

Natural Burial, Family-Directed Funerals and Rituals of Remembrance

Saturday, April 14, River View Cemetery, Portland Choose from two sessions: 9am-noon or 1-4pm

Join us for heartfelt, practical learning and conversation at Portland's historic, non-profit River View Cemetery.

- Natural Burial: Learn about urban and rural green burial options and how to plan for a natural burial from David Noble, Executive Director of River View Cemetery & Jodie Buller, Cemetery Manager for White Eagle Memorial Preserve.
- Family-Directed Death Care: From our earliest days as a species, humans have cared for each other in death. Learn how families and communities can play a more hands-on role in creating meaningful death and burial rites with Holly Pruett, Life-Cycle Celebrant & Home Funeral Guide.
- "Aqua Green Cremation" aka alkaline hydrolysis, is considered an eco-friendly alternative to flame cremation. Learn all about it from Deon Strommer, owner of First Call Mortuary Services, who will be offering this service through funeral homes this spring.
- Optional: Tour the magnificent, non-profit River View Cemetery, the region's leading urban natural burial provider, (following the workshop). Tours can be arranged separately with White Eagle Memorial Preserve (Goldendale, WA).

Space is limited! Register and reserve your spot today. Details on DeathTalkProject.com or search Eventbrite.

Presented as a community service by the non-profit burial grounds River View Cemetery & White Eagle Memorial Preserve in partnership with Holly Pruett, Life-Cycle Celebrant & the Death Talk Project, with support from Passages International.











About our Presenters

Jodie Buller, Cemetery Manager for White Eagle Memorial Preserve, offering meaningful burials in 20 acres of ponderosa and oak wilderness at Ekone Ranch outside Goldendale, WA.

David Noble, Executive Director of River View Cemetery where 30% of all burials are now natural burials. David has served Oregon families for 45 years as a funeral director and cemetery owner and operator.

Holly Pruett, Life-Cycle Celebrant & Home Funeral Guide working with individuals, families, and communities to create unique, personalized ceremonies, including supporting families to care for their dead at home. Holly fosters community conversation through the Death Talk Project and PDX Death Café.

Deon Strommer, Owner of First Call Mortuary Services, with over 30 years as a funeral director and deputy medical examiner. Deon earned a Volunteer of the Year citation for serving as morgue operations manager during Hurricane Katrina.