

RULES GOVERNING THE COLUMBARIUM
GRACE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
2225 Washington Street Lincoln, NE 68502

I PURPOSE

The purpose of these rules is to set forth the way in which the Columbarium at Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church (hereinafter called the Church) is administered and controlled.

II ADMINISTRATION

The Columbarium, the space around it, its use and its maintenance shall at all times be under full control of the Church Council. This control shall be exercised through a Columbarium Committee (hereinafter called the Committee) elected by the Church Council. The Committee shall be composed of three elected members and the Senior Pastor. It shall meet as required, and those members present shall constitute a quorum so long as all members have been notified of such meeting at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting. The Committee shall report at least annually to the church.

III THE COLUMBARIUM

The Columbarium consists of a set of niches of uniform size for inurnment of the ashes of cremated bodies. Each niche shall have a metal nameplate, uniform in length, upon which shall be engraved only the name of the deceased whose ashes it contains, the date of birth and the date of death. Every attempt is to be made to keep the engraving uniform on all niches. If additions are made to the Columbarium, to the extent possible the same design shall be utilized as in the original installation.

IV ELIGIBILITY FOR USE OF NICHES

Inurnment in the Columbarium shall normally be limited to baptized members of the church, former members and immediate families of those noted above. Others may be inurned with special approval of the Columbarium Committee.

V RESERVATION PRIVILEGE

Niches may be used after payment in full. This agreement will be confirmed by the signing and issuance of a Columbarium Agreement Form.

Niches may be reserved by 25% down payment, with an additional 25% to be paid each year for three additional years.

VI TITLE AND RIGHTS OF THE CHURCH

Legal title to the Columbarium and all niches contained therein shall at all times remain in

the Church. The exclusive right to place cremated remains of an eligible person in a niche, and to keep them there as long as the Columbarium is maintained, is based on the following conditions:

1. The purchaser of this exclusive right, who has paid the purchase price in full, shall receive a Certificate of Use, signed by the Chair and Secretary of the Committee. This certificate will attest to his or her exclusive right to use a niche for the inurnment of the cremated remains of an eligible person or persons.
2. There shall be no future charges or assessments after the purchase price has been paid in full.
3. The exclusive right to use a reserved niche may not be sold or otherwise transferred. It can only be surrendered back to the Church with a \$250 refund of the purchase price, unless otherwise determined by the Committee.
4. The church reserves the right to move the Columbarium to another location should it be necessary to do so.

VII PRICE AND SELECTION OF NICHES

1. The price of exclusive use of a niche will be set, and may be changed from time to time, by the committee. However, all niches, regardless of location within the columbarium, will be the same price at any given time.
2. A portion of the purchase price will be considered a gift to the Columbarium Fund of the church. The Committee will designate this amount as part of the pricing structure.

VIII THE COLUMBARIUM FUND

The purchase price for a niche will cover the cost of the niche, installations and beautification of the area around the Columbarium, opening and closing the niche, engraving of the name plate, and a residual to be maintained in a reserve account, separate from general church funds, for future needs related to maintenance, enlargement, or moving of the Columbarium.

IX ACCESS AND RESTRICTIONS

The Columbarium shall be open to visitors at all times when the church is open to the public. No flowers, flags, insignias or other decorations may be added except as approved by the Committee.

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COLUMBARIUM AGREEMENT FORM

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into this _____ day of _____
_____ by Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, 2225 Washington Street, Lincoln, Nebraska,
and _____.

It is hereby agreed that _____ has on this day purchased
Niche(s) # _____ in the Columbarium located on the property of Grace Evangelical
Lutheran Church and is entitled to place up to two appropriately sized urns of human ashes in
each Niche purchased, or if urns are not used, the cremated remains of up to four individuals.

_____ has paid Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church upon execution of this
Agreement the sum of one thousand (\$1,000) dollars per Niche, two hundred fifty (\$250)
dollars per Niche representing the purchase price and the balance of seven hundred fifty (\$750)
dollars per niche to be a tax deductible donation to the columbarium Fund of Grace Evangelical
Lutheran Church.

The ownership and use of said Niche(s) is subject to the published rules and regulations Grace
Evangelical Lutheran Church, current copy of which has been furnished to the purchaser prior
to this Agreement.

_____ agrees that if he or she desires not to use the purchased
Niche(s), such Niche(s) can only be resold back to Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church for the
sum of two hundred fifty (\$250) dollars per Niche.

Executed this _____ day of

Purchaser

Chair of the Columbarium Committee
Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church