

(Jewish cemetery information in Dade County submitted originally by Eleanor Laub of JGS of Greater Miami, 6310 SW 33 St. Miami, FL 33155 before 1997.)

REFERENCE:

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City Cemetery: (Florida Historic Cemetery #4). Non-sectarian with Jewish consecrated ground. 1800 NE 2nd Avenue, Miami, FL 33132. This historic cemetery, established in 1897 Between N.E. 18th and 19th Streets. Established in 1897, this cemetery with a walled Jewish section was acquired in 1915 by B'nei Zion congregation (founded 1912, later called Beth David). Over 100 Jews are buried there. Earlier, Jews were buried in Jacksonville. This is the fourth oldest cemetery in the state. Burials are listed in *Miami City Cemetery: Burials 1896-1990*

published by The Genealogical Society of Greater Miami, 1991, P.O. Box 162905, Miami, FL 33116. Beth David Address: 2625 S.W. 3rd Avenue, Miami FL 33129. Source: Bernard Kouchel,

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UPDATE: "10-acre site sold to city in 1897 by Brickell family for a public cemetery. Enclosed by a masonry wall with iron gate entrance. Julia Tuttle , 'mother of Miami,' buried here. Jewish section. Small Mediterranean building in cemetery used as office." http://www.freac.fsu.edu/HistoricPlaces/Sites/8DA01090_cemetery.html

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Dade County Cemetery: This is a "Potters Field". Source: Sherri Bobish; e-mail: Sherribob@aol.com

Graceland Memorial Park: 4420 SW 8th Street, Miami, FL 33134. Phone: 305-446-2922. This cemetery has a Jewish section dating back to approximately 1937. Contact person: Sherylee Sarandis, Rubin-Zilbert Funeral Chapel, 1701 Alton Rd. Miami Beach, FL 33139. Phone: 305-538-6371. Ms. Sarandis says she has Jewish records from 1937. From approximately 1944 to approximately

1983, this Jewish section was owned and administered by Temple Israel of Greater Miami, the oldest Reform congregation, who were the primary but not exclusive users. Many of these records also are available from Temple Israel. Contact: Edith Kerness or Sue Collins, Temple Israel, 137 NE 19th St. Miami, FL 33132. Phone: 305-573-5900. Space now is available to all. [before 2001] Number of burials: 500 also: Temple also used Graceland Memorial Park. Temple Israel Cemetery founded in 1944.

Flagler Memorial Park: Non-sectarian with Jewish consecrated ground: 53rd & Flagler.

Lakeside Memorial Park: 10301 NW 25 Street, Miami, FL 33172. Phone: 305-592-0690. This cemetery has been in use since 1955. For further information, contact anyone at the above address. Number of burials: over 27,000 as of 1999.
SYNAGOGUE AND ORGANIZATION SECTIONS:

- Agudath Israel Hebrew Institute Miami Beach Brotherhood
- Aventura Jewish Center Ohev Shalom
- Benevolent # 182 Maccabees Pointe East Cemetery
- Benevolent # 195 Riverside Memorial
- Benevolent # 198 Knights Sephardic Jewish Brothers
- Bet Breira Skylake Synagogue
- Beth Israel Congregation South Florida Fraternal Society
- Beth Moshe Congregation Temple Adath Yeshurin
- Beth Rafael Temple Beth Am
- Beth Torah Congregation Temple Beth Shalom
- Beth Yoseph Chaim Temple Beth Tov
- Chevra Fellowship Temple Israel of Miramar
- Cuban Hebrew Congregation Temple Judea
- Del Prado Minyan Temple King Solomon
- Florida Senior Citizens Temple Menorah
- Free Sons of Israel Temple Moses
- George Gershwin Benevolent Temple Ner Tamid
- Greater Miami Benevolent Temple Or Olom
- Greater Miami Hebrew Academy Temple Samu-El
- Israelite Center (Temple Zion) Temple Sinai - North Dade
- Jacob C. Cohen Congregation Temple Solel of Hollywood
- Jade Winds Temple Tifereth Israel
- Kneseth Israel Congregation Temple Adath Yeshurin
- Life & Charity Aid Society Workmen's Circle
- Margate Jewish Center Young Israel of Greater Miami
- Men's Fashion Guild Young Israel of Sky Lake

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- **Mt. Nebo Kendall Memorial Gardens:** 5505 NW 3rd Street, Miami, FL 33126. (305-261-7612 or 262-6921.) This cemetery has been used since 1940. For information, contact Connie Gore at the above address. There are no synagogue or organization sections. Number of burials: perhaps 20,000.

