

Airborne scattering gives options when choosing a place of final rest

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SCATTERINGS-airborne release of cremated remains

The airborne scattering of cremated remains above a scenic or memorable setting gives closure to the cremation process, while providing peace and comfort to those left behind. Although airborne scattering seems exotic, it is in fact a dignified and beautiful means of completing the circle of life. Its cost is in keeping with the overall economics of Cremation.

Cremation and scattering open many more memorial choices than traditional in ground burial.

For many, to be scattered above a place that holds special significance is a meaningful choice. Airborne scattering gives one that option. For others, it is the symbolic nature of the freedom of flight, and the release into the winds and sky to begin the journey to only imagined heights and destinations.

Airborne release has these advantages over the limited areas served by a boat, the spreading of the ashes into a common section of ground in a cemetery, or the remains being confined in the wall of a Columbaria.

For those left behind, the focal point of the memorial becomes not a marker in a cemetery, but the memories of the person, and

the place of scattering, as they are encountered during the patterns of daily life. Images of the California Coast, the lighthouse at Santa Cruz or Pigeon Point, the golf courses of Pebble Beach, or the Golden Gate Bridge invoke memories of the person who was scattered nearby. When the remains of your loved one are scattered by air, each sunset becomes an ongoing memorial, no matter where you are when that sunset is observed.

A common misconception concerning scattering is that surviving family members have no place which to visit and remember. In fact, a scattering location can be chosen which provides a place to visit that has far more memories, emotional attachment and scenic beauty than the grounds of grave filled cemetery.

If you have taken the pro-active step of planning in advance of your needs, part of your plan should be to specify what to do with your cremated remains.

Cremation is supposed to simplify. However, by offering so many options, it has the effect of becoming overwhelming. Unless you have been specific with regard to your wishes, the finality of scattering can paralyze, and often the result is that nothing is done. The ashes are taken by surviving family members and kept on a shelf in a closet. The

closure that is so necessary in the grieving process is never achieved. The ashes may not comfort, and can become a silent burden.

The airborne release of cremated remains offers closure in a legal, dignified manner, over a location that is scenic or holds special significance, and does so in a manner that is in keeping with the philosophy of cremation. It is an appropriate choice when exploring options concerning the means and place of final rest.

Gary Trovinger is registered with the State of California to scatter cremated remains. He releases cremated remains above scenic portions of Northern California, the Sierra Nevada and Lake Tahoe. Scattering services are available by contacting him directly, or arranged through your Funeral Home.

Gary is an Airline Transport rated pilot and a Captain for a major airline. He is reliable, caring and compassionate in completing the task with which he has been entrusted. He can be contacted at 408 858-1205, or by email at gary@scatteringbyair.com.

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