



## Trustees

The Browns Valley Cemetery District is governed by three Trustees who are appointed by the Yuba County Board of Supervisors. They hold office for four years, and are eligible for reappointment at the end of their term.

The Board manages the business and upkeep of the cemetery and is responsible for following the California state laws that pertain to cemetery management.

### TRUSTEES

**Roland D'Arcy**, Trustee (530-743-8742)

**Susan Lee**, Trustee (530-743-6037)

**Ruth Mikkelsen**, Trustee and Chairperson  
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Browns Valley Cemetery District  
P.O. Box 211, Browns Valley, CA 95918



## History



Browns Valley, a small rural community located 12 miles east of Marysville, California originally was an agricultural community and active gold mining area. The oldest known burial in the cemetery is dated 1865 and 94 graves are listed as buried in the 1800's. The oldest birth date on file is 1780. Currently, there are 810 grave sites in the cemetery.

Browns Valley Cemetery was issued a Charter in 1939 and two and a half acres of land were donated to the Cemetery by the Yuba Goldfields. Another two and a half acres were donated to the Browns Valley Cemetery in 1990 by the Sperbeck Family Trust.

# BROWNS VALLEY CEMETERY DISTRICT



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9403 Browns Valley School Road

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SERVICE	FEE
BURIAL PLOT	\$350
CREMAINS BURIAL	\$250
CREMAINS EXCAVATION	\$200
ENDOWMENT FEE	\$250
NON-RESIDENT FEE	\$250
TRANSFER FEE	\$50
DISINTERMENT FEE	\$250
HOLIDAY/SATURDAY BURIAL EXTRA CHARGE	\$150
TEMPORARY MARKER	\$50*

\*Temporary Marker: This fee will be refunded upon the placement of a permanent marker within six months.

Prices change on a yearly basis, so please check for current prices with one of the Trustees listed on this brochure. Endowment Fees are non-refundable.

## General Information

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

In California, the Health and Safety Code states who may be buried in Special District Cemeteries. Residents of Browns Valley Cemetery District and relatives of people buried in the Cemetery are all qualified. After that, there are other criteria in the Code that describe different qualifications that must be met. These are listed and available if you contact the Trustee currently in charge of the office. Use the contact numbers on this brochure.

### Who Maintains the Cemetery?

Browns Valley Cemetery is an Endowment Cemetery which means that an endowment fee is placed in a savings account for use in the future. All endowment fees are non-refundable. The daily upkeep and maintenance of the Cemetery is the responsibility of the Browns Valley Cemetery Board of Trustees.

### What Services are Available?

The Browns Valley Cemetery provides the sales of plots for full and cremains burials. The cemetery does not provide opening and closing of full plots and it has a referral for opening and closing of cremains plots.

A full burial plot can contain one full burial and two cremains OR three cremains burials. The Cemetery Board is in the process of increasing the services to include a Scattering Garden and niches, both in ground and in a niche column.

### Flowers, Decorations, and Mementos

The Cemetery allows people to place flowers, both fresh and imitation on the graves of their loved ones. Flowers will be removed when they have wilted, and imitation flowers will be removed when they have begun to fade. All holiday decorations will be removed within a month after the holiday is over. Mementos are allowed, but will be removed if they become discolored and an impediment to the maintenance of the cemetery lawns and gardens. No glass containers are allowed.

### Memorial Markers

The Cemetery requires that each burial be accompanied by a memorial monument so that in the future the person's identity will not be lost. A temporary marker will be placed at the gravesite when the service is complete, and the fee for that marker is refundable if the permanent marker is placed within six months of burial.



### Veterans

There are currently 109 Veterans in the Browns Valley Cemetery. There is one Veteran from the War of 1812 and eight are from the Civil War.

Flags are placed on each Veteran's grave for Memorial Day and Veteran's Day. Celebrations are held for these holidays by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.