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What is Green Burial?

Green burial is an environmentally sensitive practice where the body is returned to the earth to decompose naturally and contribute to environmental renewal.

Green burial is a spiritually fulfilling alternative to conventional burial, especially for people who are mindful of the cyclical nature of life.

Remembrance

Communal memorial stones have been placed in various locations throughout the Aurora Gardens. They have room for simple inscriptions to record the names of the persons buried in the area nearest each boulder location.

As Aurora Gardens become fully utilized and the memorial plantings mature, a walking path will be created that meanders through the garden, connecting all the memorial stones.

Planting & Maintenance

Native planting material will be planted and Aurora Gardens will evolve into a woodlands type area with communal memorial stones to commemorate our departed loved ones.

To create a diverse, balanced mix of plantings in the woodlands, all planting activities are carried out according to an established planting plan with typical native tree, shrubs, wildflowers, and groundcover species found in the Norththern Alberta region.

Tree, shrub and wildflower planting is done seasonally following a burial. Trees will be planted with sufficient room for them to grow and create a healthy tree and contribute to the natural canopy for wildlife movement, forage and habitation.

Aurora Gardens is City of Edmonton Municipal Cemeteries first green burial area.

Green Burial is a statement of personal values for those who seek to minimize their impact on the local and global environment.

Please contact Municipal Cemeteries Client Services team with any questions.

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