



James Long Memorials



James Long (Masons) Ltd is a firm of monumental masons based in Trowbridge which has been in existence for over 220 years. We pride ourselves on being the oldest established producers of both traditional and modern memorials in the West of England.

It is and has always been a family run business. Leonard White purchased the business from James Long in 1936 and ran it with his son Peter until Leonard's passing in 1952. Peter then continued until his retirement in 2000. On his retirement, Peter entrusted the business to Jason Willcox, a long standing employee who joined in 1986 as a junior apprentice who went on to gain experience as Yard manager, general manager and company director. Jason has now owned the business for twelve years and along with his wife Deborah strives to continue with the strong values on which the company has been built upon. The next generation is currently being trained. Their son Joseph is the new junior apprentice.



“MODERN ENOUGH TO SURVIVE THE TIMES, OLD FASHIONED ENOUGH TO LAST FOREVER”

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We have 'moved with the times' as far as methods of production are concerned. We now use modern machinery to carry out many of the time consuming operations, which means that we manufacture memorials in stone, marble and granite at realistic prices. Hand carving, hand lettering and traditional craftsmanship are still an extensive part of our work. We extend a warm welcome to anyone who wishes to visit our works to see 'how things are done'.

Each memorial, from a simple tablet to the most elaborate headstone and kerb enclosure receives individual and caring attention. Every memorial is special, and should be treated as such.

As members of the National Association of Master Masons we are required to satisfy certain standards of craftsmanship, and all our work is guaranteed.

We hope that our brochure will be of assistance in helping you to choose an appropriate tribute in memory of your loved ones.



WHAT MAKES A MEMORIAL?

A memorial is the traditional way of paying tribute to a relative or friend who has died. It is a permanent symbol of remembrance, so it is important that its design should be carefully chosen. Memorials may take many forms and those erected in cemeteries or churchyards need to withstand all kinds of weather for many years, be of strong and durable material, take a permanent carved inscription (and possibly additional ones in later years). It should harmonise with the environment of the cemetery or churchyard. Granite is the most durable of materials from which a memorial can be made because of its ageless qualities. It can be highly polished, smooth or of tooled finish. White marble does weather after many years but can easily be cleaned. Natural stone is the more porous of these materials and therefore weathers in a lesser period of time and also discolours more quickly. That is why memorials are supplied by stone masons because we specialise in this type of craft work.

REGULATIONS

Cemetery and churchyard authorities nearly always have guidelines for the types of memorials they will permit. Certain varieties of stone are more appropriate in some places than others, not only for their appearance but because of the effects of weather or local conditions. There are also limits to the designs of memorials that are acceptable. We can advise you about local attitudes and rulings. This brochure can only show you a small selection of memorials we can offer. If you have a preference for a design not illustrated let us know and we will be pleased to discuss your requirements, either at your home by appointment or at our premises.

PLACING THE ORDER

When you place the order, you will be asked to pay a deposit, with the balance of the agreed price payable on completion. The availability of materials, the complexity of design and the condition of the ground will affect the time it will take to complete. Our representative will advise you of this and, if required, he will help you with the inscription. Make sure the order shows the agreed wording correctly as you want it to appear on the memorial. Confirm any alterations or additions immediately and in writing. Our reputable firm (established for over 220 years) will endeavour to give you every assistance and guidance in this most important choice.

INSURANCE

Insurance against accidental damage, theft and vandalism for the memorial is strongly advised. We will be pleased to provide full details of the available schemes.

TRADITIONAL MEMORIALS

Traditional headstone and kerb enclosures can be supplied.
Customised carvings may be added to create a personalised
and individual touch.

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JL 4



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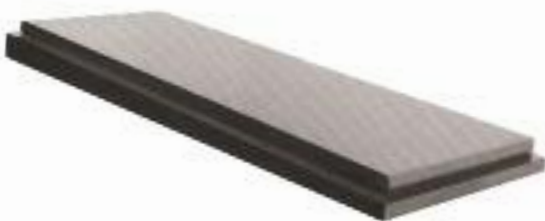
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MARBLE LAWN MEMORIALS

God found the path was growing rough, and the hill too steep to climb, so he gently closed his eyes, and whispered 'peace be thine'.

