

Being Respectful

Tributes encroaching on neighbouring sites or of an offensive nature may cause considerable distress. We ask that all tributes are placed according to these guidelines and within the confines of the intended burial or memorial site. Items affixed to surrounding trees, placed on garden beds or pathways impede access and may be considered unsightly by others. These items will be removed without notice.

Maintaining the Cemeteries

Maintaining our cemeteries in a safe and tidy manner is a demanding task and Council seeks your support and assistance.

During scheduled maintenance old flowers both fresh and artificial that have deteriorated, faded, blown away or been damaged will be removed. We encourage families to remove precious items before they deteriorate.

Please keep items in the intended area for each type of burial or memorial site as excessive tributes prevent maintenance of the area and negatively impact the operation of maintenance and digging equipment.

Visiting the Cemeteries

Our Cemeteries are open every day of the year during daylight hours. When visiting we ask that you respect the privacy of those tending to the graves of their loved ones and keep a respectful distance from funeral proceedings.

Please stay on the paths and roadways where possible and refrain from leaning on, standing on or disturbing monuments.

If visiting with your dog, they must be kept on a short leash as cemeteries are not leash free areas. It is also your responsibility to pick-up after your pet.



Cemetery Locations

Balmoral (historic cemetery)

Bolans Rd, Balmoral

Berrima General Cemetery

583 Berrima Road, Berrima

Bowral General Cemetery

109 Kangaloon Road, Bowral

Bundanoon General Cemetery

Ferndale Road, Bundanoon

Burradoo Wesleyan/ Methodist

(closed, ash placements only)

Burradoo Road, Burradoo

Burrawang Cemetery

Church Street, Burrawang

East Kangaloon Cemetery

(closed, ash placements only)

Kangaloon Road,

East Kangaloon

Glenquarry Cemetery

(closed, ash placements only)

Tourist Road, Glenquarry

Moss Vale General Cemetery

75 Berrima Road,

Moss Vale

Myra Vale Cemetery

(existing rights only/
ash placements)

Myra Vale Road, Myra Vale

Penrose General Cemetery

Victoria Street, Penrose

Robertson General Cemetery

151 Missingham Parade,

Robertson

Rowe's Hill Anglican Cemetery

(existing rights only/
ash placements)

869 Old South Road,

Mittagong

Welby General Cemetery

50 Meranie Street,

Welby

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Guidelines for placing tributes in public cemeteries



Information on flower and ornamental tributes

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Floral Tributes in Lawn Beam/ Monumental Areas

When placing flowers or other tributes at sites in all designated lawn beam burial areas they should only be placed neatly on or directly against the front of the concrete beam at the head of the burial allotment.

Floral tributes will often temporarily cover the whole of an allotment at the time of a funeral; however these will be removed when they deteriorate if these burial sites are in a designated lawn area.

The planting of gardens, shrubs, trees and rockeries on burial allotments in designated lawn beam burial areas is not permitted in line with the wishes of those who have chosen to be laid to rest in these lawn areas.

In Monumental areas floral tributes must be placed within the vases built into the monument or placed neatly on the built monument or at the head of the burial site.

While fresh flowers are preferred, artificial flowers are permitted. Many cemeteries are home to native wildlife who also enjoy fresh flowers, therefore artificial flowers or other types of tribute may be more appropriate in some locations.

Plastic reusable vases are provided in most cemeteries and are free for you to use. When your flowers deteriorate empty the old flowers in the rubbish bins and return the vase to the basket or reuse for fresh flowers.

If you are unsure if the site is in a lawn or monumental area please contact your funeral director or Wingecarribee Shire Council for guidance.

Floral Tributes at Memorial Trees, Walls and Gardens

When placing floral tributes in these areas please keep in mind that each niche is often fairly small and has limited space for floral tributes. Tributes should not be placed in garden beds but may be placed along the edge in front of the memorial walls or Rose Gardens.

Non-Floral Tributes

Treasured keepsakes are often left at cemeteries and these can hold precious memories shared with loved ones. It is important to remember that cemeteries are exposed to the elements, are open to the public and are not supervised. All items left in the cemetery will eventually break, deteriorate, fade and are at risk of being moved or blown away. For this reason visitors may wish to reconsider placing items of significant sentimental or monetary value.

Safety First, breakable items

The safety of visitors, the community and our staff are of the utmost importance. For this reason certain items are prohibited in all cemeteries.

Items made from or containing glass or other breakable materials such as porcelain are prohibited as they pose a serious risk to visitors and staff when damaged.

Other Hazardous items

Stones, Pebbles, decorative fencing, wire, wire netting, and metal spikes can all present a danger to maintenance staff and should not to be placed in lawn areas.



Candles and Incense Sticks

The lighting of candles and incense sticks for cultural or religious reasons is acceptable only where the candle or incense is fully contained in an approved enclosed container.

These items pose a substantial fire risk and will be extinguished if not enclosed. On days of total fire ban the lighting of these items is prohibited altogether. As an alternative, appropriately placed LED candles may be used.