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Whispering Waters Cremation Garden

The Newest Addition to Floral Haven



The new Whispering Waters Cremation Garden is the latest addition to the grounds at Floral Haven. It is the first cemetery garden in Green Country to offer a choice of niches in a columbarium, scattering in a contained ossuary and natural-looking stone memorials to mark cremation burials. The area is complemented with a stone waterfall, fish ponds and stream, and is spanned by a flagstone bridge, creating a beautiful and natural setting. The polished granite exterior walls of the scattering ossuary are designed for the placement of bronze memorial plaques in remembrance of loved ones.

Family owned and operated, Floral Haven has long been a leader in offering innovative memorial options to the families of Green Country. In 1990, it was the first to open a complete funeral home and floral shop on the grounds of a cemetery. Floral Haven has a beautiful chapel and large staterooms and offers families the opportunity to handle all of their funeral and cremation service needs at one convenient location. The Family Center was opened in 1995 to provide families a free location for after-service receptions. The crematory was added in 1996, offering families who choose to be present for a cremation a private and comfortable setting, as well as the assurance the cremation would be handled on site, and not by an outside facility run by others.

Other recent additions to Floral Haven have included the addition of plasma television screens to the chapel, visitation rooms and the Family Center, which allow the showing of specially created memorial tribute videos, and the creation of three other cremation gardens that include both burial spaces and cremation-urn benches.



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Honoring Oklahoma's Military Heroes

Although Floral Haven is not a National Cemetery, it is well known in the area for its Memorial Day Weekend services and the display of more than 2,500 flags donated by veterans' families. The cemetery also honors veterans year round in many special military sections. One such area includes the Medal of Honor Court, with bronze recreations of the citations of Oklahoma's recipients of America's highest military honor. Floral Haven is also home to the Freedom Shrine, which features past American flags and the history of the times in which they flew.

"People's expectations of a funeral home and cemetery have changed a great deal in the past few years," says Connie Kelsey, general manager of Floral Haven. "They are looking for more personalized ways to remember their loved ones. We are constantly looking at new ways of addressing that need, which is why we have added a new line of bronze cemetery markers that capture family photographs in three dimensions and the Life's Journey program, as well as the many other new offerings in cremation." Life's Journey is a special tribute that offers people a way of forever sharing the story of a loved one's life in words and pictures on the grounds of the cemetery and funeral home. Access to these collections will soon be accessible worldwide via the Internet.

Ingrained in the staff at Floral Haven is the belief that funerals, cremation services and the cemetery are not designed for the dead, but rather as a way to save memories for those who live.

For more information about all of the options at Floral Haven, visit www.FloralHaven.com or call 918-252-2518. To learn about the many ways of planning in advance, call 918-250-9774.

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