JL 10



JL 11



JL 12



JL 13



JL 14



GRANITE MEMORIALS FOR CEMETERY LAWN

These are only a selection of the many memorials available.
Please contact us for details of other designs.

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GRANITE, STONE OR MARBLE

A classic collection of simple and elegant Memorials,
which can be made in Granite, Stone or Marble.

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JL 29



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JL 31



JL 32



JL 33



JL 34



JL 35



JL 36



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MONOLITH MEMORIALS

These traditional memorials are embedded beneath the ground, often to meet specific churchyard or cemetery regulations. Available in a selection of materials, decorative carvings and vases can also be added to create that personal touch.



HEART SHAPED MEMORIALS

To live in the hearts of those we love is not to die.

JL 42



JL 43



JL 44



These memorial designs are permitted in the vast majority of cemeteries and are available in a selection of materials and finishes.

Carvings and hand paintings can be added to give that unique personal touch. Smaller versions can also be supplied for cremations.

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JL 47



BOOK DESIGNS FOR CEMETERY LAWN

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JL 49



JL 50



JL 51



JL 52



JL 53



JL 54



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CHURCHYARD MEMORIALS

Churchyard memorials are available in a wide range of designs, but styles are limited to natural finishes to comply with the specific regulations of any given location. Carvings can be added to create a bespoke and unique memorial.

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JL 57



JL 58



JL 59



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JL 61



JL 62



JL 63



JL 64



BRISTOL CEMETERY

These memorials are specifically designed to comply with strict cemetery regulations in the Bristol area. Styles are limited to the designs illustrated on this page, but are available in a full range of granite, marble and stone. Carvings can be added to create a unique memorial.

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CHILDREN'S MEMORIALS

This is a selection of the memorials we can do for children.
Please contact us for more details of other designs.

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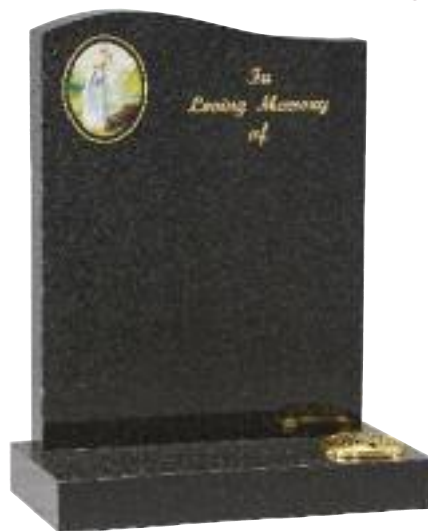
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CREMATION TABLETS AND MEMORIALS

Our selection of cremation stones and vases are available in a wide variety of designs and materials. Carvings and hand paintings can also be included in this range to create a unique and lasting memorial.

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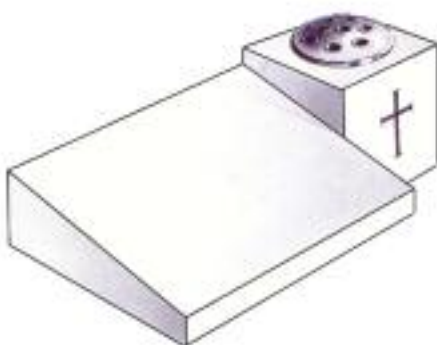
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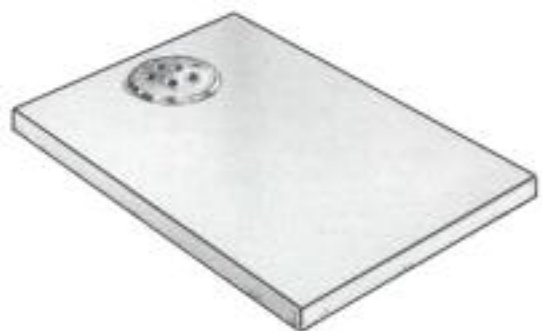
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MEMORIAL VASES

