

**§1101-A. Definition**

As used in this article, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms have the following meanings. [PL 2003, c. 421, §1 (AMD).]

**1. Ancient burying ground.** "Ancient burying ground" means a cemetery established before 1880 in which burial is restricted to:

A. Members of the family or families that established the cemetery, their descendants or others as chosen by the members of the family or families that established the cemetery; or [PL 2019, c. 561, §2 (NEW).]

B. Persons or a group of persons as specified by the persons or group of persons that established the cemetery. [PL 2019, c. 561, §2 (NEW).]

The existence of an ancient burying ground may be established in accordance with section 1101-B, subsection 3.

[PL 2019, c. 561, §2 (RPR).]

**2. Columbarium.** "Columbarium" means a structure or room or space in a mausoleum or other building containing niches or recesses for disposition of cremated human remains or human remains that have been subjected to natural organic reduction.

[PL 2023, c. 676, §4 (AMD).]

**3. Community mausoleum.** "Community mausoleum" means an aboveground structure designed for entombment of human remains of the general public, as opposed to the entombment of the remains of family members in a privately owned, family mausoleum of no more than 6 crypts.

[PL 2003, c. 421, §1 (NEW).]

**4. Public burying ground.** "Public burying ground" means a burying ground or cemetery in which any person may be buried without regard to religious or other affiliation and includes a cemetery owned and operated by a municipality, a cemetery corporation or a cemetery association.

[PL 2013, c. 524, §2 (NEW).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 1999, c. 700, §2 (NEW). PL 2003, c. 421, §1 (AMD). PL 2013, c. 524, §2 (AMD). PL 2019, c. 561, §2 (AMD). PL 2023, c. 676, §4 (AMD).

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