

KMI Columbaria Delivers Custom Columbarium Solution for the Archdiocese of Portland

“Yes, we can” are exciting words heard by architects, consultants and customers when they call on the team at KMI Columbaria, Inc., when they seek a non-cookie-cutter solution for their columbarium needs.

Such was the experience of Tim Corbett, superintendent, Archdiocesan Cemeteries of Portland, who had discovered an interior wall space in a *faux finish area* adjacent to their mausoleum washrooms. His vision was to develop a custom interior columbarium to meet the needs of families seeking to be next to their departed relatives in a near-capacity mausoleum.

Working closely with Mr. Corbett, KMI Columbaria designed/engineered/manufactured/installed a “one-of-a-kind” columbarium. The columbarium actually was specifically designed with two different size niches which afforded Mr. Corbett and his team the opportunity to market two different retail price niches within the same structure. This columbarium offers family members an opportunity to be in the same building as their interred relatives and offered the cemetery an opportunity to generate revenue in a near-capacity mausoleum.



Two different size niches, created by KMI Columbaria, helped Portland meet the needs of families seeking to be next to their departed relatives in a near-capacity mausoleum.

According to KMI Columbaria President, Mark Fynn, “We are unique in that we can create any size or shape for our clients. One of our catch phrases is ‘*Making Concepts a Reality*,’ so we really work with our clients to learn what they envision and work towards meeting their long-term needs. We don’t come to them with a catalogue and tell them to pick one.... That is really one of our strengths – we can do a custom project without the custom pricing.”

Fynn added, “Our many satisfied customers, across North America, continue to tell us we have the best value product available, built to last indefi-

nately. Unlike most of our competition, our product is built totally from non-deteriorating materials — no concrete, concrete materials, structural glues or resins, plastics or corrosive materials. We are positioned to provide complete North American-sourced solutions. For example, our patented marine grade aluminum interior is manufactured in Liberty Lake, WA, and the granite is sourced from North American quarry operators. We proudly stand behind what we sell.”

Upon completion of the project, Superintendent Tim Corbett said, “KMI did a really nice job on our recent niche installation. Their unique system and custom-designed niche sizes allowed us to put niches in our indoor mausoleum where most other systems would not have worked. We really like the single-door-per-niche, the clean look of the interior, and the ease of opening the niches. The installation process was fast, clean and painless.”



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