

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Can I plan ahead and pre-plan my interment arrangements?

A: Yes, you can ensure your wishes will be honoured and your family is not burdened during a difficult time by pre-planning your interment.

Q: How are the cemeteries maintained?

A: The City is responsible for maintaining the cemeteries, including mowing the grass, clearing the walkways, removing garbage and litter, and other general maintenance tasks. Care funds are collected to maintain memorial headstones, grounds, walkways, and buildings within the cemeteries.

The City also is responsible for all interment related activities, including preparation and the opening and closing of graves.

Q: What are permitted memorials?

A: The Cemetery Regulation and Maintenance Bylaw No. 2433, 2019, includes information on permitted materials and sizes for memorials. Please ensure your memorial meets these requirements by contacting the Cemetery Clerk at cemetery@fortstjohn.ca or 250-787-8150.

Only City staff or an approved contractor are permitted to install memorial tablets, markers, and monuments on graves.

Q: What ornamentation can I place on a plot or niche?

A: You are permitted to place cut or artificial flowers, wreaths or floral offerings. You are not permitted to:

- Place non-permanent adornment such as vases, candles, lanterns, lamps, picture frames, toys or glass, ceramic or metal objects
- Plant or install alternative landscaping such as a fence, roping, hedge, curb, railing, hooks, arbour, or trellis

The City is authorized to remove any non-permanent adornments or alternative landscaping from anywhere in the cemetery.

Interment Arrangements

To set up an Interment Arrangement appointment contact the Cemetery Clerk:

250-787-8150 or cemetery@fortstjohn.ca

During the appointment, the Cemetery Clerk will help complete the Cemetery Information Form and schedule to have the plot or niche prepared for the service.

Bring the following documentation to the appointment:

- A copy of the official Death Certificate, if available
- A copy of the first page of the Will, to indicate the legal authority to act on behalf of the deceased

Payment can be made at City Hall and is required before the service.



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City of Fort St. John

Cemetery Rates and Information





COLUMBARIUM AT WOODLAWN CEMETERY

City of Fort St. John Cemeteries

Fort St. John Cemetery

A historic cemetery established in 1932 near the current city centre. Burial plots are not available; however, there are limited columbarium niches available.

Woodlawn Cemetery

Established in 1978, the cemetery provides the following burial options:

- Traditional burial:
 - > Infant, child or adult plots available
 - > Two caskets are permitted in a double depth plot
- Cremation:
 - > Adult plot - up to 6 cremated remains
 - > Cremation plot - up to 2 cremated remains
 - > Columbarium - single or double niches available

Rates

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Infant Plot	\$230	\$250	\$270	\$290	\$310	\$330
Perpetual Care Fund	\$58	\$63	\$68	\$73	\$78	\$83
Interment Service	\$460	\$490	\$520	\$560	\$600	\$640
Child Plot	\$290	\$310	\$330	\$350	\$370	\$400
Perpetual Care Fund	\$73	\$78	\$83	\$88	\$93	\$100
Interment Service	\$570	\$610	\$650	\$700	\$750	\$800
Adult Plot	\$350	\$370	\$400	\$430	\$460	\$490
Perpetual Care Fund	\$88	\$93	\$100	\$108	\$115	\$123
Interment Service	\$690	\$740	\$790	\$850	\$910	\$970
Double depth (first interment)	\$1,035	\$1,110	\$1,190	\$1,280	\$1,370	\$1,460
Cremation Plot	\$230	\$250	\$270	\$290	\$310	\$330
Perpetual Care Fund	\$58	\$63	\$68	\$73	\$78	\$83
Interment Service	\$230	\$250	\$270	\$290	\$310	\$330
Columbarium - Small (top 2 rows)	\$430	\$460	\$490	\$520	\$560	\$600
Perpetual Care Fund	\$43	\$46	\$49	\$52	\$56	\$60
Interment Service	\$220	\$240	\$260	\$280	\$300	\$320
Columbarium - Small (bottom 2 rows)	\$320	\$340	\$360	\$390	\$420	\$450
Perpetual Care Fund	\$32	\$34	\$36	\$39	\$42	\$45
Interment Service	\$220	\$240	\$260	\$280	\$300	\$320
Columbarium - Sunset (top 6 rows)	\$540	\$580	\$620	\$660	\$710	\$760
Perpetual Care Fund	\$54	\$58	\$62	\$66	\$71	\$76
Interment Service	\$220	\$240	\$260	\$280	\$300	\$320
Columbarium - Sunset (bottom row)	\$480	\$510	\$550	\$590	\$630	\$670
Perpetual Care Fund	\$48	\$51	\$55	\$59	\$63	\$67
Interment Service	\$220	\$240	\$260	\$280	\$300	\$320
Additional Fees						
Weekend service (additional charge)	\$480	\$510	\$550	\$590	\$630	\$670
Flat or pillow memorial installation	\$170	\$180	\$190	\$200	\$210	\$220
Upright memorial installation	\$670	\$720	\$770	\$820	\$880	\$940
Memorial Perpetual Care Fund	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10	\$10