New Mausoleum and Columbarium Plaza Completed at Garden of Remembrance



The mausoleum and columbarium plaza at the Garden of Remembrance were completed earlier this year.

The stones have been laid and the landscaping finished to complete the development of the mausoleum and columbarium plaza at the Garden of Remembrance.

At the western end of the memorial park's main boulevard, this plaza anchors the line of crepe myrtles and other plantings that define the highest point of the cemetery grounds.

In the Orthodox and Conservative movements, burials tend to be in-ground, while in Reform, burial in a mausoleum or columbarium is an accepted alternative. As a community cemetery that meets the needs of a wide range of Jewish practices, Gan Zikaron has designated the plaza area for above-ground burials.

The mausoleum is designed to contain caskets in single chambers or crypts built into the granite wall. Similarly, the columbarium is comprised of chambers or niches that hold cremains. The front panel of each niche or crypt will be engraved with the name(s) of the individual(s) entombed in the chamber.

If you have questions about mausoleums or columbariums and Jewish practice related to burials at the Garden of Remembrance, contact Sheldon Grosberg at 301-428-3000, or visit www.gardenofremembrance.org.