





The Memorial Garden, surrounding a central fountain, is intended for the scattering of ashes. When a family decides to scatter the cremated remains in the Memorial Garden, the ground is prepared so that the ashes are placed directly

death can be engraved on the central memorial plaque located in the garden. The cost to scatter ashes in the Memorial Garden is

The purchase of a Columbarium niche entitles the purchaser to perpetual use. The University of Richmond will retain property rights and assumes responsibility for perpetual care of the

The virtues of planning ahead have long been extolled and extend beyond the responsibilities of financial concerns. The comfort and security that comes when a family knows the final wishes of a loved one are being honored brings consolation at a time when it is most needed. People often make decisions about their final arrangements at the time their wills are drawn, and feel a great sense of accomplishment and relief when their plans are in order.

## APPROACHES TO USING THE COLUMBARIUM

There are several approaches available to families choosing inurnment in the Columbarium. You may choose for cremation to be performed shortly after death, followed by a memorial service either soon after or at a later date. The presence of the urn containing the ashes at the service is one of personal choice.

Inurnment in the Columbarium can follow a service and can be done in the presence of family and friends. Inurnment can also precede the service, while some choose to delay inurnment until a later date altogether. Inurnment also accommodates those families who want to have an arrangement with a funeral home that includes visitation hours and a service. The funeral home can arrange for cremation to take place afterward, and inurnment at the University of Richmond's Columbarium can follow.

A staff member of a funeral home can provide the necessary financial information for such arrangements.

## NEW OPPORTUNITY BASED ON AN OLD AND HONORED TRADITION

The Columbarium is a safe, permanent, and peaceful place where people come on a regular basis. It is a place imbued with a rich sense of history and sacredness. When names are inscribed on the granite plates covering the niches in the Columbarium, these persons and their stories become part of the University of Richmond's long and distinguished history.



