

Remembering
the Past, Caring
for the Future
and
Remembering
the Present



Opening Hours

Pedestrian Gates

Open 24 hours a day every day of the year.

Vehicles

Gates are open from 8:00am to 5:00pm every day.

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Care of Burial locations following interments



Information on what to expect
in the first six months

What Is Grave Settling?

Grave settling is a natural and expected process that occurs after a burial. As the soil settles around the interment (coffin, casket, or shroud), the ground surface will gradually lower.

Due to the high proportion of clay at our cemetery, this settling process typically takes around six months.

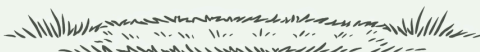
Grave Settling Process



1. Freshly Mounded



2. Partially Sunken



3. Fully Settled and Grass Grown

What You May Notice

Immediately After the Burial

The grave will appear mounded with soil. This is intentional and allows room for natural settling.

Over the following months

The soil slowly settles and compacts around the interment. After periods of heavy rainfall, settling may occur at a faster rate as the conditions cause the clay soil to settle.

Our grounds team closely monitors this process and will top up the soil levels as needed to maintain a respectful and safe surface.

While we do our best to ensure the soil does not sink below the surrounding ground height, temporary dips can occur. Please be assured that our staff will address this as soon as possible.

Final steps

Once the settling has stabilised, often around six months, our team prepares the surface with premium topsoil and lawn seed (for lawn sections)

This final stage helps restore the grave to a neat, consistent appearance.

We Are Here for You

If at any time you have concerns or questions about the appearance or condition of a grave, please reach out to our Client Services Team. We are here to support you, answer your questions, and ensure your loved one's resting place is cared for with dignity.

Please do not hesitate to contact us.

