participants.** Members and former members of First Presbyterian Church and their immediate families including parents, as well as present and former clergy and staff and their spouses, may be memorialized and their cremains buried in the Garden.
3. **Religious Service.** A Christian service shall be held at each interment. This is to be a private service for the immediate family and their guests performed by a member of the pastoral staff or another ordained member of the clergy with the concurrence of a member of the pastoral staff. Normally, this service will be conducted at a time other than immediately following a Memorial Service in the Sanctuary. Generally, interments will take place in the months of April through November.
4. **Location of Interred Cremains.** Cremains will be buried in the earth and no specific location shall be identified with any individual. No stones or other individual markers shall be placed in the Garden.
5. **Memorial Plaques.** To memorialize those persons whose cremains have been interred in the Garden, a decorative plaque with inscribed plates is displayed in the extended narthex adjacent to the Garden. An individual plate will be inscribed with the name and years of birth and death for each person.
6. **Designation.** For those individuals who have contributed during their lifetime for future interment, the contributor may change the designation of the person(s) whose cremains may be interred by notice in writing delivered to and accepted by the Building, Operations and Technology Specialist. The right to designate names of persons whose cremains may be interred ceases with the death of the contributor, unless, prior to contributor's death, the contributor designated another person (in writing) to exercise the right to specify whose cremains can be interred within the limits of this agreement.
7. **Assignment.** Except with the prior written consent of the Landscape Committee, contributor's rights may not be assigned, transferred or inherited and shall not be subject to claims of creditors.
8. **Integrity of the Memorial Prayer Garden.** The Garden shall be maintained as originally approved by the Board of Trustees, subject to change upon the recommendation of the Landscape Committee with concurrence of the Board. There will be church maintained plantings and flowers in the Garden; therefore, no additional flowers or plants may be left in the Garden.

9. **Termination of Right to Use and Removal of Cremains.** The right of contributors to interment shall cease if the present church property is sold or abandoned or interments are halted for any reason. Contributed monies deposited shall be reimbursed. The Session shall enter into agreement with contributors for return of such contributed monies. Cremains interred in the Garden shall be removed, if necessary, and re-interred in hallowed ground provided by the church Session.

**If person to be interred is living,** please furnish the name and address of the person(s) who will assist in making arrangements:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Relation \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Relation \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Agreement signed by primary survivor:**

In accordance with the regulations of the First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights, Illinois, I hereby agree that at no time will I request retrieval of the cremated remains of: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Dated \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of living person making agreement for interment of own cremains:**

To Whom It May Concern:

Upon my death, it is my desire to be cremated and my cremains to be interred in the Memorial Prayer Garden of the First Presbyterian Church of Arlington Heights, Illinois. I also request that my survivors comply with all the stated regulations of this church concerning interments.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*The Church will maintain this original form. It is recommended that you file duplicates of this form with your attorney and a relative and clip a copy to your will.*

**Agreement accepted by (can be person to be interred or can be any person who can legally arrange for interment, e.g. spouse, surviving child, executor of estate, etc.):**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Witness: \_\_\_\_\_ Witness: \_\_\_\_\_

**Approved by representative of church:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Receipt of Contribution:**

Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Received from: \_\_\_\_\_

Recorded by \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Memorial Prayer Garden Information Form for Person to be Interred (Optional)**

Full name \_\_\_\_\_

Date and place of birth \_\_\_\_\_

Date and place of baptism \_\_\_\_\_

Date and place of death \_\_\_\_\_

Military service \_\_\_\_\_

Business or profession \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's name \_\_\_\_\_

Date and place of marriage \_\_\_\_\_

Father (of person to be interred) \_\_\_\_\_

Mother (of person to be interred) \_\_\_\_\_

Names of children

Dates of birth

Names of children	Dates of birth

Brothers \_\_\_\_\_

Sisters \_\_\_\_\_

Grandchildren \_\_\_\_\_

Will friends be requested to give gifts to a memorial fund in lieu of flowers? \_\_\_\_\_

If so, indicate to which fund the gifts should be given: \_\_\_\_\_

Are there any specific hymns, music or scripture that are desired?


Other instructions and comments (use reverse if needed): \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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