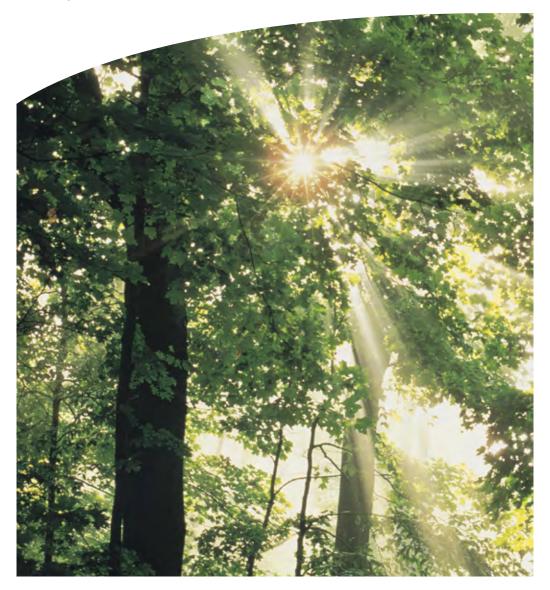
# In Loving Memory

Memorial Options at Mintlyn Crematorium



Borough Council of
King's Lynn &
West Norfolk







# A fitting memorial

This brochure provides details of the many different memorial options available to you at Mintlyn. You can choose from living memorials such as trees, conifers and shrubs, to a Columbarium vault, benches with plaques, memorial plates at a kerb, or the Book of Remembrance.

Alternatively some people wish to collect the cremated remains in one of our decorative urns or caskets.

Others choose to have the cremated remains scattered here without a permanent memorial.

Whatever option you choose, we give you our assurance of the highest level of service, commitment and sympathy.

Please do feel free to call or email us with any specific questions you may have about the memorials available at Mintlyn. We are here to assist.

"Loving memories we will never forget, sadly missed along life's way,
With silent thought and deep regret, we think of you every day,
No longer in our life to share, but in our hearts you're always there"



The Book is a permanent memorial. It is displayed in a glass topped cabinet in a dedicated room at Mintlyn. It should be noted that the entries in the Book are not automatic.

#### **The Book**

The quarterly volumes of the Book of Remembrance are hand-made throughout, using traditional book binding techniques. The vellum cover bears the Coat of Arms of the Borough, and is finished with gold leaf tooling and semi-precious stones.

Two pages are allocated to each day of the year, and the Book is always displayed open for 'today' in a protective glass case. Each book is for a specific period that is January to March, April to June, July to September, October to December. Other than when the book for the next quarter is at our calligrapher having new entries added, all books are at Mintlyn and so entries may also be viewed on other dates by prior arrangement. If the book is away at our calligrapher, the relevant entry can be viewed via a computer at the crematorium.

Many families select the anniversary for date of death, but it can be the date of birth, anniversary or other special date. However, we will only permit entries on 11 November, 25 December, 1 January and 14 February where it is the anniversary for date of death. For an additional fee you can choose to have more than one identical entry but for different dates.

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#### **The Memorial**

The entry into the book is carefully executed by highly skilled artists, and inscribed under the date you select with the wording of your choice penned in red and black ink. The surname is always listed first in red with the first names beside it in black ink. The remainder of the inscription is in black ink.

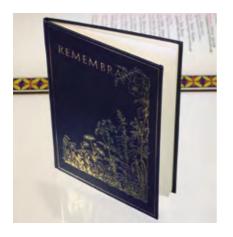
The number of lines of the inscription is yours to choose. We offer a simple 2 line memorial, but you can have as many lines as you wish. For inscriptions of 5 lines or more, space is available to enhance the memorial by the inclusion of a miniature work of art. The choice of any miniature work of art is also yours, examples of which include cats, dogs, birds, flowers, trees, bunches of flowers, as well as military cap badges, family crests or similar. If you are unsure then please feel free to discuss your choice with our office staff. You do however need to be aware that we do have to limit the number of letters and spaces of each line of inscription where there is a work of art included.

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#### **Personal Book of Remembrance**

Hand produced reproductions of the inscription, as it appears in the Book of Remembrance, are available in a Personal Book of Remembrance. The hard backed book is approximately 6" x 8" and has a blue cover embossed with a design in gold leaf. More inscriptions can be added at a later date to the Personal Book should you wish. The Personal Book is supplied in an attractive protective box. A sample is on display at Mintlyn. It is not necessary to have an entry in the Book of Remembrance to choose to have the Personal Book or Remembrance Card. You can select just to buy these more personal memorials.

