

COKER



COLUMBARIUM



Coker Columbarium MISSION



To provide a ministry to the congregation and community by establishing and maintaining a final resting place, consecrated in a spirit of dignity and reverence, for the ashes of loved ones at eternal rest with our Lord.

In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

John 14:2

Coker Columbarium VISION



The Coker Columbarium:

- Provides a peaceful, serene, and holy resting place for you and your loved ones.
- Creates a sacred and dignified environment in which family and friends may gather for witness, prayer, and remembrance.
- Commemorates those who gave dedicated service as disciples of Christ.
- Honors the history of Coker Methodist Church.

WHAT is a COLUMBARIUM?



A Columbarium...

- Is a dedicated, consecrated, permanent structure.
- Has Niches (chambers) designed to hold the ashes of loved ones in containers (bronze boxes) known as Urns.
- Serves as the final resting place for ashes of loved ones.

WHY have a COLUMBARIUM?



- Continues the historic tradition of the church to serve its members from birth, to baptism, through life, into death.
- Is a statement of our faith in the resurrection, the life everlasting, and the church triumphant.
- Is appropriate as the final resting place for the earthly remains of those who, in life, loved the church.

WHY a COLUMBARIUM at COKER?



- Serves both church family and the community.
- Allows for easy visitation by surviving family, friends, and fellow worshippers during regular church visits.
- Provides a serene spot for reflection, meditation, and prayer.
- Allows for advanced planning benefiting you, your family, and loved ones.
- Provides a substantial financial advantage over the costs of a traditional cemetery burial.
- Honors the history of Coker Methodist Church.

WHERE: COKER'S FRONT DOOR



Located north of the Gibbs Building, the Columbarium is the first building you see entering from Wurzbach Parkway. The Gibbs Building includes the church offices, so the Columbarium and Gibbs Building are Coker's front door.

COKER COLUMBARIUM FEATURES



- Curved limestone walls and brick dividers highlighted with stained glass inserts form a freestanding, open-air structure.
- Trellises of powder-coated steel rods create filtered shade that moves with the sun.
- The Columbarium Garden within the Coker Columbarium provides a quiet place for prayer, meditation, and inurnment services.
- The sound of gently bubbling water in the Garden fountain complements the landscaping and enhances visits to the Columbarium.

COKER COLUMBARIUM NICHE, HISTORY & MEMORIAL WALLS and CENTRAL FOUNTAIN



COLUMBARIUM COMPONENTS



- **Four Niche Walls** provide an initial 320 Niches, with six additional walls for expansion when needed.
- **Two Memorial Walls** provide an initial 160 Memorial Plaques for honoring either one or two loved ones, with an additional wall available when needed.
- **One History Wall**, highlighting Coker Church history and honoring Lead Pastors who have served Coker United Methodist Church.