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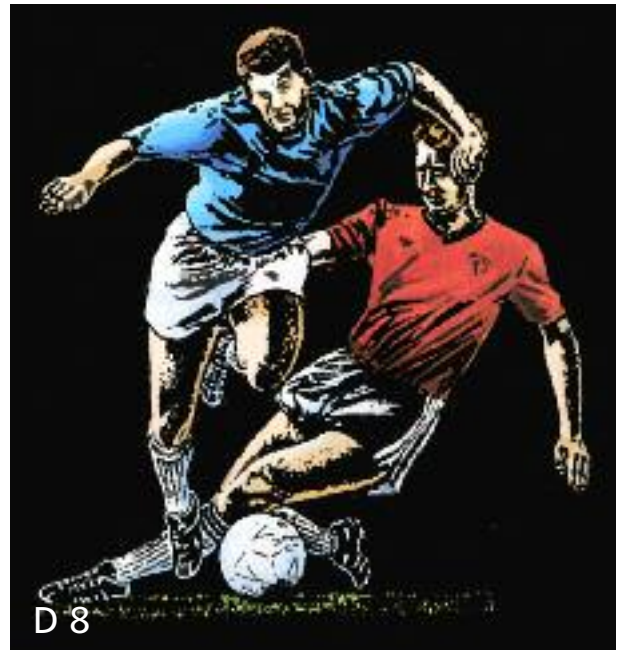


