ABOUT US

We are Dignity Caring Funeral Services, and we have funeral directors across the country who have served their local communities for generations.

We help families through every step of arranging a funeral from registering the death to making sure any special arrangements are made. Our first priority is to make sure that families can arrange the funeral they want for their loved one, and will do everything we can to meet any special requests or arrangements.

We are available 24 hours a day, every day of the year, to give help and advice. We also have a clear pricing policy and provide written estimates before the funeral, so you know exactly how much the funeral will cost. We follow a very strict code of practice to make sure all the families we serve receive the same high standard of service from caring and professional staff.

If you need the services of a funeral director, please call us on 08000 344 6489 at any time of the day or night, and we will put you in touch with your local funeral director.



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MEMORIALS • HEADSTONES

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CHOOSING A MEMORIAL

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Advice and Guidance

Choosing a memorial for a loved one can be a difficult decision. It is important that you have time to reflect on your decision and understand the different regulations which may affect what you can choose.

This brochure is designed to show you the different types of memorial available. We use local skilled stonemasons to make the memorial and we will be able to help you with your decision. If you have any questions please just ask.

Please note, as stone is a natural product there may be variations in colour and texture from the pictures shown here.

Things To Consider When Choosing A Memorial

Regulations

Churchyards and cemeteries have regulations which govern the type of material allowed and the size of the memorial. For example, many churchyards do not allow polished materials. We will tell you about local regulations.

Location

It is important to consider where the memorial will be placed. For example, if the grave is close to a tree or hedge, a marble memorial may be stained by sap or decaying leaves. A granite memorial is non-porous and may be more suitable.

Lettering

Some materials will suit certain types of lettering better. For example, flush lead lettering should only be used for marble memorials. Gilded lettering looks best on polished granite.

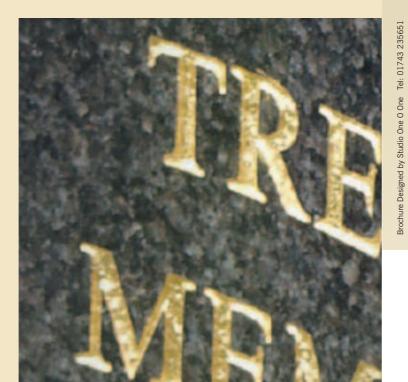
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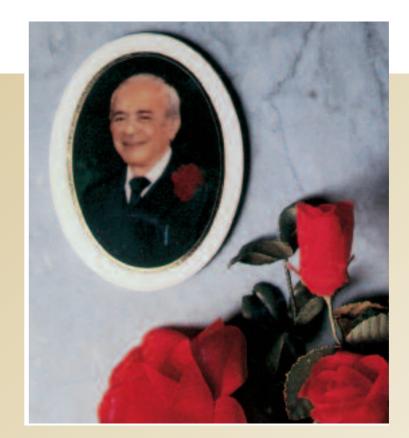
The colour of the material can be used to enhance the effect of special designs. For example mottled and light coloured stones are less effective than plain, dark coloured materials.

Maintenance

All memorials require cleaning to maintain their appearance and to avoid deterioration. Polished materials are easier to keep clean.

We can advise you and help you choose the most appropriate memorial.





OTHER DIGNITY PUBLICATIONS



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PLAQUES

A copy of your favourite photograph can be recreated to form part of the memorial, and will forever remain a lasting memento. If the photograph is of sentimental value, we would recommend that you provide us with a copy of the original, which can be obtained from any good photographers.

We have a range of publications that may be useful, please ask a Dignity member of staff who are there to help you 24 hours a day seven days a week.



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Advice and Guidance

York in Granite





Bude in Granite







Halifax in Granite

Newport in Granite







Ely in Marble

CREMATION

Canterbury in Marble





Salisbury in Marble



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Advice and Guidance

Wells in Granite



Norwich in Granite

Warwick in Granite

Paisley in Marble

TRADITIONAL

Spalding in Marble







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Advice and Guidance

Chingford in Stone



Clacton in Stone





Cardiff in Stone



Worcester in Stone

Blyth in Marble

TRADITIONAL

Cambridge in Granite (also available in Marble)





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Matlock in Stone



Redcar in Marble



Perth in Granite

Plymouth in Marble

Retford in Marble

TRADITIONAL

Reading in Granite







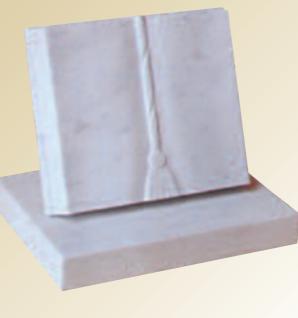
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Tulip





