



 **MearsFamilyFunerals**
Independent Funeral Directors

Welcome

We are proud to present you with our comprehensive memorial brochure.

Our responsibility is to help guide you through the process of choosing a fitting monument for your loved one, the selection of which is very personal.

We fully understand you may feel unsure of where to begin so we have broken the brochure down into specific areas and have included as much information as we can. That being said we are always at the end of the phone or an email if you need any help or have any questions at all.

A background image of a lush green meadow with tall grass and scattered wildflowers, framed by the soft, out-of-focus branches and leaves of trees in the background. The lighting is bright and natural, suggesting a sunny day.**MearsFamilyFunerals**
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Materials & Designs

Granite - for everlasting memorials

Granite is the hardest material we offer and is extremely durable. It is available in a range of colours. Polishing granite brings out the true natural beauty of this material. A range of finishes can be seen throughout this brochure including polished, honed and rustic effects. Ornamentation is achieved by carving, etching or sandblasting.

Italian White Marble - the traditional memorial material

Sourced from Italy. Marble was once a very popular material and is known for its ease of carving. The appearance of this material has been synonymous with the splendour of memorial carvings for centuries. Ideally, marble should not be used near trees or in damp areas due to its porous nature which can cause it to attract mould or algae.

Stone

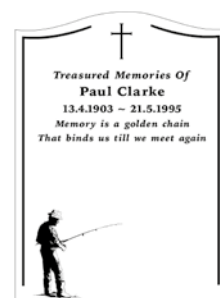
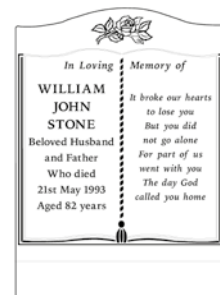
Materials such as nabresina, Portland stone and sandstone (see pages 34-35) are mainly used in churchyards where their neutral tones are widely accepted.

The Memorial

Looking through this brochure you will find a large choice of memorials in various styles and colours. Granite memorials can be chosen in any colour (see pages 34-35) and many elements are interchangeable so you can create the design that best suits your requirements.

The Inscription

Once you have selected the memorial the next step is to choose the wording for the inscription. A selection of popular inscriptions and verses are shown below but a more comprehensive list is available on request. You also have the freedom to compose a message that expresses your own sentiments. Be sure to discuss the inscription with relatives and close friends, and feel free to contact us if you require any guidance. Once you have decided on the inscription we will send you a proof layout. You can then make any changes if needed before our masons begin their work.



Inscriptions, Quotations & Epitaphs

Headings for Inscriptions

Numbers in brackets indicate character count

- *In Loving Memory of* (16)
- *In Ever Loving Memory of* (20)
- *Sacred to the Memory of* (19)
- *In Ever Affectionate Remembrance of* (31)
- *Treasured Affectionate Remembrance of* (34)

Quotations and Epitaphs

- *Gone but not forgotten* (19)
- *Rest in peace* (11)
- *Forever in our thoughts* (19)
- *I heard the voice of Jesus say 'come unto me and rest'* (43)
- *Not gone from memory, nor from love* (29)
- *Peace, perfect peace* (17)
- *Gone is the face I loved so dear
Silent the voice I loved to hear
Tis sad but true, I wonder why
The best are always the first to die* (102)
- *We had no chance to say goodbye
But for you dear, we will not cry
But in our hearts we'll hide our pain
Until some day we'll meet again* (104)
- *We cannot bring the old days back
Her/His hand we cannot touch
But we have such lovely memories
Of the one we loved so much* (94)





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Granite Lawn Memorials

Granite lawn memorials are suitable for use in the lawned sections within a cemetery where only a headstone and base are permitted.



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MB-104



MB-105



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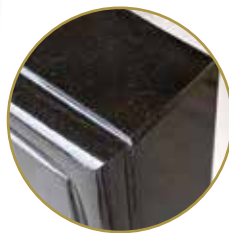
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Edge detail



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Prestige Granite Lawn Memorials

A range of granite memorials that feature different shaped headstones and incorporate exquisite carving and figures.



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MB-II7



MB-II8



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MB-121



MB-I22



MB-I23



MB-I24



MB-I25



MB-I28



MB-I29

Marble Memorials

Marble has long been used to create memorials to the notable people in history. But it's ability to enable elaborate or subtle carving also makes it an ideal material to create a beautiful headstone for your loved one.



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MB-I33

Granite Full Kerb Memorials

Consisting of a headstone and kerbed set, these memorials are only permitted in specific areas of the cemetery.