MEMORIAL DESIGNS





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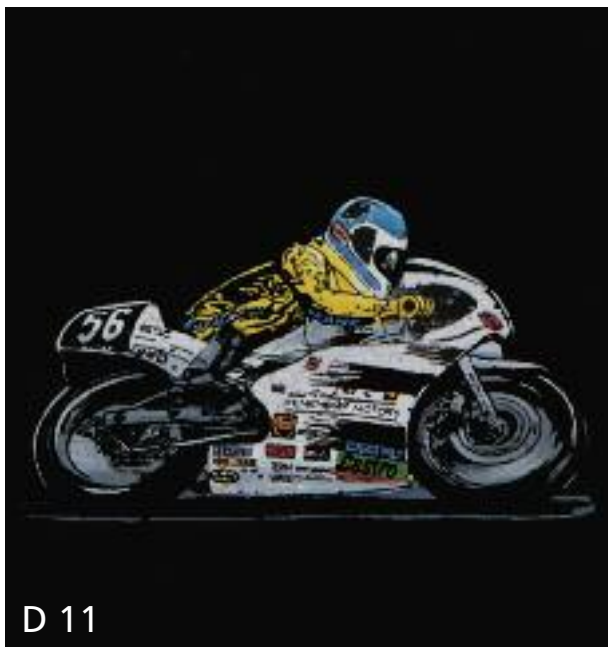
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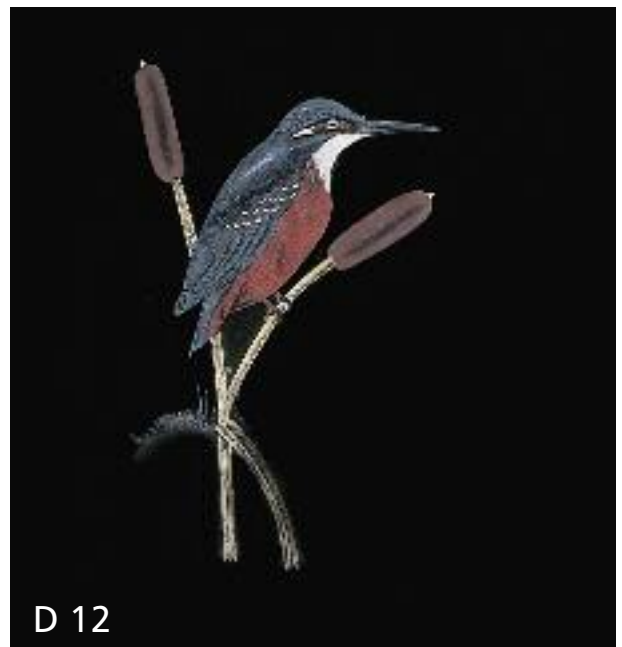
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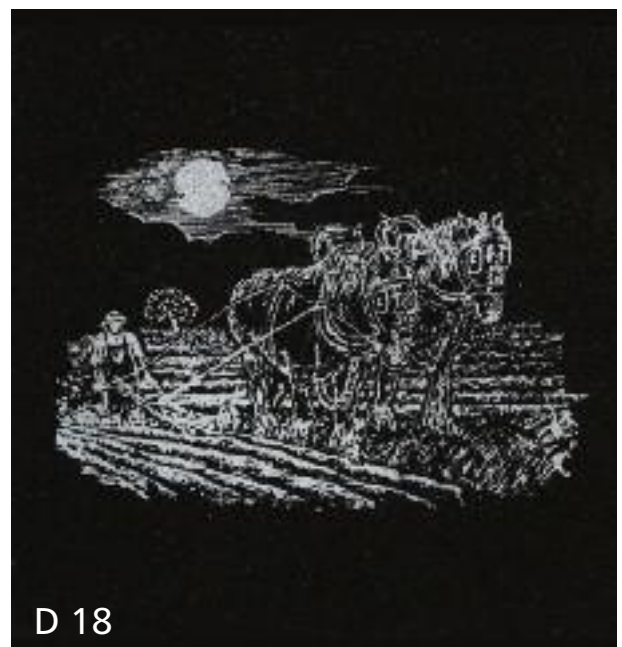
