LakeView
Bereavement Centre

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A special place to say farewell

Every life is unique, and every farewell should reflect the individuality of the life it honours.

At Lake View Bereavement Centre, we offer funerals, cremations, and natural burials set within beautiful, peaceful surroundings. The serenity of the lake provides a calming backdrop for reflection, while our meadow, gardens, and grounds create a tranquil sanctuary, one that family and friends are always welcome to return to.

Our chapel and Snowdrop Lodge are modern, comfortable, and fully accessible, offering services that can be thoughtfully tailored to your needs.

Lake View is a special place, where comfort can be found in the gentle embrace of nature.

Everything we do here is designed to protect, enhance and encourage the wildlife, woodlands and wildflowers, which call our County Wildlife site home.





Here for you

Lake View Bereavement Centre is more than a crematorium and natural burial ground. Death is a natural part of life, and we are here to support the living just as much as we honour those who have died.

Whether you are arranging a funeral, preparing for the future, or have questions about our services, we are here to walk alongside you with compassion and understanding - giving as much help, guidance and support as you, and your loved ones need.

Please do pop by and see us.

Welcoming and comforting

At Lake View you will find modern, comfortable facilities that fit seamlessly in our beautiful lakeside setting.

Our Lake Side and Family Rooms offer comfortable seating and a place to reflect, with accessible toilets located nearby.



Tribute Terrace

At the end of the service, guests are invited to step out onto the spacious Tribute Terrace, where floral tributes are carefully arranged.

Designed for comfort in all weather conditions, the terrace provides a gentle transition into the flower court and the more formal gardens beyond.

Our chapel

Our chapel with its wall to ceiling windows overlooking the beautiful lake provides a calm, welcoming space for funerals, celebrations and memorial services.

Each service is led with care and sensitivity and is tailored to reflect individual wishes, beliefs and traditions.

To support a calm and unhurried farewell, we limit the number of services each day, allowing each family the time, space, and privacy they need.

Following the service, families are welcome to spend time by the water, walk through the meadows or gather in Snowdrop Lodge, a peaceful space to come together, share memories and find comfort.



Seating and facilities

The chapel seats up to 122 people, but can be extended or made smaller if required.

We also have a smaller 12-seater chapel for more intimate gatherings.

Both are equipped with the latest technology to support personalised tributes including music, photography and film. Services can also be live streamed and recorded for those unable to attend in person.

Witnessing a cremation

For those with specific religious or personal wishes, we provide a dignified space for up to 6 people to witness the entry of the coffin into the cremator. If desired, viewing can also take place via display screens in the chapel.

We kindly ask this is arranged in advance.

Natural burials

There is something deeply comforting about a burial that takes place in nature. Our peaceful wildflower meadow is the perfect place to lay a loved one to rest.

Whether you're planning ahead or arranging a funeral for someone close to you, choosing a natural burial can feel like a quiet gift - to your loved one, to the planet, and to future generations.

What is a natural burial

Natural burial grounds are rooted in simplicity and care for the earth. Rather than polished headstones and neat rows, these spaces grow and change with time.

Burial plots in our wildflower meadow are left unmarked, allowing nature to reclaim the land gently.

It's a living memorial, one that supports biodiversity and offers space for quiet reflection among the trees and skies.



What happens at a natural burial

Families often describe natural burials as more personal, more intimate, and more in tune with how their loved one lived.

In advance of the day, we invite you and your family to visit the meadow, spend some time in the area where the burial will take place, and discuss the arrangements and any wishes you may have in more detail.

The ceremony itself can be as simple or as detailed as you wish, often involving readings, songs, or personal touches in an open-air setting.

If desired, we can also hold services in our chapel or arrange for gatherings afterwards in our Snowdrop Lodge.

Whether simple and direct, or accompanied by words of reflection and remembrance, each burial is conducted with quiet professionalism and deep care.

Our team will guide and support you through every step, ensuring that the service, however you choose to hold it, is dignified, personal, and beautifully set within nature's embrace.

Snowdrop Lodge

Snowdrop Lodge is a calm, private space overlooking the lake, where families can hold a wake, share memories, and find comfort in one another's company.

The lodge is fully accessible and can accommodate up to 80 people. With its impressive decking area overlooking the lake, it can be used to accommodate even larger gatherings, and is advisable to book in advance.

Catered to your needs

If you require more formal catering, then we are able to supply a list of preferred catering companies upon request.



Ashes

Following a cremation, your attention will turn to your wishes regarding your loved one's ashes.

Lake View is set in beautiful grounds, and families have the option to scatter ashes in one of our designated areas.

Families can choose to be present for this moment, or to have the scattering carried out on their behalf with the same care and dignity. Where families attend, a suitable time will be arranged, and you will be accompanied to your chosen location. Some may wish to say a few words or simply take a quiet moment of reflection.

For those who prefer not to attend, a record of the location is kept for future remembrance.

To maintain the natural beauty of these areas, individual plots are not marked. Instead, families are welcome to purchase a memorial.



Ash interments

For a more permanent place of reflection, families can choose to have ashes interred within our peaceful grounds.

Ashes are placed in a biodegradable urn and can either be interred in a dedicated ashes plot, with space for up to two sets of ashes, or added to an existing loved one's burial plot in our meadow (subject to permissions and capacity).

Following interments, each plot is restored to its original condition, maintaining the bereavement centre's natural landscape.

Remembering a loved one

Our memorials are thoughtfully designed to sit gently within the natural landscape, offering a place for reflection, remembrance and quiet connection.

Options range from planting a tree in memory and memorial benches to plaques and entries in our Book of Remembrance.

Our experienced team is here to guide you through the options and help you find what feels right for you.





Visiting Lake View

Lake View is a place to return to, whether for quiet reflection or to spend time remembering a loved one.

Our grounds are open during daylight hours every day of the year, offering space to walk, pause, and connect with nature.

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Office hours

Monday to Friday | 9am to 5pm
Weekends and public holidays | Closed

Grounds

Monday to Friday | 9am to 4pm
(5pm between May and August)
Weekends and public holidays, including Christmas and Easter | 9am to 4pm

To help maintain the peaceful nature of the site, last entry to the grounds is 30 minutes before closing.

Gates are secured promptly at the stated times, and access outside of these hours is not available.

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