Bluebell



Kingston in Granite

TRADITIONAL

Bath in Granite



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Ayr in Marble

Arundel in Marble



Romsey in Marble



Marlborough in Marble



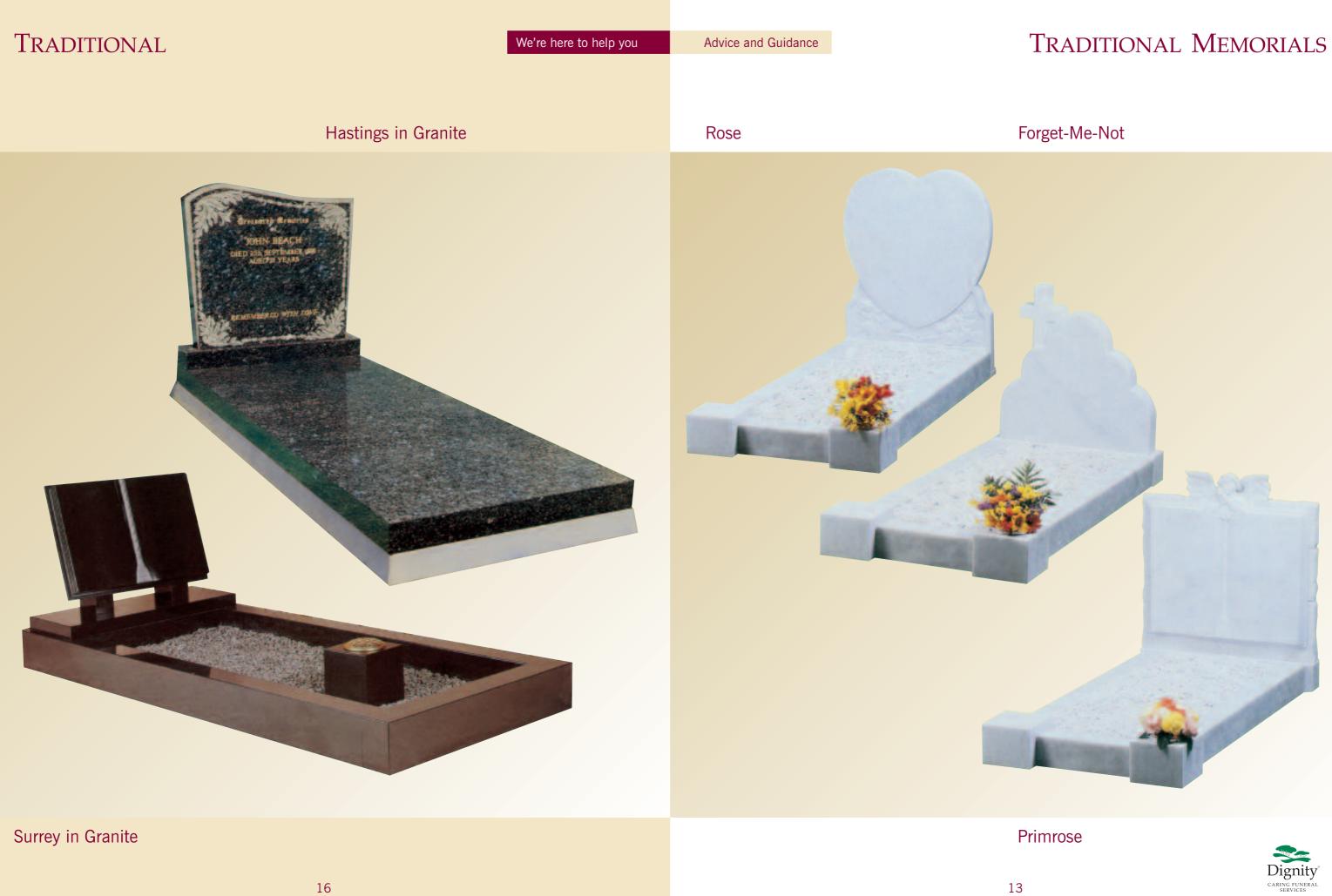