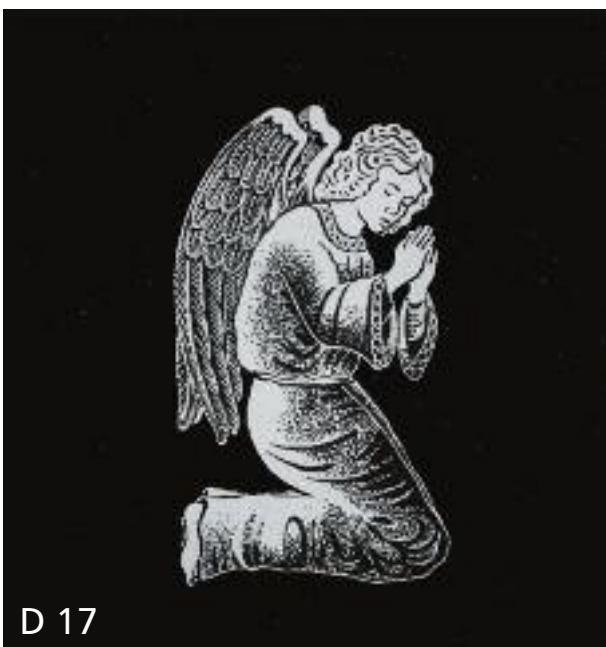
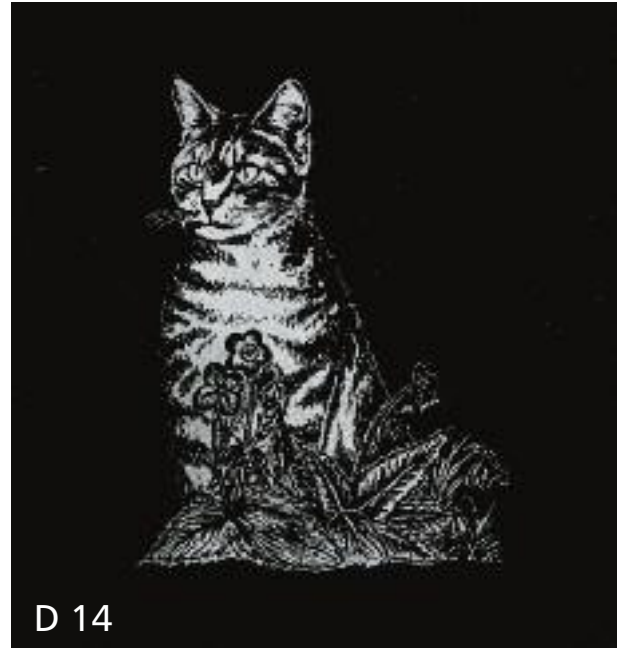
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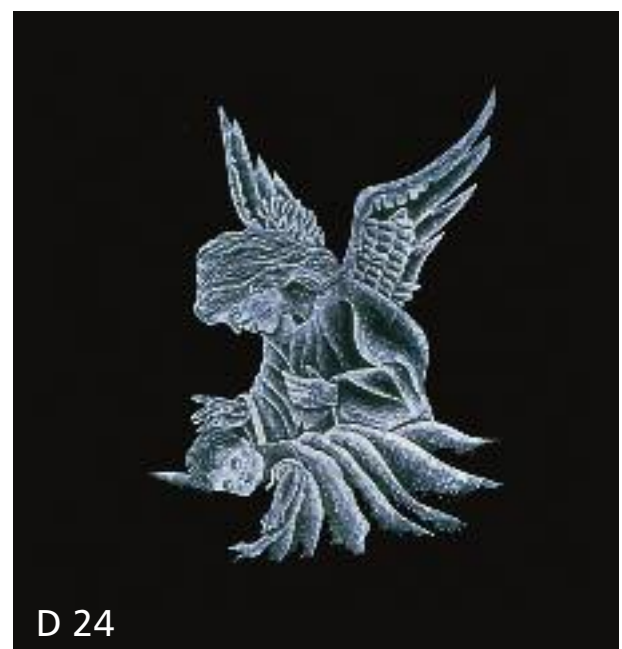
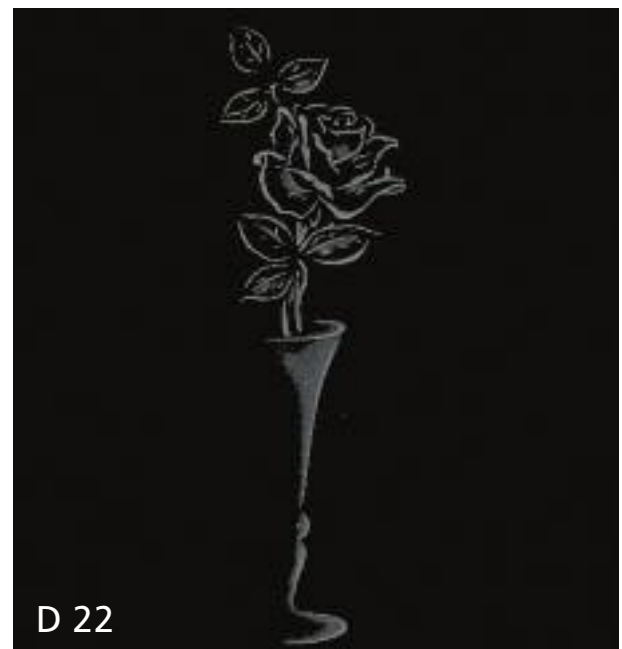
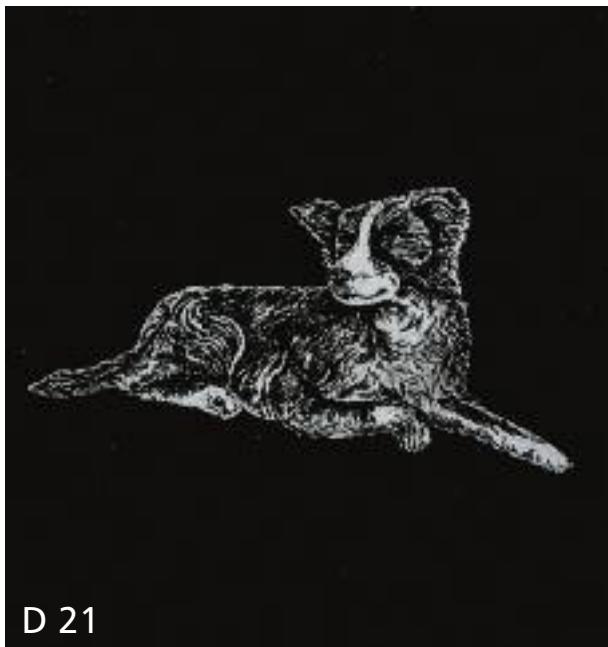
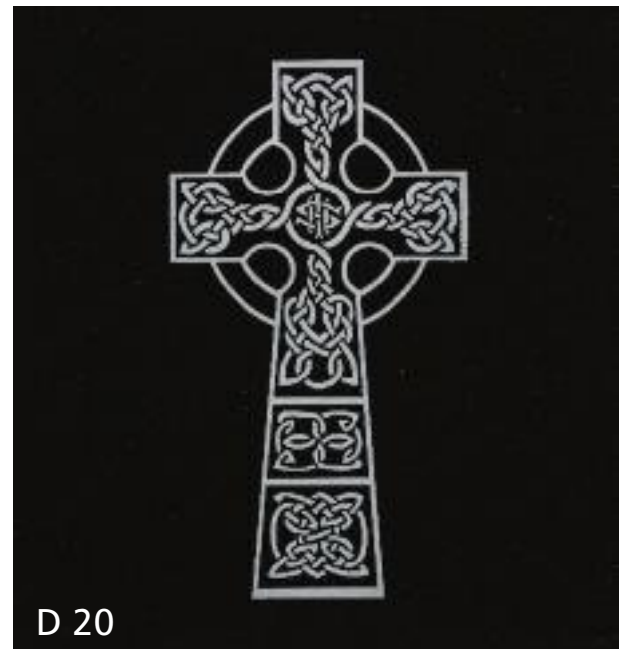


