

City of Port Angeles – Ocean View Cemetery – Key Terms and Definitions



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Pre-Need: Any final arrangements made prior to passing.

At-Need: Any final arrangements made for the deceased.

Decedent: A person who has passed.

Method of Disposition: State of remains and how they are to be placed.

Space: A specific, identifiable site within the cemetery designated to serve as the final resting place for remains.

Grave Space: 4' by 8' earth burial space that accommodates a single interment vault with option of four additional urn vaults into the same space.

Urn Space: 2' by 2' earth burial space that accommodates two urn vaults into same space.

Memorial Field: 2' x 2' space in a designated area of the grounds for placement of ground level memorials, markers, and headstones only.

Columbarium: Freestanding structure with enclosed spaces for housing cremated remains.

Niche: An above ground, enclosed space which serves as the resting place for cremated remains.

Interment: Placement or earth burial of non-cremated remains into final resting place.

Inurnment: Placement or earth burial of cremated remains into final resting place.

Entombment: Placement of remains into a vault or niche, within a columbarium or mausoleum.

Disinterment: Removal and transfer of remains from cemetery grounds. Non-cremated remains must be accompanied by a funeral director.

Vault: A concrete enclosure in which remains are placed above or below ground, protecting the remains and integrity of the burial site.

Memorial/Marker: A monument, headstone, or niche shutter, placed over or in the vicinity of a final resting place, in memory of a decedent.

Service Type – Committal

- **Seaside committal service:** A reserved time slot in an outdoor setting, typically at the site of interment, where family, friends and witnesses can gather. Often accompanied by a brief remembrance ceremony, ritual, eulogy, sermon, or prayer. Service Includes pallbearers, weather canopy, outdoor seating and dignified placement equipment as needed. Reserved time - 30 minutes.
- **Ocean Viewing Hall service:** A reserved time slot in an indoor setting where family, friends and witnesses can gather. Often accompanied by a remembrance ceremony, ritual, eulogy, sermon, or prayer. Service Includes pallbearers, indoor seating and dignified placement equipment as needed. Remains are transported to interment site and placed at conclusion of service. Reserved time – 30 minutes.

Service Type – Non-Committal

- **Conveyance Only/Direct Interment:** Brief reception and placement of remains into final resting place during interment service hours. Staff will promptly seal and close interment vault following placement of remains.