- **Mt. Nebo Kendall Memorial Gardens:** (a.k.a. Star of David Cemetery) 5900 SW 77th Avenue, Miami, FL 33143. Phone: 305-274-0641. This cemetery has been in use since 1954 with 8,611 burials as of 1999. Until 1988 it was known as Star of David Cemetery. Contact: Rabbi Ross London, General Manager, at the above address.

SYNAGOGUE AND ORGANIZATION SECTIONS:

- Four Freedoms Benevolent Temple Bet Breira
- Greater Miami Benevolent Temple Beth Am
- Greater Miami Jewish Federation Temple Beth Or
- Havurah of South Florida Temple Beth Shira
- Homestead Jewish Center Temple Judea
- Jewish Civil Service Employees Temple B'SA
- Jewish War Veterans Temple Shir Ami
- Kanner Family Circle Temple Zion Israelite Center
- Keys Jewish Community Women's Circle B.A.
- Shomrim-Jewish Police Officers Family Circle

See: Mount Nebo Memorial Gardens (p.03366; from *Cemeteries of the US* by Deborah M. Burek, ed. Gale Research Int., Detroit MI (1994) ISBN 0-8103-9245-3. Source: Al Rosenfield, Columbus OH; (e-mail:

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- **Mt. Sinai Memorial Park Cemetery:** {10731} 1125 NW 137th Street, Miami, FL 33168; 305-681-4432.

- Three congregations (Beth El, Beth Jacob and Beth David) purchased one acre of consecrated ground in **Woodlawn Cemetery**

in 1931. This was their first cemetery, a Jewish section in a non-sectarian cemetery. There were 1056 graves in 1999. Beth David merged with Beth Kodesh in the 1980's. In 1940, these same congregations purchased 25 acres and began their own Jewish Mt. Sinai Memorial Park Cemetery. Over the years, many different Jewish organizations, such as Workmen's Circle, purchased ground. There are approximately 12,000 graves. Source: Bernard Young, General Manager via Elaine B. Kolinsky, 7608 Dorcas St., Phila, PA 19111; 215 234-2641. Sections that were indexed and included in {10731}:

- Beth Kodesh Congregation, Section III, Block D. and Section III, Block H
- Congregation Beth Jacob, Section II, Block D
- Temple Beth Raphael, Section 9, Block F (Free Sons of Israel)
- Kneseth Israel Congregation, Section VII, Block F; Section V, Block F
- source: Dina A Hill; e-mail: DinaAHill@aol.com

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- **Riverside Gordon Memorial Gardens:** new name for Shalom Memorial Gardens

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- **Shalom Memorial Gardens:** {10710}. New name is Riverside Gordon Memorial Gardens. 15700 NE 18th Avenue, North Miami Beach, FL 33162; Phone: 305- 948-3376. This cemetery has been in use since 1982. Some information is available from Jerry Ross at above address. The records are kept at Southern Memorial Park, 15000 W. Dixie Highway, Miami, FL 33161; Phone: 305-947-3543. There is a Ben Gurion section for Holocaust Survivors and one for the Workmen's Circle. Over 1,000 burials; 382 names sent by Dina Hill email:

DinaAHill@aol.com

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- **Southern Memorial Park:** {10773} Non-sectarian with Jewish consecrated ground: 15000 West Dixie Highway, Miami, FL 33161. Phone: 305-947-3543. This cemetery has been in use since 1942. Many Jews buried are, by estimate, in the "hundreds". Contact anyone at above office for more information. Many of the Jewish people buried there were members of the Miami Showmen's Association, membership consisting of carnival people. Contact: Mr. Neil Composto, Executive Secretary, Miami Showmen's Association, 1799 NW 28th Street, Miami, FL 33142; Phone: 305-634-8148 / 305-634-9182

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- **Vista Memorial Gardens:** Non-sectarian with Jewish section with consecrated ground: 14200 NW 57th Avenue Hialeah, FL 33014; Phone: 305-821-1421. This cemetery has been used since 1958. Several thousand Jews are buried there. Contact: Ed Pawley at above address. SYNAGOGUE AND ORGANIZATION SECTIONS:

Agudas Israel	Temple Beth Sholom
Diamond Benevolence	Temple Judea
Jewish War Veterans	Temple Solel

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- **Woodlawn Cemetery:** {10711} Founded in 1923, Woodlawn Park North is non-sectarian with Jewish consecrated ground at 3260 SW 8th Street, Miami, FL 33134. 600+ names sent by Dina Hill; e-mail: DinaAHill@aol.com . Jewish section administered by Mt. Sinai Memorial Park Cemetery, 1125 NW 137 Street, Miami, FL 33168. Phone: 305-681-4432