And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

St. John 14:3

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Memorial Garden

Dedicated in 1986 as The House of Hope Presbyterian Church Columbarium, the Memorial Garden is an integral part of House of Hope’s end of life ministry, much like a traditional church yard cemetery. It is located in the Garth, a peaceful and inviting interior garden space created during the 1959 construction of the Neill Wing. The Garth is open to the sky and surrounded by Kirk Parlor, the Art Gallery, the Cloister and education classrooms.

The Memorial Garden provides a space for House of Hope members to remember their loved ones in a place where their cremated remains have been interred. The Memorial Garden in the Garth is a reminder of preceding generations, and a sacred place for contemplation. The Garth is also a place of friendship and gathering, a connection between those in our faith community who have departed and those living today.

The Memorial Garden is owned by the church, and is operated and maintained subject to the Memorial Garden Terms and Conditions. The church is responsible for all interment arrangements.

Interment in the Memorial Garden is generally available to currently active members, their spouses, partners and children. Former members may be considered if their membership was active until their transfer.

The Memorial Garden is available for visits on Sunday mornings and during regular church business hours.

To reserve a space for interment in the Memorial Garden, please contact the Director of Administration to begin the process. The Agreement for use of the Memorial Garden will need to be completed and signed. Additional information about House of Hope’s Memorial Garden is available on the church website and in the church office.

Interment Service - Interment in the garden often takes place immediately before the memorial service. If desired, clergy will conduct a brief religious service at the time of interment. A memorial service at House of Hope is not required.

Memorial Garden Pricing
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One interment: $1500
Two interments: $2800

Includes engraving in stone on the Garth wall of one (or two) names with year of birth and death, one (or two) openings and closings of the interment site in the Memorial Garden, choice of interment site, choice of inscription site, record-keeping and Memorial Garden care in perpetuity. The cost of cremation and cost of the urn are not included.

Memorial Garden fees must be paid in full prior to interment. Pre-payments can be made in installments over three years. Contact the Director of Administration for additional information.