**WHITE OAK CEMETERY**

White Oak Cemetery is located at 1200 W. Seventh St. on Bloomington’s west side. White Oak is one of the remaining cemeteries for Bloomington’s earliest settlers. Originally the United Presbyterian Cemetery, it was bought by the city in 1914 and renamed White Oak in 1983. Many graves predate the 1876 documentation and are a veritable census of past Bloomington-area leaders: Fee, Wylie, Bryan, Gourley, Woodburn, and Henderson.

There is a memorial to Indiana pioneers that lists those graves and small cemeteries thought to have been lost during the expansion of Bloomington Township. The four foot tripartite monument of gray granite was dedicated by the Bloomington Township Trustees in 1989.

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**ROSE HILL CEMETERY**

Rose Hill Cemetery is located at 1100 W. Fourth St. The original cemetery began around 1818-1820. In 1892, the Ladies Cemetery Association, a civic committee, assumed management of the cemetery and named it Rose Hill for the wild and cultivated roses that were spread over the grounds.

Many national and local notable people are buried in Rose Hill Cemetery. A few prominent figures associated with the early years of Indiana University are buried in the Old Spencer Addition, including the Rev. Elisha Ballantine (professor of Greek) and Theophilus A. Wylie (professor of natural philosophy and chemistry). Other notables include: David Maxwell, Andrew Wylie, Margaret Hemphill McCalla, the Showers family, Alfred C. Kinsey, and Hoagland (Hoagy) Howard Carmichael.

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**ROSE HILL AND WHITE OAK CEMETRIES**

**PRICING**

The Rose Hill and White Oak Cemetery office is located at the corner of Fourth and Elm Streets (930 W. Fourth St.), just outside the entrance of Rose Hill Cemetery.

**ROSE HILL AND WHITE OAK CEMETARY OFFICES**

930 W. FOURTH ST.

For more information, contact Barb Dunbar at 812-349-3498 or dunbarb@bloomington.in.gov

Cover photo: Rose Hill Cemetery
Cemetery staff provides opening and closing services only. Opening and closing fees are assessed at the time of burial. We are unable to accept prepayment of these services. Your funeral director will arrange any other services (canopies, lowering devices, chairs, honor guard, etc.)

The City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department is responsible for the general maintenance of the cemetery grounds. Cemetery grounds are well maintained by our professional staff throughout the year. Perpetual care includes mowing, weeding, tree trimming, removal of snow and debris, landscaping of common gardens, and maintenance and disposal of burial decorations.

**LOT OWNER RESPONSIBILITIES**

The maintenance of all plantings on a cemetery lot is the responsibility of the lot owner. Maintenance must be performed regularly by owners to ensure healthy, neat, and attractive conditions.

Care and upkeep of monuments, including headstones, shall be the responsibility of the lot owner. Installation of monuments and headstones shall be by a reputable monument company which shall adhere to specific guidelines as prescribed by the City of Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department.

**CREMATION**

Ashes may be interred either in the ground or in mausoleum niches. Single mausoleum niches can accommodate up to two urns, depending on size. Lots in Section H (4’ x 5’) can accommodate multiple urns. Urn vaults are not required for ground burials.

**GREEN BURIALS**

Green burials are permitted only at White Oak Cemetery in a prescribed section. For more information, contact the cemetery office.