It is always hard to deal with the loss of loved ones and Council aims to support family and friends with a respectful environment.

Frequently Asked Questions

Can I reserve a plot in advance?
Yes, subject to the full purchase price being paid within an agreed timeframe.

Can I pay off a plot?By special arrangement only.

Can ashes be interred in an existing grave?

Yes. However an Interment Warrant is still required.

How much is it going to cost?

This varies. Please contact council or visit our website.

Can I erect my own headstone?

Yes, please contact council prior to purchasing a headstone to ensure it meets our requirments.

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E: info@anderson-memorials.co.nz www.anderson-memorials.co.nz

Bennetts Funeral Services

PH: 06 388 0452 E: benfurn@xtra.co.nz 24 Kuku Street, Taihape 4720

Cleveland Funeral Home

PH: 06 345 5522
E: info@clevelandfunerals.co.nz
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Dempsey & Forrest Funeral Services

PH: 06 349 0202 E: info@dempseyandforrest.co.nz hwww.dempseyandforrest.co.nz

Taumarunui Funeral Services

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Helpful information for

RUAPEHU DISTRICT CEMETERIES



Purchaser's Rights and Obligations

You are entitled to erect, and are obliged thereafter, to maintain memorials/ headstones.

Plinths (concrete base of memorials/headstones) are not to be any higher than 150mm, with clearances on all sides of 150mm. Plinths are to be no wider than 1m on a single plot or 2m on a double plot.

Memorials/headstone heights are not to exceed 0.84m above the berm or slab and are to be constructed only in granite or similar material approved by Council.

A permit to install a headstone or plaque must be obtained from Council prior to its erection.

Ashes plots vary in shape and width and memorials/ headstones can be erected within the available space, provided there are side clearances on all sides of 150mm.

Shrubs, trees, flower plants, cobblestones and adornments are not permitted to be planted upon any plots. The practice makes it difficult and expensive for Council to maintain the plots.

Adornments of any type are not permitted upon any plots, with the exception of vase or plant containers housed in insets within the plinth.

Note: With the exception of Taumarunui and Manunui Cemeteries, Council does not provide beams, site matting and lowering devices required for the interment. Those items may be obtained from local funeral directors if you require them.

A copy of Council's Bylaw NZS9201: Chapter 14:1972, in which Council and Purchase rights and obligations are included, can be obtained on request.

Council's Obligations

- Council will dig and reinstate the grave.
- Some cemetery sections have concrete berms on which all plot memorials/ headstones shall be constructed.
- In cemeteries or sections of cemeteries where there are no concrete berms, memorials can be erected at the head of the grave. Full concrete slab covers are permitted.
- Council will maintain the Cemetery in a tidy state.

Scan the QR codes for links to cemetery page on www.ruapehudc.govt.nz/our-services/cemeteries

Location of Cemeteries

Scan this QR code for all of our Cemeteries Locations. All cemeteries are open 24/7 to enable families and friends to visit at any time.



Erecting a Headstone or Plaque

Scan this QR code for all the information you need to about erecting a Headstone or Plaque, as well and information about adornments.



Forms, Fees and Charges

Scan this QR code for all cemetery related forms. As well as the cemetery fees and charges.



Online Cemetery Search

Scan this QR code to use the online cemetery database. This provides information regarding burial locations across all Council cemeteries.

