

*Our goal is to maintain Mound Cemetery as a safe, beautiful, peaceful setting dedicated to the remembrance and heritage of our loved ones.*



The Casket below is stocked and is available for purchase from Mound Cemetery. All materials used to construct casket are bio-degradable & non-toxic. It can be used for home funerals, conforms to Natural Burial, Jewish and Islamic burial customs.



To learn more, visit [www.moundcemetery.com](http://www.moundcemetery.com)

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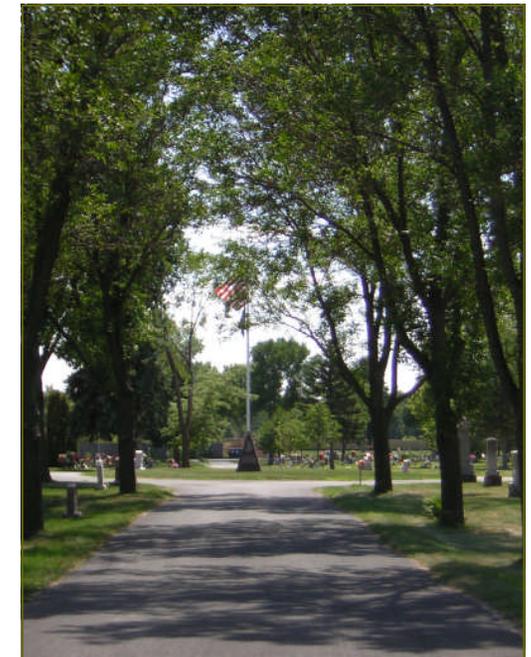
**CEMETERY LOCATION** 3515 69th Avenue North, Brooklyn Center, MN 55429

*Mound Cemetery Association of Brooklyn Cemetery is an Non-Profit organization, managed by a Voluntary Board of Directors.*



## Natural Burial

Working to make burial more meaningful, simple, sustainable.



**What is Natural Burial?** Or some times refereed to as (Green burial) is a way of caring for the deceased with minimal environmental impact. That furthers legitimate ecological aims such as the conservation of natural resources, reduction of carbon emissions, and protection of worker's health.

Green burial providers (Natural Burial Cemetery's) adopt burial practices that are non-toxic and energy conserving, including: burial with non-toxic, biodegradable burial containers, burial without the use of formaldehyde-based embalming chemicals, and burial without the use of burial vaults.



**Mound Cemetery of Brooklyn Center** was certified January 2012 by the Green Burial Council (GBC).

What does it mean if a cemetery is Green Burial Council certified? The Green Burial Council (GBC) is an independent, nonprofit organization founded in 2005 to encourage ethical and environmentally sustainable death care practices and to use the burial process as a means of facilitating the acquisition, restoration and stewardship of natural areas. In addition to reducing the use of toxins and waste in the cemetery and funeral industry, GBC aims to protect one million acres over the next decade by allowing one's last act to be an individuals expression of life.

**The Green Burial Council certifies three categories of cemeteries:** Hybrid Burial Grounds (One Leaf Rating) Natural Burial Grounds (Two Leaf Rating) Conservation Burial Grounds (Three Leaf Rating)

**Mound Cemetery of Brooklyn Center** has been certified as a "hybrid burial cemetery" offering end-of-life services that are ecologically conscious to minimize long-term environmental impacts.

All materials used to construct the burial cradle & burial wrap (photo right) are biodegradable. Rope handles are duo-purpose to carry the body to the grave site and ropes are used lower the body into the grave. Earth is left at the grave site which allows family and friends the opportunity of placing earth and flowers in to the grave. This is the final act of love and respect the living can give the deceased.

Families have also found that Natural burial is an alternative to cremation helping the environment with a lower carbon foot print , maintaining traditional burial wishes, within a affordable budget.

*We believe end-of-life rituals are meant to let us honor the dead, heal the living and invite in the divine.*



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