

You may realize significant savings by choosing burial at a Forest Lawn Group Cemetery

The Forest Lawn Group of Cemeteries includes Forest Lawn in Buffalo, St. Matthew's Cemetery in West Seneca, Lakeside Cemetery in Hamburg and the Williamsville Cemetery and Gethsemane Cemetery in Williamsville.

We've recently changed the Rules and Regulations for all of our cemeteries. These changes could enable those who choose to be buried or interred in a mausoleum (either traditional, casketed burial or cremation) in one of our cemeteries to realize **significant savings on the cost of burial space**.

The Forest Lawn Group of Cemeteries now allows up to 4 burials in a single grave, and up to 11 interments in a single mausoleum crypt.

Now, for each grave that you purchase at any of the Forest Lawn Group of Cemeteries, you can have up to 4 family members interred in that single, full-size grave. This can include 1 full casket plus 3 cremation urns OR a total of 4 cremation urns. In a single mausoleum crypt, you can have up to 11 family members (11 cremation urns) interred in that crypt.

This can represent a significant cost savings for your family, and help you ensure that your family remains together forever. Here's an example...

A couple purchases two single side-by-side full-size graves at one of the Forest Lawn Group of Cemeteries. They choose traditional casketed burial. Under our new expanded burial rights, there is room in those 2 graves for the couple who purchased the space, and up to 6 other members of their family (if those family members choose cremation), which is a total of 8 burials in those 2 graves.

Do you have an ancestor who purchased burial space at any of the Forest Lawn Group of Cemeteries?

If so, as a result of the change in our Rules and Regulations, you may be entitled to FREE burial space for yourself and your spouse. If you are eligible for free burial space, you'll have two options:

1. You can let us know that you **INTEND** to use the burial space for yourself and your spouse at the time of death. We will help you complete a simple form stating your intention. Please note this will not guarantee the space will be yours to use, as other relatives of the original lot owner may precede you in death and wish to use that specific space. In that case, we will contact you at the last telephone number or email address you provide to assist you with selecting another space in your family lot if available.

OR

2. You can exclusively **RESERVE** the burial space for your future use, which will guarantee that the space will be yours to use. In order to pursue this option, you'll need to take another step. The law requires that in order for you to absolutely reserve a specific burial space for your burial at the time of death, all of the other direct descendants of the original lot owner must give up their right to be buried in the same place and specifically consent to your burial in that specific space by completing the appropriate forms and filing them with Forest Lawn. There is a state-approved \$95 fee for this service.

Please note that New York State mandated fees for burial services would still apply.

To find out if you're eligible for FREE burial space, simply call the Forest Lawn Group at (716) 885-1600.

