



UNITED JEWISH PEOPLE'S ORDER

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Mortuary Benefits at UJPO

History

Our community was organized by poor Jewish immigrants, many of whom worked in the garment industry under very difficult conditions in the early decades of the twentieth century. People banded together to enrich their lives, help each other, and organize to improve conditions for everyone. Health care, social benefits, and protection from diseases with medicines such as antibiotics were nonexistent. Mortality rates were high and one of the sad consequences of these difficult lives was that deaths meant not just emotional loss, but financial disaster. The affordable mortuary benefits that were part of UJPO's history meant a great deal. They made possible a death with dignity and a final resting place among friends and comrades.

What are Mortuary Benefits?

Mortuary benefits entitle members to be buried in UJPO cemetery lands.

Who is eligible to acquire Mortuary Benefits?

UJPO-Toronto members are eligible to acquire mortuary benefits. To protect this membership benefit, membership must be maintained in good standing (ie. all membership fees paid and up-to-date). UJPO membership does not apply as a requirement for mortuary benefits in Montreal.

What is included in this benefit?

Mortuary benefits entitle UJPO members to the right to burial in our designated cemetery sections. To acquire mortuary benefits, payment of a one-time contribution to UJPO's Sustaining Fund is required. Annual membership dues for members with Mortuary Benefits are marginally higher than membership dues without such benefits. For information on the current Sustaining Fund contribution, contact us at ed@winchevskycentre.org.

What burial options are NOT available in UJPO's cemetery sections?

- Green burials – UJPO is not in a position to offer green burials but if you are interested in information regarding green burial, [click here](#).
- Cremation is not an option because we are a section of a Jewish cemetery that abides by Jewish Law. Burial of ashes is not permitted in UJPO cemetery lands.

Where are the cemeteries?

- In Toronto, UJPO has cemetery sections in Bathurst Lawn Memorial Park, 6033 Bathurst Street, North York (between Finch and Steeles).
- In Montreal, our organization has cemetery sections in Kehal Israel Memorial Park, 4189 Sources Blvd. Dollard-Des Ormeau, Quebec H9B 2A6, and Baron De Hirsch – Black River Cemeteries, 5015 De La Savane St., Montreal, Quebec H4P 1T7.

What is a Special Reservation? (applies to UJPO Toronto)

A Special Reservation is an arrangement to select a designated burial plot. An additional fee for such an arrangement would apply. This is a contractual arrangement between UJPO-Toronto and the member. To protect this arrangement, UJPO membership must be maintained in good standing. For information on the Special Reservation fee contact us at ed@winchevskycentre.org.

Contact UJPO at ed@winchevskycentre.org for information on funeral homes and burial arrangements. We can help facilitate communication with the UJPO community.

Funeral Chapels – Toronto

Benjamin's Park Memorial Chapel
2401 Steeles Ave. W
Toronto, Ontario M3J 2P1
(416) 663-9060
info@benjamins.ca

Steeles Memorial Chapel
350 Steeles Avenue West
Thornhill, ON L4J 1A1
(905) 881-6003
info@steeles.org

Funeral Chapel - Montreal

Paperman's

3888 Jean Talon O.
Montreal, QC, H3R 2G8
(514) 733-7101

What do I need to know about erecting a monument at the gravesite?

Monuments or markers are erected at the burial site typically within one year of the passing of the loved one. The following monument makers in Toronto are suggested.

- Izenberg Goldberg Monuments, 3177 Bathurst St, Toronto, ON M6A 2B2, (416) 787-0319
- Benjamin's Landmark Monuments, 3429 Bathurst St. Toronto, ON M6A 2C3, (416) 780-0635

Further questions?

Please contact us – ed@winchevskycentre.org