



*LAKE RIPLEY  
CEMETERY  
COLUMBARIUM*



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## **Columbarium**

A columbarium is a structure, room, or building that contains niches where cremation urns can be kept.

## **Niche**

A niche is a space or small vault that holds a cremation urn. The most common types of niche are:

Single Niche – room enough to hold one urn

Double Niche – room enough to hold two urns

# *Definitions*

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# *History*

During recent years, the number of people choosing the option of cremation has continuously risen, both nationally and in our community. A columbarium provides a cost effective, yet prestigious, method of honoring the cremated remains of loved ones. It gives family members and friends the opportunity to easily locate and visit the final resting place of an individual anytime they wish. This isn't always the case with cremated remains that are scattered or kept at home where they can be lost from one generation to the next, misplaced while moving to a new house, or even stolen in some cases.

Lake Ripley Cemetery receives many requests every year for a place to inter the cremated remains of a loved one. By offering the columbarium option, the City of Litchfield maintains the viability of our city cemetery and continues to meet the needs of our community.

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# *Layout of the Columbarium*

There are four separate columbarium structures in the columbarium area of the cemetery. On each side are 16 single niche and 16 double niche, for a total of 64 niche per columbarium.

In the center area between the columbarium structures there is a Committal Shelter. This shelter can serve as a space for a ceremony or final farewell before the cremated remains are placed in the niche.





Ownership of interment space in a columbarium shall be considered the same as ownership of other cemetery property and shall descend according to state law.

A single niche shall contain the remains of only one body. A double niche may contain up to two remains.

Opening and closing of a columbarium niche for the interment of remains during regular business hours is included in the sale price.

No permanent memorials will be allowed on or next to the columbarium.

Fresh cut flowers will temporarily be allowed to be placed at the base of the columbarium but will be cleaned up by the City during regular maintenance.

Flexibility will be allowed the first sixty (60) days following interment. In no way shall any temporary memorial cover or block another niche.



# *Niche Front Engraving*

- A granite niche front is included in the sale price of a niche. The engraving of the front is **not** included.
- A person may choose who they would like to have engrave the front.
- Niche fronts can be engraved on-site or off-site. Temporary fronts are available when engraving needs to be done off-site. The City coordinates with the monument company on this.
- A person can design the niche front to their liking. All designs should be approved by the City prior to engraving.

- The only attachments allowed on the niche fronts are a ceramic photo or a veterans medallion. A small or medium bronze medallion may be attached and incorporated into the design.



All prices include opening and closing fees during regular business hours and the granite niche front.

Single Niche \$1,355	Single Niche \$1,355	Single Niche \$1,355	Single Niche \$1,355	Double Niche \$2,295	Double Niche \$2,295	Double Niche \$2,295	Double Niche \$2,295
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Single Niche \$845	Single Niche \$845	Single Niche \$845	Single Niche \$845	Double Niche \$1,395	Double Niche \$1,395	Double Niche \$1,395	Double Niche \$1,395

*Pricing*