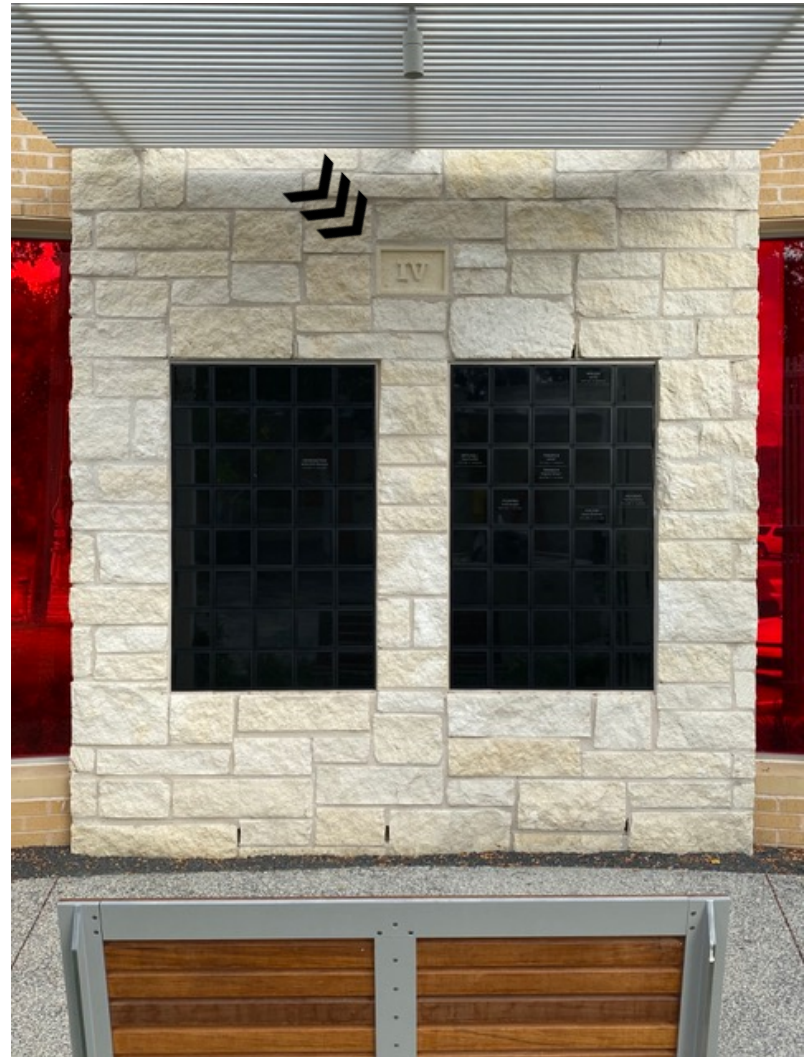
NICHE WALLS



Niche Walls can be identified by Roman numerals at the top of each.

Each panel contains 40 niches, two panels per wall. Niche locations are identified top to bottom, left to right in each panel.

Benches face some Niche Walls, and trellises provide filtered shade.



MEMORIAL WALLS



Memorial Walls can be identified by crosses at the top of each. (One, two, or three.)

Each panel contains 40 plaques, two panels per wall. Plaque locations are identified top to bottom, left to right in each panel.

Trellises provide filtered shade.



HISTORY WALL



The History Wall contains a large central plaque highlighting Coker History in the left panel. The smaller plaques contain names of the lead pastors of Coker from 1883 through the present, with their years of service.

Sequence is top to bottom, left to right in each panel.

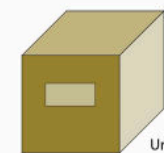
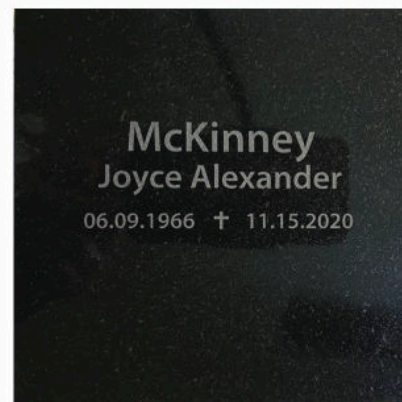
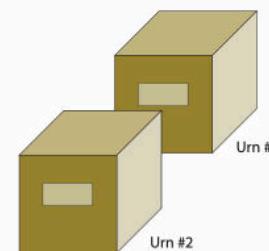
ENGRAVING on NICHE FACEPLATE or MEMORIAL PLAQUE



A Niche Faceplate or Memorial Plaque includes Full Name(s), and Dates of Birth and Death.

This ensures a:

- Standard format.
- Clean, consistent look across Niche Walls and Memorial Plaque Walls.



WHO CAN PURCHASE a NICHE or MEMORIAL PLAQUE?



- The Columbarium is a ministry for everyone: Coker Members, Clergy and Community Members.
- Anyone may submit an Application to purchase a Columbarium Niche or Memorial Plaque.

NICHE PRICE



- One Niche, for one or two urns, is \$4000.00, which of \$2,500.00 is eligible for tax deduction. Includes:
 - Niche (compartment) for up to two box Urn(s).
 - Polished, lacquered bronze Urn(s) with Urn ID plate(s) and all Niche hardware
 - Engraved granite faceplate for Niche.
 - Opening and closing of the Niche at time of inurnment(s).
 - Continuing Columbarium care and maintenance.
 - Retention of records by Coker

❖ Future prices are subject to change.

MEMORIAL PLAQUE PRICE



- One Memorial Plaque is \$600.00, of which \$450.00 is eligible for tax deduction.

Includes:

- Engraved granite plaque and hardware.
- Installation on Memorial Wall.
- Retention of records by Coker

❖ Future prices are subject to change.

HOW DO I GET MORE INFORMATION or PURCHASE?



- **For More Information:**
 - Go to www.cokercolumbarium.org for the Policies & Procedures, Application and Purchase Agreement Form, and Frequently Asked Questions.
- **To Purchase:**
 - Read the Policies & Procedures and the How To's.
 - Print the Application and Purchase Agreement Form.
 - Submit the completed Application and Purchase Agreement Form to Gail Hatcher at Coker with payment in full by check, cash, or credit card.

The COKER COLUMBARIUM Exterior from Parking Lot



The COKER COLUMBARIUM Entrance Gates, Locked at Night



The COKER COLUMBARIUM Interior



The COKER COLUMBARIUM Fountain



The COKER COLUMBARIUM Benches



The COKER COLUMBARIUM Walls for Future Niches



The COKER COLUMBARIUM At Night



“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”

Matthew 11:28



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Methodist Church

*Love **GOD** + Serve **Others** + Change the **World***