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**Temple Shalom Cemetery
At
Garden or Remembrance (Gan Zikaron) Memorial Park**

What: Temple Shalom ("TS") purchased a cemetery in February 2004 for the benefit of its congregation in Section 21 of Garden of Remembrance (Gan Zikaron) Memorial Park (the "Memorial Park") in Clarksburg, Maryland. There are a total of 127 plots in the TS cemetery.

Why: The enthusiastic responses to the cemetery questionnaire sent out to the TS congregation, indicated strong support for the establishment of a cemetery for TS congregants and their families. After researching the other Jewish cemeteries in the area, TS found that the Memorial Park was the very best option for its congregation because, among other important reasons recommending this cemetery over the others, the Memorial Park (1) offered the most competitive price, (2) it was the only Jewish cemetery that would allow our congregation the dignity of side-by side interments, within the TS cemetery, of our congregants' Jewish and non-Jewish family members, and (3) it is the only not-for-profit cemetery in the Washington area operated by a board of Jewish community leaders and open to members of all Jewish congregations as well as those unaffiliated with a congregation.

Who: Temple Shalom congregants in good standing may purchase plots in the TS Cemetery for themselves and their families.

Where: The cemetery is 25 miles from Temple Shalom; approximately a 1/2 hour drive from the synagogue. Directions: Take I-270 North to Exit 18 north (Route 121) to Clarksburg, travel 1/2 mile on Route 121 to Route 355, turn left (north) on Route 355, drive 1 mile, then turn left on Comus Road. The Memorial Park entrance is on the right just over the 1-270 bridge.

Prices: The price includes the cost of one plot, which gives the Owner rights of interment only (and not ownership of the property). Note that one casket or two urns may be placed in one plot. Prices will likely increase as of January 1, 2005.

\$1675 per plot if paid in full by December 31, 2005.

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The above prices will remain in effect through 2005. Payment of 1/3 of the purchase price is required at the signing of the Purchase Agreement and the balance is due by December 31, 2005. Each plot must be paid for in full before interment is allowed or the Certificate of Ownership is delivered to the purchaser.

Please note that the prices cover the cost of one plot only and that other costs associated with the end of life are not included. The Memorial Park charges an additional cost of \$1300 (current price as of 3/05) for the opening and closure of the grave, purchase of a vault and liner, and installation of same. Note that the Memorial Park highly recommends, but does not require, a vault and liner. Thus, if you elect not to purchase a vault and liner, this fee will be reduced from \$1300 to \$850. (FYI: Such additional costs associated with the end of life might include: funeral home services, casket or urn, monument and/or foot marker, etc.)

Rules: Prior to purchasing plots, it is required that you read the Memorial Park Rules and the Temple Shalom Cemetery Rules. The Purchase Agreement requires written acknowledgement that you have reviewed and agree to abide by all such rules. The rules include, among others: side-by-side interment of TS congregants and their (Jewish and non-Jewish) family members; prohibition of non-Jewish officiation, prayers or symbols in the Memorial Park; use of upright memorials and/or foot markers only and specific requirements as to the size, color, and materials of same. Please see the full Memorial Park Rules and the TS Cemetery Rules for a complete understanding of all rules.

Purchase: If you are interested in purchasing plots or would like additional information, please call Susan Zemsky, Executive Director of Temple Shalom.