

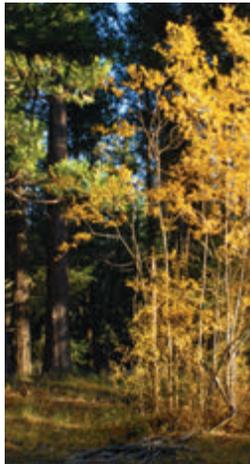


Our Setting

The 18-acre natural burial ground is located in a beautiful area of the ranch with mature conifers, oaks, native shrubs, grasses, and wildflowers.

The burial grounds overlook meadows and seasonal wetlands.

Paths and animal trails wind through the burial ground. Green burials are a natural fit in this serene setting.



With gratitude for the land and those who've come before, and care for those who will come after.



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Oregon's first dedicated natural burial ground





Willow-Witt Ranch

Owners Suzanne Willow and Lanita Witt are dedicated to the conservation of a 445-acre gem located at 5,000' elevation within southern Oregon's Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument near Ashland. Since 1985, they have focused on restoring balanced working forests and wetlands, and improving wildlife habitat. The owners are committed to land conservation, restoration, and regenerative organic agriculture.

To carry this commitment forward in perpetuity, they established The Forest Conservation Burial Ground as an extension of stewardship beyond their lifetimes.

Natural, or green, burial isn't new; it is the way people were buried before the funeral industry developed. Green burial continues the cycle of life, bringing us back to nature without the use of cement vaults, metal or exotic wood caskets, or embalming.

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While there are cemeteries that allow green burials among their conventional graves, this is the first burial ground in Oregon that is dedicated completely to green burial.

Cremated remains may also be buried in biodegradable urns or scattered at The Forest.

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Conservation is about people needing and caring for land.

"People are going to conduct life-affirming activities: getting married there, baptisms, confirmations, bird-watching, hiking, family picnics — all kinds of things are happening in these spaces because they're conservation spaces first.

That's the value of it. It's not just that we're going to put people in the ground without concrete. It's about the big picture and how it affects people, the way we relate to death but also the way we relate to each other in life."

- Lee Webster
Green burial advocate



Our mission:

To provide a space to reconnect our experience of life and death with land conservation.