Malton in Granite

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TRADITIONAL

Oban in Granite







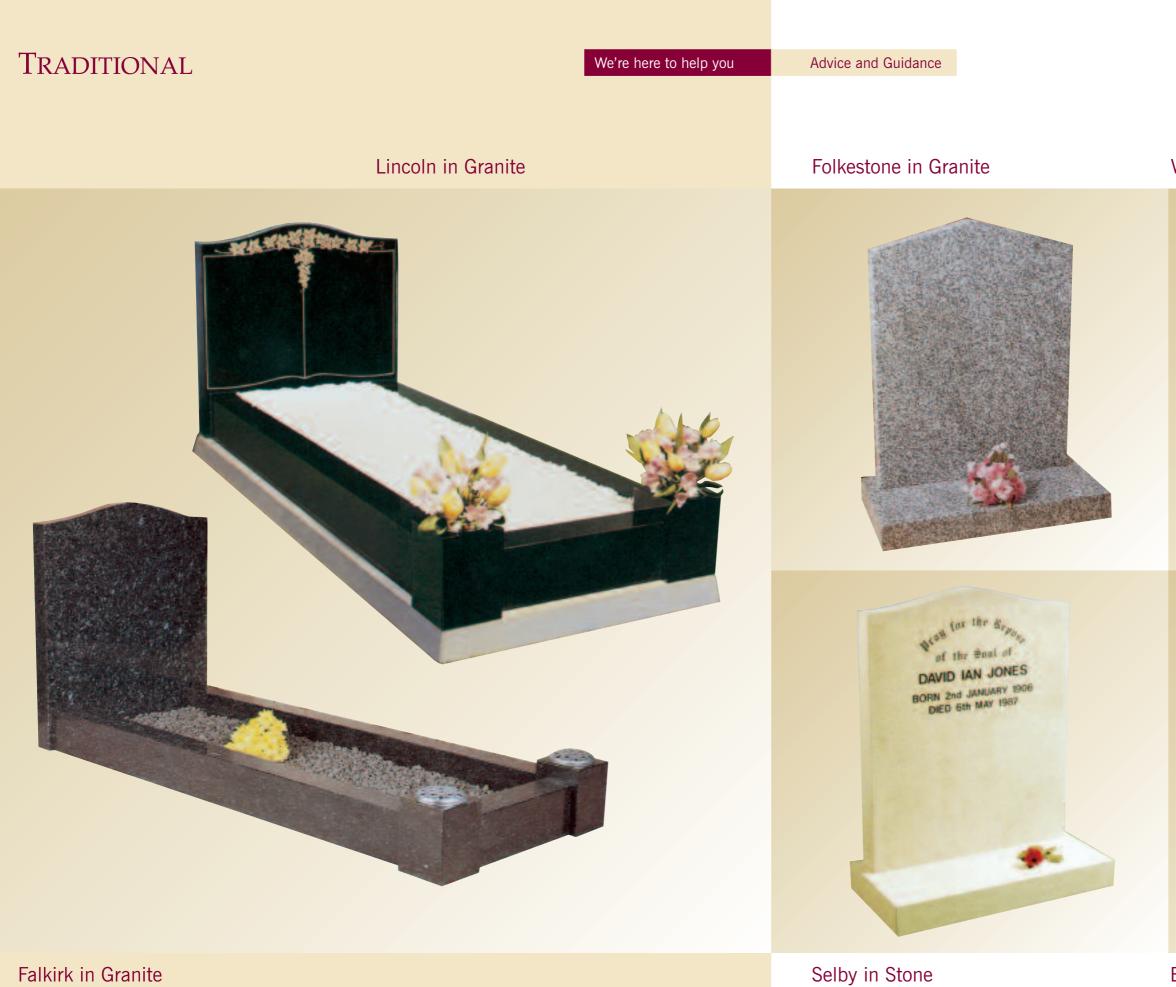
Barnsley in Marble



