

Ross Bay Cemetery Burial Records, 1872-1990

Using the Ross Bay Cemetery Database

The information in this database comes from the Ross Bay Cemetery plot books (CR-0311) and is not presented exactly as it is displayed in the original records. Firstly, the original burial records have additional fields, such as date of burial, time of burial, name of clergy, name of undertaker, etc. If this additional information is required, please [contact us](#). Secondly, words such as year, month, child, etc. have been abbreviated for consistency and space considerations.

There are nearly 30,000 entries in this database. To make searching easier for researchers, we have made it possible to search by last name, first name and date.

Date

The metric system of dating YYYY.MM.DD is used throughout. Dates recorded in the burial records are generally accurate. Dates can be searched by year, month, and day; by year and month; or by year alone. Type in the year and all entries for that year will be returned. Type in the year followed by a period and then the two-digit month (e.g., 1902.01 for January 1910), and all entries for that month and year will be returned. The same pattern is used for searching a specific day (e.g., 1902.01.29 for 29 January 1902). The lists that are returned are in alphabetical order for the date specified.

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy

Under the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, death information is restricted for 20 years following the death of an individual.

Age

The age at death should be considered approximate in many cases.

Block and plot

Blocks are identified by either a number 1-4 or a letter A-W (excluding I). Plots are identified by a number, a direction (E or W) and a road number. For example,

A 44 W 26 identified block A plot 44 west of road 26. Often a plot location will look like D 1b2 E 30. The "b" indicated the person in buried between plots 1 and 2.

Misspelled names and other errors

Publications of all kinds invariably misspell last names (surname), and families often use variants in the spelling of both last (surname) and first (Christian) names. This is particularly true with "Mc" and "Mac" names, Clark and Clarke, Peterson, Paterson, Patterson etc. Users of this index are advised to consider exploring **all** possible variants in spelling before concluding that the information they seek is not found in this database.

Apart from misspelled names, other errors and discrepancies can sometimes occur. Every effort has been made to make this database as accurate as possible. If you do find errors and have proof (i.e. a certificate) that an error has been made, [please contact us](#).

Abbreviations

ca = circa (about)

ch. = child

d = day

f = female

hrs. = hours

m = month and male (i.e m ch = male child)

mins = minutes

stb. = stillborn

wks = weeks

y = year

[nee name] - appear in square brackets i.e. name before marriage

(Mrs. Hugh) - married name appears in brackets

"Jim" - diminutive names or the name by which a person was commonly called appears in quotes