

Selecting a Headstone

1. CHOOSE A CEMETERY THAT WILL ALLOW YOU WHAT YOU WANT

Become familiar with any restrictions your cemetery may impose. Some cemeteries have very strict memorial requirements while others do not.

2. DO I NEED TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

No appointment in necessary. Evening appointments are available.

HOW MUCH DOES A HEADSTONE COST

Pricing of a memorial really breaks down into 3 influencing factors. These include: color, size and shape/finish.

- 1) Color- Your choice of granite color plays the biggest role in the final price of your granite memorial. We have many different colors to choose from but in the end the cost of that specific color will be based on where in the world it is quarried. Many colors are unique to different parts of the world. The more remote and distant your granite color is, the more it will cost to quarry and ship it.
- 2) Size- Although the size of your memorial will certainly influence the final price, most people would be surprised to realize that double the size doesn't necessarily mean double the cost. A more important issue with size is more often tied to the location where your moment will be installed. Cemeteries often have restrictions as to the size and shape of headstones, gravestones, and above ground monuments that are allowed.
- 3) Shape/Finish- The final cost involved with the creation of your memorial will be the amount of workmanship and carving that will be needed to shape and finish the monument. The more complex the shape is and the more polished the finish, the ore labor cost needed to complete your memorial design.

3. WHAT DO I NEED TO HAVE BEFORE COMING IN

Develop a basic idea of the design you would like to have on your loved one's memorial. You might consider walking through cemeteries to get a good idea of the monument shapes, sizes and designs that are available. Taking photos that you can show to a monument retailer is a great idea.

4. WILL I GET A DRAWING BEFORE YOU MAKE IT

Before any work will begin on your memorial, you will receive a drawn-to scale layout of the monument. Your complete approval and signed signature are required before any work will begin on ordering or carving your stone.

5. HOW LONG DOES IT TAKE

Once we have an approved layout, the next time concern rest in the type of the granite you have selected and whether it is available: in stock, domestically or over-seas. Based on granite availability, a finished monument can take as little as 3-4 weeks (lighting express service) and can take up to a year if you have chosen something that has to be imported from over-seas. If time is a major concern in your purchase, be sure to share this fact early in the design process so that our creative, manufacturing and installation team can plan ahead to meet your preferred timelines.

Please contact us with any questions you may have.

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