Kerb edgings are available in a range of granite colours







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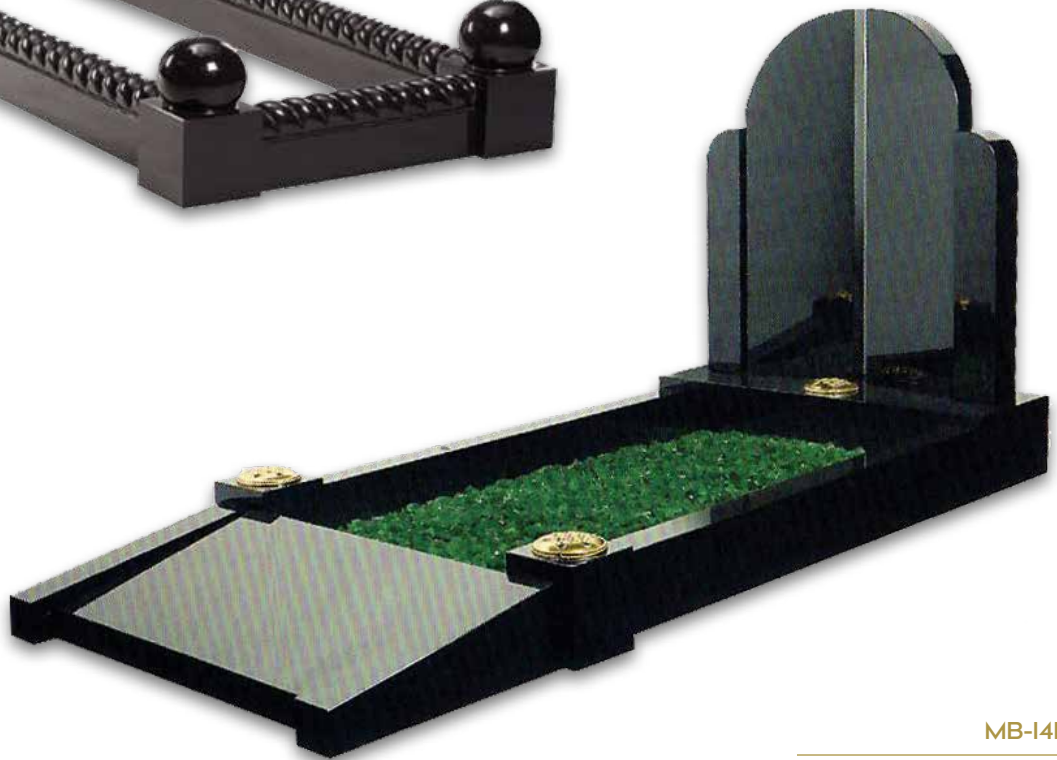
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MB-I40



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Open-book Memorials

Open-book memorials feature a slightly raised or angled face on which the inscription is carved or etched. These beautiful memorials often have classic styling and details, but easily lend themselves to contemporary and creative treatments.



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MB-I46



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Cremation Memorials

Our range of memorials for use in the ashes plots within a cemetery are discretely styled but offer the same opportunities for applying your own personalised inscription as a traditional lawn memorial. A wide selection of styles and materials are available, from the simple slabs shown on page 23 to more decorative examples.



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Children's Memorials

A range of memorials designed specifically to meet the cemetery authority's criteria for the children's section of a cemetery. In addition, we offer a selection of specially created designs for sandblasting or etching (see page 33) to enable you to create a completely unique memorial to your child.



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Vases

Granite or marble flower vases can be added to any of the memorials shown in this brochure. They are generally crafted from the same materials as the main memorial although contrasting colours or materials can be selected, if desired.



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 MB-I63


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Churchyard & Rustic Carved Memorials

We offer a collection of attractively carved memorials that are designed to suit the setting of the traditional churchyard. The natural beauty of the materials used is emphasised by the expert carving of our master stonemasons.



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MB-I85



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Etched & Sandblasted Designs

These pages show a small sample of the designs that can be applied to your memorial, either by etching or sandblasting. However, other images such as military crests, sporting emblems or personalised illustrations are achievable - please ask us for further details.

Traditional Sandblasted Designs



Celtic Cross
SB-01



Cross and Lily
SB-02



Flowers
SB-03



Rose
SB-04



Praying Hands
SB-05



Dove
SB-06



Dennis the Menace
SB-07

Contemporary Sandblasted Designs



Robin on Spade
SB-08



Daffodils
SB-09



Lilies
SB-10



Flower Fairy
SB-11



Butterfly
SB-12



Angel
SB-13



Batman Symbol
SB-15



Superhero Symbols
SB-15

Etched Designs



BAYS Crest
SB-16



Bagpiper
LE-1



Piglet
HE-1



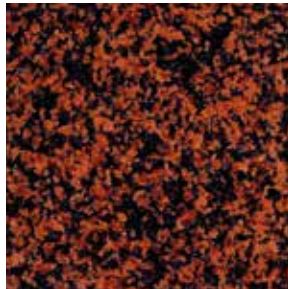
Peter Rabbit
HE-2

Colour Samples

All our memorials can be created from the materials shown below. As all materials used are natural they are subject to variation in colour, shade and patterning and so the photographs below should be treated as a guide only.



