## Resources for Alternative Burials

## LSU FACES

https://www.lsu.edu/faces/fterf/donation.php#:~:text=At%20the%20LSU%20FAC ES%20Laboratory%2C%20this%20can%20be%20coordinated%20by,a%20Death %20Certificate%20Information%20Worksheet.

## **LSU Medical School**

https://www.medschool.lsuhsc.edu/cell\_biology/anatomical\_services.aspx

## **Green Burials**

https://www.rose-neath.com/services/green-burial-service

https://funerals.org/get-help/green-options/

https://www.greenburialnaturally.org/blog/2017/3/21/memorialization

https://www.orderofthegooddeath.com/?s=green+burials

## **Tree Burials**

https://theamericanscholar.org/bring-out-your-dead-and-plant-a-tree/

# **Other Options**

https://www.betterplaceforests.com/blog/7-innovative-burial-alternatives/

https://lancasteronline.com/features/green-burials-there-are-a-number-of-environmentally-friendly-alternatives-video/article\_87a45f54-6840-11e9-a84f-8b6eac3f5513.html

# **Burial Records**

https://www.deathindexes.com/cemeteries.html

# Online Cemetery Records and Burial Indexes - USA

# from DeathIndexes.com

### **Online Cemetery Burial Records and Indexes**

#### **General Cemetery Records Listings**

- Find A Grave
  - Find A Grave Search at Ancestry (free to search)
- BillionGraves.com Index at FamilySearch
- Tombstone Transcription Project Nationwide volunteer project to record burials
- Gravestone Photo Project List of States for about 39 states; the Iowa and Arkansas projects each have over 1 million entries
- <u>Cemetery Information Management System (CIMS) Cemetery Maps</u> maps and burial searches for various cemeteries around the country
- <u>CemeteryFind Cemetery Burials</u> includes some cemeteries in Connecticut, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Montana and New Hampshire
- Windy Prairie Cemeteries has burial searches for some cemeteries in the Midwest. Most are in Kansas and Nebraska.
- Names in Stone Cemetery Maps and Records
- RecordAGrave Index at FamilySearch; a small collection of cemetery records, many in Florida; records are also included at FindAGrave (see above)
- <u>Grave Discover</u> a collection of mostly smaller cemeteries with burial indexes; some are outside of the U.S
- <u>Forgotten Ashes</u> database of unclaimed cremated remains for some funeral homes in Florida, Indiana, Michigan, New York, Oregon, Pennsylvania and Washington

#### **Military Cemeteries**

- <u>Veterans Affairs Burial Search National Cemeteries</u> Note: Arlington National Cemetery has a separate database...
  - <u>Arlington National Cemetery Burials</u> official website of Arlington National Cemetery; click on "web" when you get there (also has mobile apps); includes images of many of the gravestones
    - A version of this database without the images is also available at Ancestry: <u>Arlington, Virginia, Arlington National Cemetery, 1861-2024</u> (free with registration) has entries to early April 2024
- American Battle Monuments Commission for burials in American military cemeteries overseas
- Army Cemeteries Explorer Burials database for 22 cemeteries maintained by the U.S. Army. Many of the entries included photographs of the grave markers

- Military Burials and Indexes from Ancestry (these require an Ancestry subscription)
  - U.S. Headstone Applications For Military Veterans, 1861-1985 (requires payment) For burials in non-federal (private) cemeteries where a VA headstone was requested. Includes digitized images of the applications. Has over 4.9 million entries.
  - <u>U.S. Veterans Cemeteries Database, ca.1775-2019</u> (requires payment)
  - <u>U.S. National Cemetery Interment Control Forms, 1928-1962</u> (requires payment) for U.S. Army personnel interred in national cemeteries
  - <u>U.S. Burial Registers, Military Posts and National Cemeteries, 1862-1960</u> (requires payment)
- Headstone Applications for U.S. Military Veterans, 1925-1949 at FamilySearch/free with registration; for burials in non-federal (private) cemeteries where a VA headstone was requested
- Also See: Online Military Indexes and Records USA includes listings for some Civil War cemeteries and burials, and other items

#### **Jewish Burial Records**

- <u>JewishGen Online Worldwide Burial Registry</u> (from JewishGen/Ancestry; requires free registration)
- Kevarim of Tzadikim in North America documents the burial sites of about 2000 rabbis

#### **How To Find Where Someone is Buried**

- Obituaries sometimes name the cemetery where the person is buried. See this website's Obituaries Research Guide.
- Death Certificates sometimes name the cemetery. Some states have (usually older) digitized death certificates that can be downloaded online (some are free, others fee-based). For some states, you may be able to order a copy of the death certificate for a fee, but be aware that sometimes restrictions may apply. See the list of states at the bottom of this webpage.
- Funeral Homes: If the obituary doesn't name the cemetery, it may name the
  funeral home. If the death was somewhat recent, try calling the funeral home to
  see if they know where the person was buried. Also, many funeral homes have
  obituaries on their websites.
- Military Veterans: See the military section above.
- Online Cemetery Indexes: See the general section above. There are also online cemetery burial indexes for some counties and cities. To find some of these click on a state below...

#### **Online Death Indexes & Records**

Alabama | Alaska | Arizona | Arkansas | California | Colorado | Connecticut | Delaware | Dist of Columbia | Florida | Georgia |
Hawaii | Idaho | Illinois Indiana | Iowa | Kansas | Kentucky | Louisiana | Maine | Maryland | Massachusetts | Michigan | Minnesota |
Mississippi | Missouri | Montana | Nebraska | Nevada | New Hampshire | New Jersey | New Mexico | New York | North Carolina |
North Dakota | Ohio | Oklahoma | Oregon | Pennsylvania | Rhode Island | South Carolina | South Dakota | Tennessee | Texas |
Utah | Vermont | Virginia | Washington | West Virginia | Wisconsin | Wyoming