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Limestone-

Regulations for memorials in a Church of England churchyard encourage the use of natural stone which will harmonise and blend in with the stone of the church building and locality. Limestone is used in the construction of most English country churches.

A memorial carved in limestone will mellow and ultimately attract a natural growth of lichen and algae to the surface of the stone.

Examples of different limestone are shown on this page.







Granite-

Most Churchyards prohibit the use of highly polished granite, and in particular Black or a colour not considered to blend in with the Church building or the environment of a country churchyard.

However most churchyards will allow Light Grey or Grey Granite, providing the surface is not polished beyond an eggshell finish.

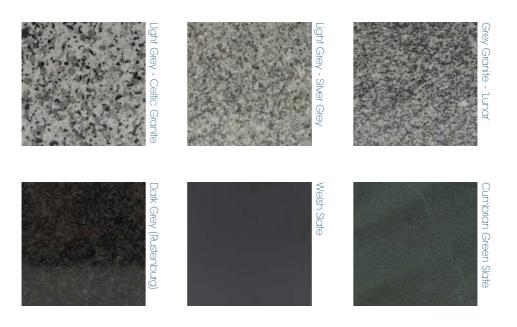
Some Dioceses (e.g. Exeter or Portsmouth) may allow Dark Grey (Rustenburg) granite.

Slate-

Some of the finest slates suitable for a memorial are quarried in the British Isles. Black slate from the Welsh mountains is a favourite choice for stone carvers, particularly as it lends itself to detailed carving and letter cutting.

Cumbria is famous for the attractive Green Slate.

Some churchyards may permit slate, but advice should be sought from the Incumbent (vicar) of the church.









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A selection of Carved Ornamentation which can be added to any memorial























Bespoke Designs

The Traditional skill and techniques of our stonemason, combined with modern technology, allow us to design a memorial to precise individual requirements, to include any personal design or ornamentation which can be carved into a stone. A draft layout can be supplied showing the overall effect before any work is commenced. These are just a few examples of recent work.







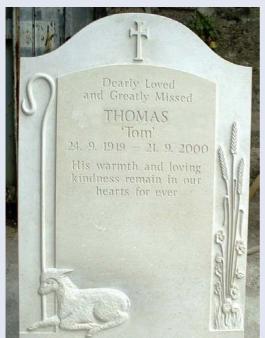
Replica of the Lawrence of Arabia' headstone produced for the Imperial War Museum







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Churchyard Memorials in Granite



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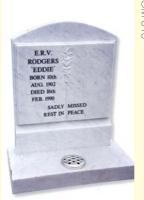


Memorials Sculptured in Italian White Marble



White Marble lends itself to fine carving, particularly for statuary or religious carvings. Unfortunately the Church of England regulations for memorials in churchyards will prohibit the use of White Marble for a memorial, whereas this material will be permitted in most Local Authority run cemeteries. Most of the following memorial designs can also be carved in Stone.















A selection of religious carvings which can be incorporated on a White Marble headstone



These carvings can also be carved in Stone

Tablets, Plaques, Small & Recumbent headstones

In most Churchyards or Cemeteries there will be an area designated for the interment or scattering of ashes. Regulations on the type of memorial permitted will vary. These are just a few examples of the types of memorial permitted.

Cremation Tablets

Sizes and types of stone permitted will vary



Cremation Tablets in a churchyard



StoneCremation tablet with vase hole





Plaques





Slate Plaques in Garden of Remembrance

Recumbent & Small headstones









Renovations & Cleaning

Existing Memorials can be restored to their original condition and where necessary the lettering can be re-carved or re-painted. Inspections are undertaken followed by a quotation for any remedial work.





Lettering Styles

GRASSBY BOLD abcd GRASSBY ROMAN abcd **CRASSBY BLOCK abcd CAXTON BOLD abcd** ALASKA BOLD abcd **CLARENDON** abcd

Inscriptions

Careful consideration should be given to the composition and arrangement of the inscription. Whilst our experience is at your service, it is hoped the following may be helpful.

We can also advise you on the most suitable style of letter to suit the memorial design and stone selected. A proof draft layout of the inscription can be provided for your approval, which will show the overall effect and any amendments can be made before the work commences.

Although an inscription should be legible it should form part of the general design rather than 'stand out'. It should be intimate rather than an advertisement.

It is hoped that the following format will be a guide for the order of an inscription:-

1. THE COMMENCEMENT (Optional)

In loving memory of

In memory of

Cherished memories

Treasured memories

In Memoriam

In Remembrance of

Sacred to the memory

2. The RELATIONSHIP (if desired) E.g. A DEAR HUSBAND, FATHER AND GRANDFATHER

- 3. NAME In full usually
- 4. DATE AND AGE (the latter is sometimes omitted if the date of birth is included)

WHO DIED 3rd MARCH 2016 AGED 90 YEARS

Who passed away 3rd March 2016 Aged 90 Years

BORN 3RD MAY 1925 DIED 3RD MARCH 2016

3rd May 1925 - 3rd March 2016

or simply 1925 – 2016

Example:-

OF
JOHN FREDERICK
WILLIAMS
1925 - 2016

Examples of TEXTS (if desired)

At Rest
R.I.P.
Rest in peace
Beloved by all
Peace, Perfect Peace
So dearly loved, so greatly missed
Forever in our hearts
Unseen but ever near
God has you in His keeping;
we have you in our hearts

We trust this selection of memorials produced by our skilled craftsmen will assist you in choosing the most appropriate design.

We are available to provide individually designed memorials, together with the inscription carved and set out to complement the chosen shape of stone. A drawing can be supplied showing the overall effect before the work is commenced.

Inscriptions can be carved in a variety of styles and finishes depending upon the material selected for the memorial. We are able to assist in the choice of verse or quotation. A list is available on request.

Every possible assistance will be given in the selection of the most suitable design and material for a particular burial ground as regulations do vary from place to place.

Presented by:-							

The colours in the photographs in this brochure will vary due to limitations of colour printing. Also the colour of the actual stone selected may differ from that shown in the brochure. We therefore recommend that a sample of the actual stone is viewed when placing an order.

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