#### **Remembrance Cards**

These are hand produced reproductions identical to the entry in the Book of Remembrance, on card, to approximately 6" x 4", which has a reproduction of the larger Book of Remembrance on the cover, and is supplied with a protective PVC wallet. A sample is on display at Mintlyn.



At Christmas we have a Memorial Christmas Tree in the Book of Remembrance room where tags can be placed on the tree, with the money raised going to a local Charity nominated by visitors to Mintlyn.



#### **General Information on Memorial Plates**

The memorial consists of two parts, the lease of the kerb / shrub / conifer / seat, and the memorial plate. The plate is your property and is placed at the memorial. The lease is paid on a yearly basis which allows the memorial plate to stay in place. We own the memorial and we will maintain it. The location can be leased for any period from 1 to 99 years [the memorial period]. We do have the right to maintain or replace the memorial; and remove any items or planting around or under the memorial, and we ask that flowers are placed in the book of remembrance room.

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Cremated remains can be buried or scattered with shrub and conifer memorials; seat and kerb memorials have the cremated remains scattered on the ground behind.

The memorial lease can be extended during the memorial period on payment of the appropriate fee. We will issue a reminder one month before the end of the memorial period to the address on our records. It is important that you advise us of any changes in address, as if after reasonable attempts to contact you, and should the lease lapse, we will remove the memorial plate.

Should you wish to arrange a Personalised Appointment to witness the laying to rest of the cremated remains, this can be arranged either before or after the memorial plate has been manufactured, checked and placed at the memorial. If you do not wish to witness the ceremony then we can not do this at a specific date or time.

You will need to allow around eight weeks from our receiving your application and payment for the memorial plate to be in place. Memorial plates can be refurbished at any time for an additional fee. Only memorial plates from our manufacturer will be allowed in the grounds.



There are some areas of the Gardens of Remembrance that have been laid out with chamfered kerbing to which cast bronze plates can be fixed.

The memorial plate is made of cast bronze and will bear an inscription of your choice. A photograph of the deceased may also be included on the memorial plate. It will reduce the space available for wording but offers a more personalised memorial.

The inscription may also refer to a previous deceased on the same plate. Or you may decide to change the plate to show two names at a later date. You may also wish to have a memorial without anyone scattered at the kerb. Alternatively, a position can be reserved adjoining (next to) the original plate for a second plate to be placed on that reserve position in the future. Plates cannot have names added as they are individually cast.

Where there is a position and a reserved position next to it, a larger plate may be selected to be placed over both positions if desired



Various shrubs have already been planted in the Gardens of Remembrance that have been set aside for use as memorials. You can select an existing shrub or if you require a new shrub we have a list of shrubs that are best suited to the soil conditions at Mintlyn.

The memorial plate is made of cast aluminium and will bear an inscription of your choice and is placed at the base of the shrub. A photograph of the deceased may also be included on the memorial plate. It will reduce the space available for wording but offers a more personalised memorial.

The memorial plates are available in two sizes, one designed for a single name and inscription, and another designed for more than one name with inscription. You can add additional memorial plates to a shrub, or you may wish to pay to have a new plate with more than one name on it. Plates can not have names added as they are individually cast.



There is a dedicated area set aside in the Gardens of Remembrance where conifers are already planted or there is space for new conifers for use as memorials. The area for them is limited. You can select an existing conifer or if you require a new conifer we can recommend a number of slow growing varieties.

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A limited number of bays for seats are available for use as memorials within Mintlyn Grounds. The six foot seats are constructed of Teak.

The memorial plate is made of brass and is inscribed with the wording of your choice and screwed to the backrest of the seat.

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#### The Columbarium

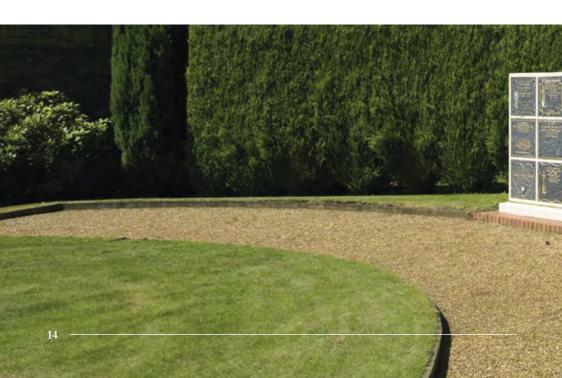
The Columbarium is a set of permanent wall like structures made up of 12 spaces known as vaults in which cremated remains can be placed.

