



## NZSG Kiwi Collection

- Record Type:** Purewa Cemetery Monumental Inscriptions & Burial Records
- Description:** Names of persons that are buried or have had their ashes buried. It also includes people named on the headstones in the cemetery. It does not include cremation records.
- Time Period:** 1871 - 1992
- Area:** Purewa Cemetery is located close to the boundary of the Meadowbank and St Johns of Auckland
- Access to Source:** Purewa Cemetery Office; photocopies are held at Diocesan Archives, 429 Parnell Road, Auckland
- Further Assistance:** Refer to the NZSG Cemetery Fiche held at the NZSG Family Research Centre Library in Panmure, Auckland  
REF: NZ.CEM.119.FCH and NZ.CEM.120.FCH
- Transcribed by:** NZSG St Johns Branch and friends

The NZSG thanks those responsible for compiling this index especially and for making it available to other NZSG members via this NZSG Collection. Special thanks to members of the St Johns Branch and friends who worked under the direction of Diane Wilson.

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**Remember:** Always treat genealogical information with sensitivity and courtesy. Good genealogical practice means returning to the original source for verification whenever possible.

Other comments:

Abbreviations Used:

a	age
A	an ash burial
B	a burial
d	died
GP	grass plot
GPNH	grass plot, no headstone
I	In Memoriam
ILMO	In loving memory of

ILRO	In loving remembrance of
PCD	Possible cause of death
STTMO	Sacred to the memory of
yrs	years
X	Cross Reference

The cemetery is an Anglican cemetery but many persons buried or cremated here are non-Anglican. The index lists the family and given names, age at death, year of burial (in the case of ashes this can be many years after death) and plot site information. Dis-interments have been included.

In some cases the names of living persons recorded on headstones have been included. Stillborn children buried in the Sanctuary often do not have given names and, where there have been several stillborn children with the same family name, these have a number suffix to distinguish between them.

The information in the transcript is taken "as read" from the original cemetery records. The original records remain at the Cemetery Office and photocopies are held at Diocesan Archives, 429 Parnell Road, Auckland.

The map of the Cemetery is available on the NZSG Fiche for the Purewa Burials. Each area of the cemetery is given a name e.g. Block E or Block X.

If you are visiting the Cemetery, the row numbers are sometimes written on the kerbstones but this is often not the case and you may need to call at the Cemetery Office for assistance in finding the correct row.

Whilst it has been appropriate for us to enter our information in the order of Block first, then Row and then Plot, it should be noted that the cemetery office has recorded the information in a different, "but never-the-less appropriate to their usage order i.e. Row, the Block, then Plot.

Please note that the letters such as A, B or X will also appear as block names, e.g. Block A and also that a plot may be divided up in Part A or Part B so that the letters appear as a suffix. E.g. Plot 36A.

The Purewa Cemetery office is at 4 Parsons Road, St Johns and is in close proximity to the gates of the cemetery and the crematorium. Access to the cemetery is from St Johns Road.

Some of the headstones have been the target of recent vandal attacks and our work on the 1989 transcription may be of headstones that are no longer present. In 1979 a small part of D block was transcribed.

The headstones of these rows were to be relocated or removed if dangerous. Not all the headstones were removed and those still standing have been re-transcribed and included as part of this project. These earlier transcriptions have been included where the headstones have been removed since 1979.

This earlier transcription of headstones in part of Purewa Cemetery can be found amongst the NZSG Cemetery Collection as BO3.18, Fiche Number 38. It consists of a part only of Block D, Rows 20-25, which was an area of headstones that were to be officially removed or relocated after appropriate advertisement.

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