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EXAMPLES OF TEXT ON DIFFERENT STONE

ENGRAVED FRITZ

ENGRAVED ROMAN

Engraved Caxton

Engraved Zaph

Engraved Fritz

Engraved Roman

Engraved Caxton

Engraved Block

These are only a selection of the texts and stones that we are able to put together, if you want something that you have not seen please speak to your sales advisor who will be more than happy to help.



GRANITE AND STONE SAMPLES



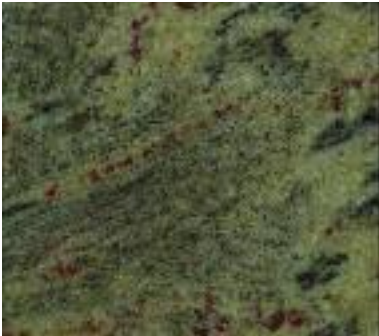
Black Polished
Granite



Blue Pearl
Polished Granite



Dark Grey
Polished Granite



Tropical Green
Polished Granite



Glenaby Honed
Granite



Karin Polished
Granite



Balmoral Polished
Granite



Cornish Polished
Granite



Star Galaxy
Polished Granite



Portland Stone



White Marble



Nabresina Stone

CHOOSING A MEMORIAL

CHURCHYARD AND CEMETERY REGULATIONS

Although Churchyard and Cemetery regulations do vary from place to place, cemeteries do not restrict the colour of material or its finish and the full range of materials featured in this brochure will be acceptable. Portland, York, Purbeck, Slate and the lighter Grey Granites are all of durable quality and widely used by church authorities everywhere. It is important that the memorials erected should harmonise with their surroundings.