Bahama Blue



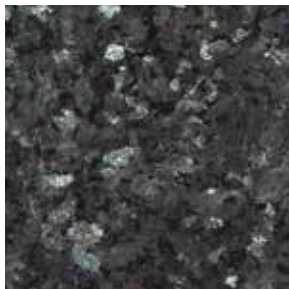
Balmoral Red



Black



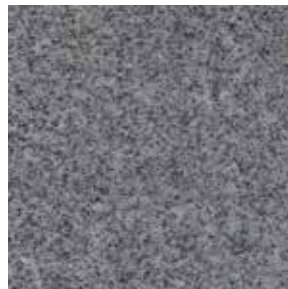
Black Galaxy



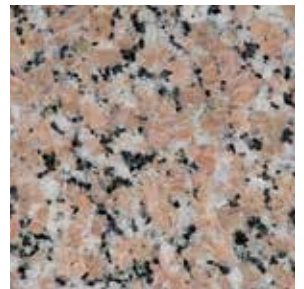
Blue Pearl



Cat's Eye Brown



Cera Grey



China Pink



Dusky Grey



Imperial Red



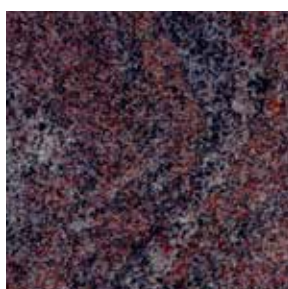
Indian Dark Grey



Karin Grey



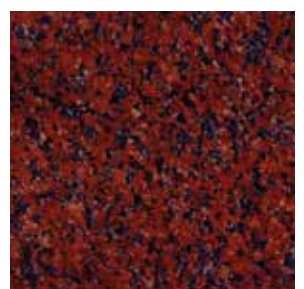
Nabresina



Paradiso



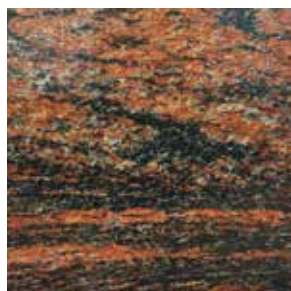
Portland Stone



Ruby Red



South African Dark Grey



Samoka



Sandstone



Silver Grey



Tropical Green



White Marble



Statuettes, Ornaments & Accessories

A variety of religious/traditional ornaments and accessories are available with which to complete your memorial.

Oramental Statuettes



Dove **MB-I94**



Madonna **MB-I96**



Sacred Heart **MB-I95**



Angel **MB-I97**



Cherub **MB-I98**



Sacred Heart **MB-I99**



Cherub **MB-200**

Ornaments



Plain Crucifix
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Floral Crucifix
MB-203



