



People's Memorial Association

Funeral Education & Advocacy since 1939

Cemetery Plot Donation Program

People's Memorial frequently receives phone calls from individuals who have cemetery lots that they will not be using and would like to sell. However since there is not a standard resale market for cemetery property, such plots may be difficult to sell.

At the same time, due to county budgetary shortfalls, funding for indigent cremation has all but been eliminated. People's Memorial implemented a program where people can donate unused burial plots located in Washington state to PMA. Proceeds from their sale are be used to help pay for cremation for those who have little or no money. The donor is usually able to deduct the *full current market value* but if the value is over \$5,000, the IRS will require written appraisal. People's Memorial cannot give an appraisal of the property's value.

Cemeteries charge a fee typically ranging from \$25 to \$400 to change the title on any cemetery property. Therefore, we ask that you make a cash donation to People's Memorial Association to cover the cost of transferring title. This cash donation is also tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Here is how the program works:

- ❖ Locate your copy of cemetery deed or title;
- ❖ Contact cemetery to determine the amount of title transfer fee and current market value of lot(s);
- ❖ Contact People's Memorial Association to advise them of your intent to donate plots;
- ❖ Complete "Donation of Cemetery Plots" Form;
- ❖ If cemetery property is not titled in your name, prepare accompanying paperwork such as power of attorney, copy of deceased owners' will or community property agreement with a copy of the death certificate showing that you have legal rights as an heir or agent on their behalf to transfer title;
- ❖ Submit donation form, payment for transfer fee, and original cemetery deed or title to People's Memorial Association.
- ❖ The cemetery requires a notarized title transfer form that can be completed at the cemetery, in our offices, or by post.
- ❖ The cemetery will prepare a new title in the name of People's Memorial, and the Association will furnish you with an acknowledgement for your donation(s).

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Donation of Cemetery Plots

My Information

Legal Name: _____
First Middle Last

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Membership Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Phone Number: _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

Cemetery Plot Information

Cemetery Name: _____

Cemetery Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Cemetery Phone Number: _____

Burial Plot Urn Plot Urn Niche Mausoleum space Number of Spaces _____

Description of Plot/Niche location: _____

Estimated Value: _____ Source of Valuation: _____

Title transfer fee: _____

Payment

Title Transfer Fee Payment Checks payable to PEOPLE'S MEMORIAL Association. Amount: _____

Check Payment Type: Visa MasterCard Discover Check

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp Date: _____ 3 digit #: _____

Name on Card: _____ Billing Address: _____

Authorization

I hereby gift the above mentioned cemetery property to PEOPLE'S MEMORIAL™ Association to use or resell for the benefit of individuals who cannot afford the cost of basic cremation or who for religious or cultural reasons only believe in burial, but do not have sufficient financial resources to pay for cemetery burial. I hereby relinquish all rights to this property and give the staff or board of PEOPLE'S MEMORIAL™ the authority to administer such benefits to indigent individuals as they see fit.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Office Use Only

Process: Authorization Transfer of Title Form Posted on website Sold or gifted Transferred w/ cemetery

List at \$ _____ Sold at \$ _____

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