LETTERING STYLES AND FINISHES

Specific letter finishes can be applied to certain materials but not to others. The list below is to assist you in choosing your lettering finish. On granite you can also specify imperishable raised letters in enamel or gilded finish.

	Incised only	Incised & Enamel	Incised & Gilded	Cut & Lead Fill
Portland Stone	✓	✓	X	X
York Stone	✓	✓	X	X
Purbeck	✓	✓	X	X
Slate	✓	✓	✓	X
Marble	Not Advisable	✓	✓	✓
Nabresina	✓	✓	✓	✓
Granite	Not Advisable	✓	✓	X

SOME LETTERING FONT STYLES

Old English

BLOCK LETTERING

Block Upper & Lower Case

Roman Lettering

Roman Italics

Roman Upper & Lower Case

Commercial Script

Fritz Quadrata

ALTERNATIVE INTRODUCTIONS

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

SACRED TO THE MEMORY OF

IN REMEMBRANCE OF

IN AFFECTIONATE MEMORY OF

CHERISHED MEMORIES OF

A SELECTION OF TEXTS

at rest • resting • sleeping • abide with me • rest in peace • simply the best
 in god's keeping • thy will be done • peace perfect peace • forever in our thoughts
 not lost, but gone before • loves last gift remembrance
 he/she lives forever in our hearts
 gone from us but not forgotten

TEXT & VERSES

TREASURED MEMORIES OF
A LOVING WIFE,
MUM AND NAN
ANNIE JONES
WHO PASSED AWAY
20TH SEPTEMBER 2001
GONE ARE THE DAYS WE USED
TO SHARE
BUT IN OUR HEARTS YOU'RE
ALWAYS THERE



CHERISHED MEMORIES
OF A MUCH LOVED SON
AND BROTHER
RICHARD WHITE
'SNOWY'
1951-1994
IT BROKE OUR HEARTS TO LOSE YOU
BUT YOU DID NOT GO ALONE
FOR PART OF US WENT WITH YOU
THE DAY GOD CALLED YOU HOME



IN MEMORY OF
OUR DEAR PARENTS
JACK EVANS
DIED 23RD SEPTEMBER 1963
ALICE EVANS
DIED 10TH MAY 2002
NOT JUST TODAY BUT EVERY DAY
WE WILL REMEMBER

ALWAYS REMEMBERED
OUR DEAR MUM
MARGARET JONES
NEE DOYLE
30.11.1896 - 16.10.2000
GONE IS THE FACE
WE LOVED SO DEAR
SILENT THE VOICE
WE LOVED TO HEAR



FOREVER IN OUR THOUGHTS
'PADDY'
PATRICK O'ROUKE
BORN 6TH MARCH 1915
DIED 15TH JUNE 1998
*A DAD TO US, A FRIEND TO ALL
HIS SMILING FACE WE WILL RECALL*



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
A DEAR HUSBAND
AND FATHER
JOHN BARNES
WHO DIED 7TH MARCH 2003
AGED 86 YEARS
*ALWAYS IN OUR THOUGHTS
FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS*

A SELECTION OF TEXT

SO DEARLY LOVED, SO SADLY MISSED
TOO DEARLY LOVED TO BE FORGOTTEN
RESTING WHERE NO SHADOWS FALL
THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD I SHALL NOT WANT
REST AFTER WEARINESS, PEACE AFTER PAIN
ONLY GOODNIGHT BELOVED NOT FAREWELL

UNTIL THE DAY BREAK AND THE
SHADOWS FLEE AWAY
TO LIVE IN THE HEARTS OF THOSE
WE LOVE IS NOT TO DIE
GOD HAS YOU IN HIS KEEPING,
WE HAVE YOU IN OUR HEARTS
HIS/HER LIFE A BEAUTIFUL MEMORY,
HIS/HER ABSENCE A SILENT GRIEF
HIS/HER LIFE A PRECIOUS MEMORY,
HIS/HER DEATH A SILENT GRIEF
THAT WHICH IS LOVELY NEVER DIES BUT TURNS
INTO ANOTHER LOVELINESS