Enclosed
Candle Holder
MB-202



Bronze-framed
Photograph Plaque
MB-204



Etched Portrait
Photograph
MB-205

Chipping Infiills



Cobalt MB-206



Green MB-207



Turquoise MB-208



Grey Granite MB-209



White Marble MB-210



Black MB-211

Flower Containers



Small Flower Container
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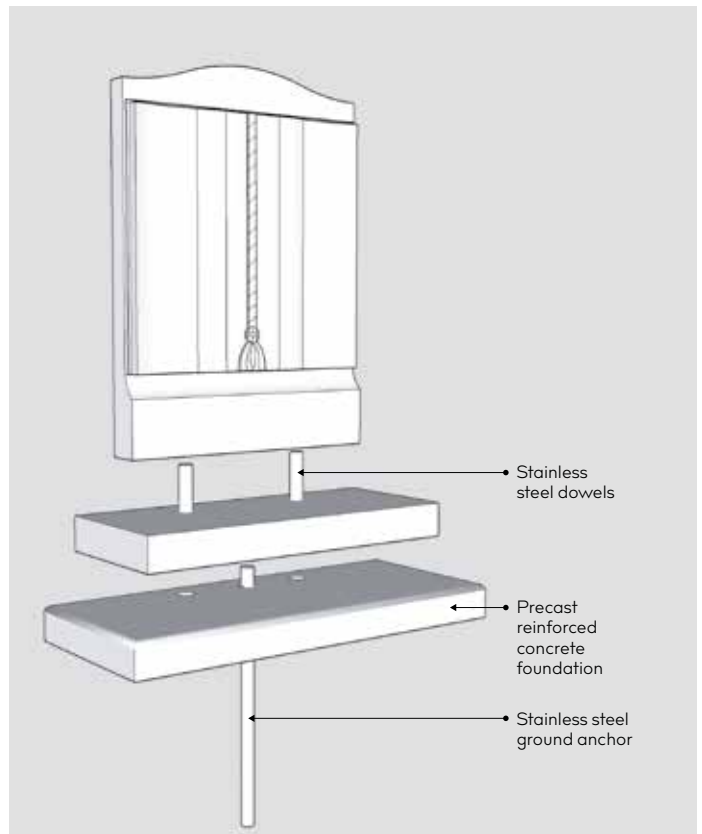
Medium Flower Container
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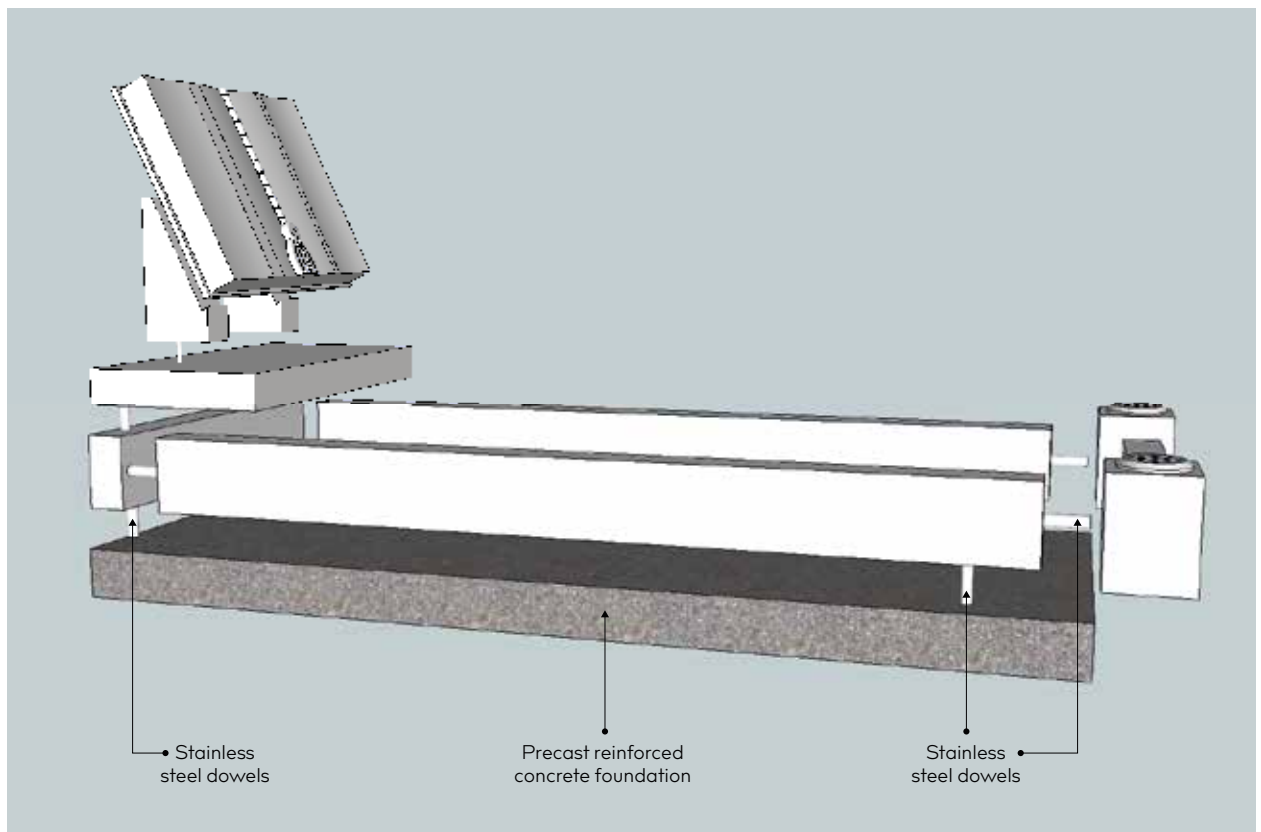
Tall Flower Container
MB-212

Fixing Methods

We ensure all our memorials are constructed and installed to British Standards BS 8415 and comply with The National Association of Memorial Masons & British Register Accredited Memorial Masons regulations.



Ground Anchor Fixing Method



Kerb Fixing Method All sections of the memorial are securely dowelled

Renovations & Additions

If you already have a memorial on site we are able to carry out a free inspection report and advise you of the costs involved in the renovation of your existing memorial or adding a new inscription to best match the existing. Please contact us to arrange an inspection.



Memorial before restoration.



Memorial after restoration.





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