

CALVARY CEMETERY POINTS OF INTEREST

- (1) Crucifix
- (2) Priests' Circle
- 3) Priests' Square
- (4) Sisters of Mercy
- (5) Monsignor George Tribou
- (6) Project Rachel
- (7) Garden of Remembrance
- 8) St. Joseph Orphanage
- 9) Baby Land Pre-1962
- (10) Baby Land 1962 present
- (11) Condley Family
- 12) Puerto Ricans
- (13) Angelo Marre Villa Marre
- (14) William Terry, Lawyer, State Senator, Member of Congress, Terry House
- (15) Shader Mausoleum
- (16) Cemetery Mausoleum (public)
- Davy Crockett, 7th descendant of Davy Crockett
- (18) Office and Maintenance Buildings
- (19) Lafferty Family Cross



Most everyone in Calvary is buried with their feet to the East and their heads to the West. Only the diocesan priests who reside here are not buried in this manner. They are located in a section known as the "Priests' Circle" (2) which began in 1933. Here their feet are directed toward the inside of the circle. Prior to 1933, the priests were buried on the hill toward the Condley family marker.

Sections of note include the "Sisters' Section." (4) Many Sisters of Mercy are buried there. A stone on the east side that reads, "In Memoriam of the Puerto Ricans who died at Pigron, Ark. 1917-1918" (12) stands to tell the story of a group of Puerto Rican people who died of pneumonia while working in the Little Rock area. Their bodies were brought to Calvary and placed in a mass grave. The number of people buried and their names are not known.

There is a section called "Potter's Field" where people are buried who have no money and their families have no means to bury them. There is a section where children who lived at St. Joseph Orphanage (8) in North Little Rock are buried and two areas known as Baby Land (9) and (10) where miscarried, stillborn and short-lived babies are buried.

Near the original southeast entrance gate stands the altar (1) where traditionally the bishop celebrates Mass on All Souls Day, November 2. Next to the altar is the Knights of Columbus Memorial to the unborn erected in 1993, and on the other side of the altar is the Project Rachel Memorial (6).



VISITATION HOURS 6 a.m. to dusk on weekdays 7 a.m. to dusk on weekends

Diocesan cemetery staff is regularly present during the week from 6 a.m. to around 2 p.m. and during funerals when they occur outside of these hours. Visitors are welcome at any hour the cemetery is open, though the staff recommends a visit during office hours.

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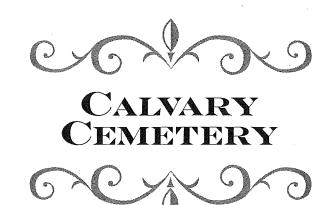
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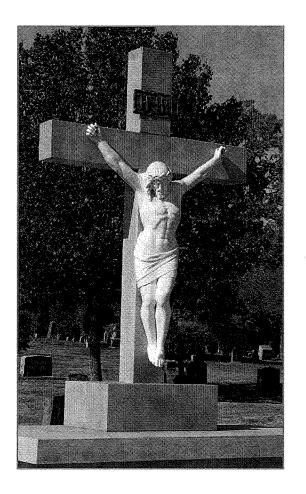
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There are many points of historical interest in the cemetery. Please refer to the list and the corresponding numbers to locate them.

Little Rock, an oasis of peace and tranquility exists. Thirty acres of giant ancient oak trees dot the landscape of gently rolling hills. This former pasture was part of a farm owned by the Condley family, and upon the passing of Mr. Condley (11), the entire acreage was donated to the "Catholic Church of Little Rock" in 1872. Blessed as Calvary Cemetery by one of the early bishops, this is truly holy ground where the dead silently await reunion of body and soul on the day of resurrection.

Since Calvary Cemetery is over 140 years old, many believe it to be full. Not true. Averaging some 80 funerals each year, Calvary is as much alive today as in its early days. Calvary has over 3,000 spaces available at a reasonable cost.

The cemetery is laid out in 25 different sections. The map in this brochure can help you find your loved one(s). Check the Visitation Hours if you would like assistance from the staff.

The first of two mausoleums (16) was constructed in 1987. The second was completed in 1995. Each contains crypts and niches for those who have been cremated, and there is space available in both.



