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Understanding Cemetery Symbols: A Field Guide For Historic Graveyards (Messages From The Dead)



Synopsis

Graveyards don't exist merely to shelter the dead. They also nurture the living. In fact, America's garden cemeteries were our nation's first public parks. People used to visit cemeteries not only to mourn the dead, but to have a pleasant day in nature with their family. "Understanding Cemetery Symbols" by Tui Snider helps history buffs, genealogists, ghost hunters and other curiosity seekers decode the forgotten meanings of the symbols our ancestors placed on their headstones. By understanding the meaning behind the architecture, acronyms, & symbols found in America's burial grounds, readers will gain a deeper appreciation for these "messages from the dead."

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Customer Reviews

Tui Snider (TuiSnider.com) is a writer, speaker & photographer specializing in offbeat sites, overlooked history, cemetery symbolism & haunted lore. Her award-winning books include: "Unexpected Texas," "Paranormal Texas," and "The Lynching of the Santa Claus Bank Robber." She is currently working on several books, including one about quirky and unusual burial sites.

This is such an interesting book. I will look at cemetery headstones in a different way now. I'm glad that she had explanations for the common symbols that we see.

Very informative book. I love it.

Wow! What a great book! I got bit by the bug doing geneology research. I always wondered what the symbols meant and could not find a reliable resource for the info. With Ms. Snider's book along with the symbology and great pictures, also a creative process of Tui's, are plenty of interesting tidbits! Useful and entertaining! The book is small enough to keep in the glove box or your handbag or backpack!! Can't for the promised companion notebook!!!

I always enjoyed walking through a cemetery and looking at the stones. Now it will give it a much deeper meaning. I really enjoyed reading this book!

perfect book to get an idea for symbols and meaning. only glanced through it and already picked up a few facts! welcome addition to our growing library...

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