IN MEMORY OF A DEAR HUSBAND JAMES MILLARD 17th APRIL 1987 SADLY MISSE

Hyde in Marble



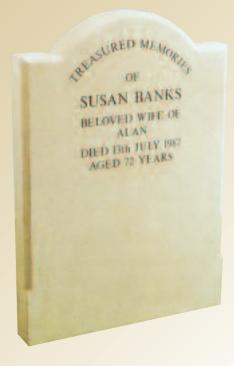


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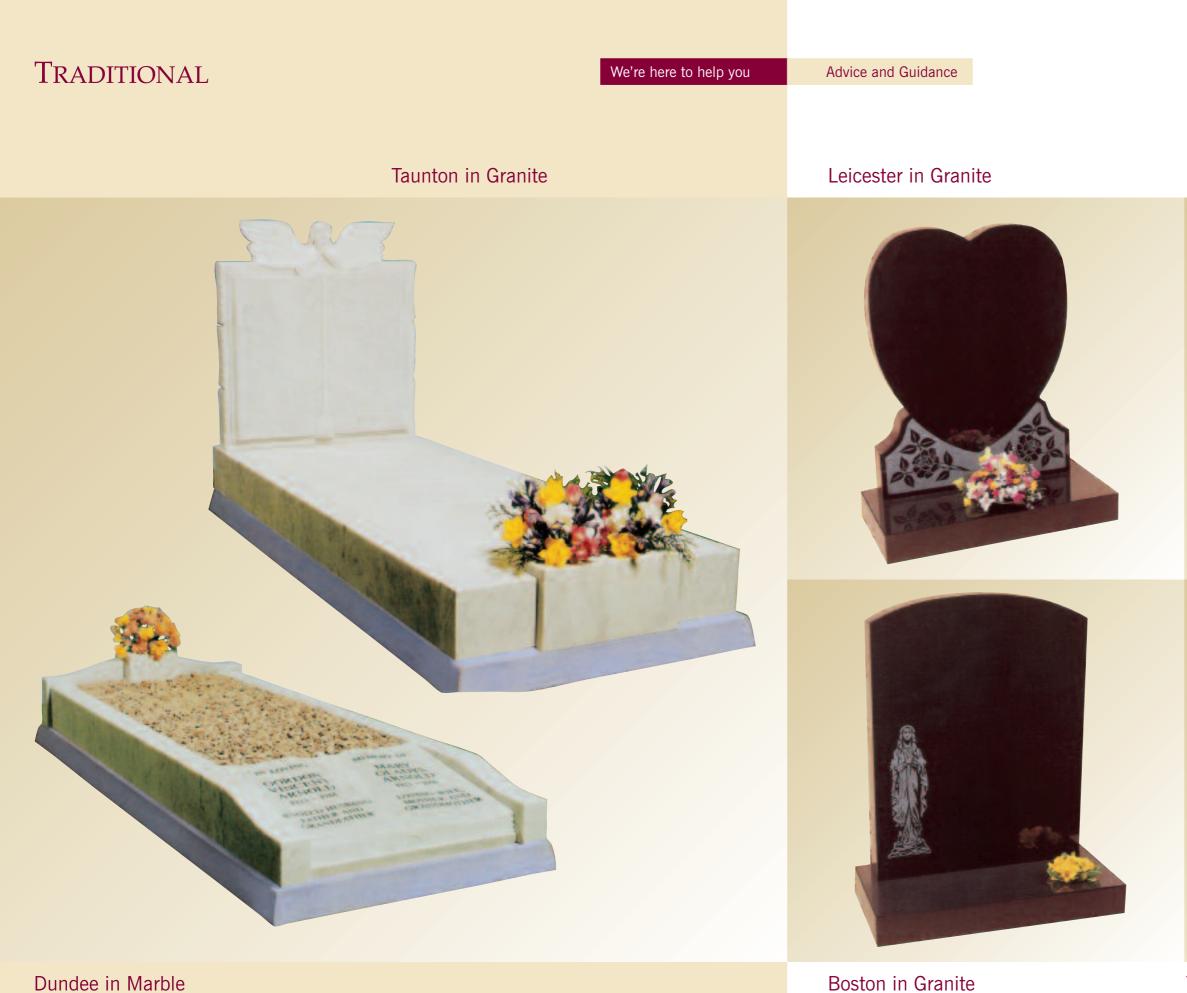
Windsor in Stone