SUNSHINE PASSES, SHADOWS FALL,
LOVE AND MEMORY OUTLAST THEM ALL
A VOICE FROM OUR HOUSEHOLD GONE
GOD FOUND THE PATH WAS GROWING ROUGH
AND THE HILL TOO STEEP TO CLIMB
SO HE GENTLY CLOSED HIS EYES AND
WHISPERED 'PEACE BE THINE'
LOVED ONE, THOU ART NE'ER FORGOTTEN,
TIS SWEET TO BREATHE THY NAME.
IN LIFE I LOVED YOU DEARLY,
IN DEATH I DO THE SAME.

FOREVER WITH THE LORD
PEACE, PERFECT PEACE.
HIS/HER SUN SET WHILE IT WAS YET DAY
LIFE'S RACE WELL RUN,
LIFE'S WORK WELL DONE
WITH GOD WHICH IS FAR BETTER
IN THE GARDEN OF MEMORIES WE
MEET EVERY DAY
TIME TAKES AWAY THE EDGE OF GRIEF,
BUT MEMORY TURNS BACK EVERY LEAF
THE DAY THOU GAVEST LORD IS ENDED
SINCERE AND TRUE IN HEART AND MIND
A BEAUTIFUL MEMORY LEFT BEHIND,
HE/SHE DIED AS HE/SHE LIVED,
EVERYONE'S FRIEND
STILL LOVING. STILL LIVING. STILL OURS
GOD'S GREATEST GIFT. REMEMBRANCE
WALKING WITH GOD IN HIS
GARDEN OF REST
THOUGH HER SMILE HAS GONE
FOREVER AND HER HAND WE
CANNOT TOUCH, WE SHALL NEVER LOSE
THE MEMORIES, OF THE ONE WE LOVED
SO MUCH.
LOVING AND KIND IN ALL HIS/HER
WAYS, UPRIGHT AND JUST TO THE END
OF HIS/HER DAYS, SINCERE AND TRUE
IN HEART AND MIND, A BEAUTIFUL
MEMORY LEFT BEHIND.

GOD GAVE A TREASURE FOR A WHILE,
TO FILL US WITH HIS LOVE,
AND THEN HE TOOK OUR DARLING CHILD
TO DWELL WITH HIM ABOVE.

VERSES

JLV1

Memories of you are ours to treasure,
And you will live in our hearts forever,
In Heaven you rest, no worry, no pain,
God bless you till we meet again.

JLV2

Silent thoughts of times together,
Hold memories which will last forever.

JLV3

Words are few, feelings deep,
Memories of you are ours to keep.

JLV4

As time goes by without you,
And months turn into years,
They hold a million memories,
And countless unseen tears.

JLV5

We often sit and think of you,
And forever speak your name,
But all we have are memories,
And your photo in a frame.

JLV6

Time cannot heal the heartache,
Or stop the falling tears,
Or take away the memories,
Of the one we loved so dear.

JLV7

I am the Sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle Autumnal rain,
When you waken in the morning hush,
I am the soft up lifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine and cry,
I am the not here, I did not die.

JLV8

God takes our loved ones from our homes,
But never from our hearts.

JLV9

Gone from our sight, but never our memories,
Gone from our touch, but never our hearts.

JLV10

To the world you were but one,
To us you were all the world.

JLV11

Goodnight, God bless.

JLV12

God called your name so softly,
That only you could hear,
And no one heard the footsteps,
Of angels drawing near.

JLV13

Yesterday I loved you,
Today I love you more,
Tomorrow I will love you more,
Still more dearly than before.

JLV14

For us life was a melody,
A long and lovely song,
For us the song has ended,
But the memory lingers on.

JLV15

The years we spent together,
The happy days we knew,
Are lived again so often,
With memories of you.

JLV16

There is a link death cannot sever,
Love and remembrance live forever.

JLV17

She was a wonderful mother,
She played life's battle fair,
No matter when we needed her,
We always found her there.



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