



# Fort Myers Cemetery Columbarium

Fort Myers (City of Fort Myers), Florida

Award-winning landscape architect, Theresa Artuso, RLA / ASLA LEED-AP, was a key member of engineering and architectural team that was responsible for the design of the City of Fort Myers' Columbarium at the City of Fort Myers Cemetery. The landscape design for the Columbarium included a predominantly native plant palette.

The columbarium, designed by Ms. Artuso, is an octagonal building structure, featuring granite-faced niches for interment of cremated ashes. The structure is centered in a circular space at the entry to Calvary Gardens and is surrounded by a paved area for funeral services and visitation. The geometric arrangement was designed around existing Canary Island Date Palms which were augmented by flowering trees and colorful plantings to create a peaceful, memorial garden.

Future plans include the installation of benches and, when the building has reached capacity, curved columbarium walls with additional niches at the perimeter of the circular space.

