

Your Upcoming Forest Memorial in Santa Cruz

Arrival at the forest

The address for the forest is [Buzzard Lagoon Rd, Los Gatos, CA 95033](#). Please use Google Maps to get to the forest.

For more information about how to get to the forest, and places to stay and eat in the area, [read our full directions](#).

Summer beach traffic coming from San Jose can add an hour to the travel time on weekends. Please plan accordingly.

Important things to know

- The entire forest is a non-smoking and non-vaping property for health and safety reasons. Due to forest service regulations, no sparks are allowed in the forest. This includes BBQs, candles, incense sticks and burning of sage. The fine from the USFS for this is up to \$5,000 per instance.
- Weather can change suddenly in the forest – we recommend layering with a warm jacket and long pants and wearing comfortable, closed-toe shoes as the forest trails can be wet and steep in some places.

What to expect

After your group gathers, we'll begin by gently combining your loved one's ashes with native forest soil. You're welcome to observe or participate as you wish.

We'll then make our way to the memorial tree. Walking sticks, and UTV are available upon request.

At the tree, the memorial will last about 30–60 minutes. Benches will be available, and guests are invited to help spread ashes and sow native wildflower seeds. You'll have private time at the tree before we conclude.

Afterward, you're welcome to explore the forest.

If you have any questions please call our care team at 628-237-3922 or email care@betterplaceforests.org.

We look forward to seeing you in the forest!