Mintlyn Crematorium leases out vaults so that urns or caskets can be placed in them. The vault will then be sealed with a blue grey pearl granite fascia, which is referred to as a tablet. The style, design and wording will be very much a personal choice. The tablet will have the inscription in gold leaf, from a selection of letter types and sizes. Additional inscriptions can be added later providing that enough room has been left.

The memorial consists of two parts, the

lease and the memorial tablet. The lease is paid on a yearly basis which allows the tablet to stay in place, we own the columbarium and we will maintain it. The vault can be leased for any period from 1 to 99 years [the memorial period]. We do have the right to maintain and remove any items at the tablet, and we ask that flowers are placed in the Book of Remembrance room. The tablet is your property.

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Should you wish to arrange a Personalised Appointment to witness the placing of the urn or casket into the vault, this can be arranged either once you have approved the design and paid the fees or after the

memorial tablet has been manufactured, checked and placed at the memorial. If you do not wish to witness the ceremony then we can not do this at a specific date or time.

The vault can accommodate two sets of cremated remains. You need to be aware that not all urns and caskets are suitable for placing in a vault, especially if you wish to have a second set of cremated remains placed there at a later date.

You will need to allow around twelve weeks from our receiving your signed approval of the design, application and payment for the tablet to be in place. Tablets can be refurbished at any time for an additional fee.



#### **Urns and Caskets**

Urns and caskets vary from very simple and functional to ornate. Urns and caskets are used where the cremated remains are to be buried or placed in a Columbarium Vault. Some families like to have cremated remains placed in a special urn or casket so they can be kept close by.

We fully appreciate that everyone will have a preference in urns or caskets, which is why at Mintlyn we offer a small selection to suit most requirements. Some are not suitable for burial; some are not suitable for a Columbarium Vault if another is also to be placed there.

We also offer a small range of keepsake urns, which give the option of retaining a small amount of cremated remains.

If you are still undecided, as we can source and order alternative designs, please feel free to discuss your specific requirements with us.

#### Keepsake urns







#### **Urns suitable for burial**







(designs may vary slightly)

#### **Caskets suitable for burial**





Not all are suitable for the Columbarium



# **Witness Ceremony**

The short ceremony is conducted by a member of the Mintlyn Crematorium team; it does give an opportunity to witness the cremated remains being laid to rest and offers a conclusion to the full funeral service. A personalised commemorative certificate will be presented to you showing the location where the cremated remains are laid to rest; a photograph can be added should you so wish.

The ceremony can be personalised with a prayer, poem or reading supplied by the family; or you may wish to arrange for a minister to attend.

After the scattering or burial we will leave you with your own thoughts. Scattering or burials will only be carried out by a trained member of the Mintlyn Crematorium team.

There are a limited number of appointments Monday to Friday.

## **Forever in Glass**

A unique memorial of a small amount of cremated remains handcrafted in a beautiful memorial piece of sculpted or blown glass.

If you are interested in this memorial then please contact our office for more information.



If you have any questions that you feel have not been answered by this brochure or any questions about forms that have been sent to you; or if you feel we can be of any further assistance regarding any of the services or items mentioned; or if you have a request not covered, then please do not hesitate to contact us by telephone or email.

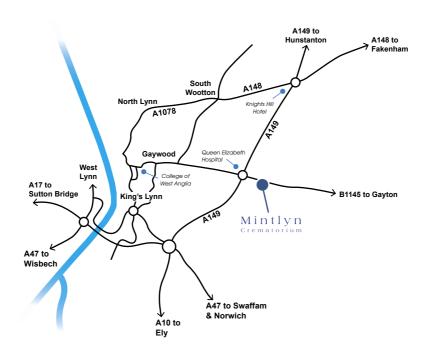
You may find that walking around the 17 acres of grounds and gardens at Mintlyn can assist with any memorial option you have in mind, but we would ask that if you plan to pop in to ask a question that you book an appointment so that there is someone available to answer your question fully. We can arrange tours of the building and grounds by appointment.

"Remembrance is a golden chain death tries to break, but all in vain.

To have, to love, and then to part, is the greatest sorrow of one's heart.

The years may wipe out many things, but some they wipe out never.

Like memories of those happy times, when we were all together. "



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