Bedford in Stone





Dundee in Marble

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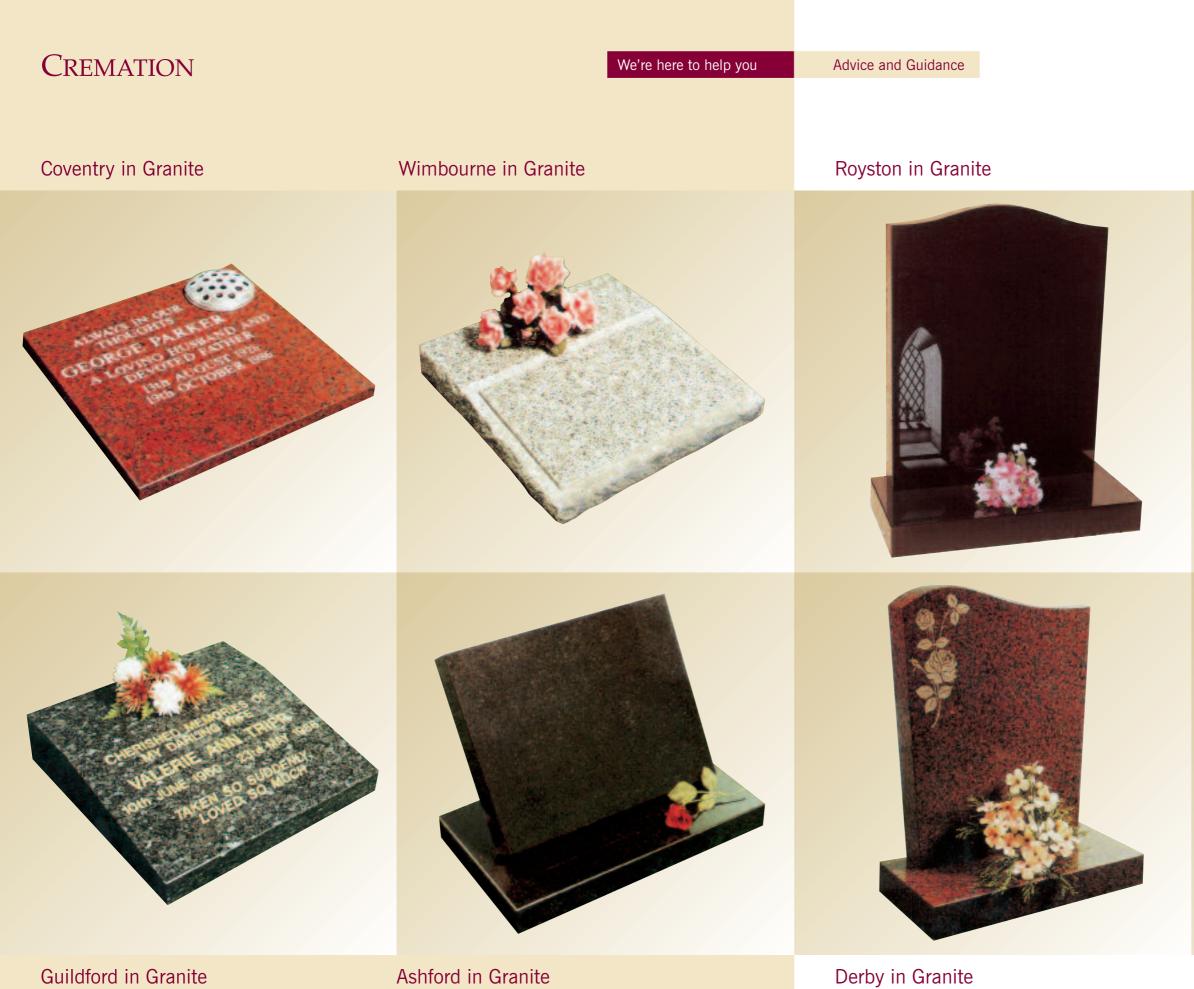
Hereford in Granite





Yarmouth in Granite





Kendal in Granite





Durham in Granite





- 1. Carnation
- 2. Violet
- 3. Lily
- 4. Petunia
- 5. Lupin
- 6. Poppy
- 7. Daffodil
- 8. Lavender



TYPES OF MATERIAL AVAILABLE

There are many types of material available, but the most common are granite, marble and stone.

Granite

Granite is still quarried in this country but a large quantity is now imported from abroad. Traditional polished black granite with gilded lettering is considered a classical memorial.

Marble

Marble is also imported, usually from Italy. The creamy appearance of the material gives a memorial a delicate softness.

Stone

In this country we have some excellent stone such as York and Portland. Stone's natural appearance is often well-suited to country churchyards.



DESIGN AND WORDING

When you have chosen your memorial you will need to consider the wording you would like. Again, there may be local regulations and we'll advise you. If you like, our stonemasons can create a personal design for you. They are skilled in cutting, polishing and engraving to ensure the memorial is of the highest standard.

INSURING THE MEMORIAL

We recommend that you insure the memorial against any accidental damage or vandalism. Please ask us for more details.

HOW WE CAN HELP

We can help you with your decision and can answer any questions you might have. Please don't hesitate to contact us. We will let you know when your memorial is finished, and arrange for it to be put in place.

If you would like to find your nearest Dignity funeral director to help you please call 08000 344 6489 and we will put you in touch.

About This Brochure

We have included in this brochure a variety of memorial designs for both burial and cremation. These are examples of a wide range available from skilled stonemasons and many of the designs can be made in different materials. But some of the memorials shown may not be permitted by your local cemetery. We will be able to advise you.

