

Pre-Planning Services

A Legend in our Community – A Long Tradition of Caring

South-View Cemetery was started in 1886 as a shareholder corporation and is still managed as a shareholder corporation today. The employees are a reflection of many years of knowledgeable and caring service. South-View offers a variety of services that are available when Pre-Planning as well as making burial arrangement plans.

Benefits of Planning Ahead

Planning ahead allows you to consider a variety of selections and price options. You will have the opportunity to make an informed decision about your funeral and cemetery arrangements. You will also be able to ***make choices that are meaningful to both you and your family***, and you will gain ***peace of mind*** knowing your family and friends will be relieved of the emotional and financial burden often associated with making arrangements when a death occurs. By prearranging your cemetery services, you ***benefit by purchasing at today's prices, free from inflationary pressures*** in the future.



Ida Hawes Watts, (mother of Albert H. Watts, long time President of South-View Cemetery) with children, Lewis, Jane, Albert, and Charles Watts.

Well Maintained, Beautiful and Peaceful Grounds

The grounds at South-View span over 100 acres and offer a wide variety of options including affordable mausoleum burials. There are also new plantings as well as mature trees. Families may select in ground burials on a hilltop, or in a flat area, near a tree or in the sunshine. There are many gardens to choose from with price points that match your family's needs.

In addition to the beautiful, well maintained grounds that are available for Pre-Need as well as At-Need planning, there are many well known Atlantans that have been interred at South-View... The King Family, John Wesley Dobbs, Tuskegee Airmen-Walter Drake Westmoreland & Horrace Bohannon, Alonzo Herndon, and Jean Childs Young to name a few.

Variety of Interment Options

South-View offers traditional in-ground burial options as well as community mausoleum crypts, niches, and private estate selections. All burial spaces can be included in your pre-need planning arrangements including the lot, private estate, mausoleum, and niche. The grave fee, often called the opening and closing can also be included. Headstones which include a flat bronze or granite marker and monument may also be included in pre-planning arrangements.

Flexible Payment Options

South-View offers a variety of flexible payment options to ensure that your Pre-planning arrangements work well with your budgeting needs. The payment options are designed to meet the growing needs of the families and their loved ones. Payment includes cash or check, debit or credit, and payment over a period of time.



Perpetual Care Fund

When a lot is purchased for pre-planning a portion of the money is placed into an escrow account which is often referred to as a perpetual care fund. This means even if the business were to end, the money placed in the perpetual care fund would maintain the cemetery perpetually or forever along with the lot/grave that was purchased. A deed is also issued for all lots purchased in advance. When a service, such as the opening/closing is pre-paid, it is also placed in its entirety into a fund that is regulated by the state of Georgia until the lot is ready to be used.

The Memorial Guide

A FREE Memorial Guide is provided at the time a family purchases lots for pre-planning. The guide can be used to outline personal information that will be needed at the time of death. It will also provide a documented footprint of your wishes for your family to follow. Contact the South-View Family Service Planning Specialist to schedule a tour of the cemetery and to make a selection that meets the needs of your family's plans.

Credit Exchange Program

South-View Cemetery is a member of the International Cemetery, Cremation and Funeral Association, (ICCFA). The ICCFA has a credit exchange program that allows merchandise, (lots, crypts, or niches) to be transferred between participating cemeteries when moving out of the area. It is important to note that some of the benefits of purchasing in advance may be diminished in the exchange.