



Manning Great Lakes Memorial Gardens  
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## **Pet Interment Policy Statement**

### **1. Purpose**

Manning Great Lakes Memorial Gardens (MGLMG) recognises the profound and enduring bond between people and their pets. In response to evolving community expectations and recent amendments to the NSW Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2013 (as amended 2025), MGLMG is committed to providing a respectful, compliant, and compassionate option for the interment of pets alongside their owners.

This policy establishes the framework for pet interments within MGLMG.

### **2. Policy Position**

MGLMG offers the interment of cremated pet remains only as a service, arranged in conjunction with a human burial or an ash interment.

This service is designed to:

- Honour the lifelong connection between individuals and their pets
- Provide families with a unified place of remembrance
- Maintain the dignity, cultural sensitivity, and community expectations of the cemetery environment

### **3. Scope of Service**

#### **3.1 Eligibility**

Pet interment is permitted under the following conditions:

- Only cremated animal remains are accepted
- Pet remains must be interred alongside or combined with the remains of the owner
- Standalone pet interments are not permitted under any circumstances
- All interments must comply with applicable NSW legislation and MGLMG operational procedures

#### **3.2 Approved Locations**

All sites at MGLMG are available for combined interment, but individual pet sites are restricted to family plots.

- Feature Garden (combined interment and combined plaque only option)
- Rose Garden (combined interment and combined plaque only option)
- Individual Incline (combined interment and combined plaque only option)
- Rock Garden (combined or individual interment available)

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- Granite Garden (combined or individual internment available)
- Family Estate (combined or individual internment available)
- Lawn Cemetery Burial Sites (no separate plaques available for these types of internments)
- Monumental Lawn Burial Sites (no separate plaques available for these types of internments)

#### **4. Memorialisation Options**

Families may choose:

- Inclusion on existing human memorial plaques
- Dedicated pet memorial plaque in the ash garden (only available in Rock Garden, Granite Garden or Family Estate). *Not available on any Burial Plots*

All memorialisation must comply with MGLMG standards.

#### **5. Operational Requirements**

- Pet remains must be in a sealed container or combined into the sealed human container
- Placement undertaken by MGLMG staff only
- Records maintained in accordance with statutory requirements

#### **6. Cultural and Community Considerations**

MGLMG acknowledges diverse beliefs and aims to provide respectful, sensitive services while maintaining community expectations.

#### **7. Compliance**

This policy aligns with:

- NSW Cemeteries and Crematoria Act 2013 (as amended 2025)
- Applicable NSW regulatory guidance
- MGLMG operational standards

#### **8. Commitment Statement**

MGLMG is committed to providing meaningful memorial options that reflect the relationships and memories of those entrusted to our care.

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