

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery
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In Memoriam

Stephen Barney
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Raymond Cutler
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Mary Etheridge
Barbara Gard
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Lois Virginia Wommack
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Requiescat In Pace

The St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery Board along with the Friends of St. Mary's would like to thank all of our volunteers who have given so generously of their time and talent over the years. It is because of you that we have been able to have successful events that have helped promote the Cemetery as a beautiful historic location!

A special thank you to the priests, the musicians, the extraordinary ministers, the reception hosts, the Norfolk Sheriff's department, the parking assistants, the candle lighters... without you we would not have been able

to come this far!

Thank you!

National Catholic Cemetery Conference Member

OUTDOOR MASS NEWS & UPDATES

15th Annual Mass for All Souls

You are cordially invited to attend the 15th Annual Mass for All Souls to be held on Sunday, November 3, 2013, in the Chapel Mausoleum. The Mass is hosted by the SMCC Board and the Friends of St. Mary's.

The Rosary will be prayed at 1:30 p.m. The Celebration of the Mass will follow at 2:00 p.m. The Celebrant for the Mass will be Fr. Brian Rafferty, Pastor of St. Stephen the Martyr Catholic Church. A reception will follow the Mass.

**For more information or to volunteer contact-
John Langlois at 757-499-7202.**

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*Mark your calendar!*

## INTRODUCING MS. KELLY GALBRAITH!

The cemetery board has hired Ms. Kelly Galbraith as the new sales manager for the chapel mausoleum and columbarium. Kelly has experience in property sales and is fluent in Spanish. Since May, she has been visiting area churches and conducting information sessions while assisting families by showing them the advantages of owning crypts and niches over traditional ground plots. Kelly will have an information table setup in front of the chapel mausoleum following the All Souls Mass on November 3rd. Kelly can be reached at 757-633-2259 or Email: [Kelly\\_galbraith\\_39@hotmail.com](mailto:Kelly_galbraith_39@hotmail.com).



## HEADSTONE HIGHLIGHTS



The Wells Theatre in Downtown Norfolk is named after its founders, Jake and Otto Wells. The theatre recently celebrated its 100th anniversary having started in 1913. Of the more than 40 theatres that the Wells Brothers owned throughout the country (they were actually cousins) the Norfolk Wells was their flagship theatre. In addition to being a theater owner, Jake was also a major league baseball player having played for Detroit and St. Louis.

Following a bout with depression, Jake committed suicide in 1927. Otto passed from natural causes in 1940.

The Wells lot is located across from the infant/child section.



**Columbarium Info**

The structure is located in front of the Garden Mausoleum under the statue of the Blessed Mother. It houses 96 niches. Single niches are very limited and sell for \$1,350.00. Companion niches sell for \$2,500.00.

**Bronze Vases & Lamps**

Bronze vases & lamps for placement on the mausoleum & columbarium doors are available for sale. Crypt vases are \$250.00, Crypt lamps are \$300.00, Niche vases are \$200.00. These items must be purchased at the cemetery office and are installed by cemetery staff.

**Plots Available**

It is true!  
Plots are still available at St. Mary's Cemetery!  
Please contact Alesia for more information.  
Please leave a message if she is away for any reason and she will get back with you!

**Cameos Available**

The Cameos display a photo of your deceased loved one and can be mounted on either the mausoleum doors or on headstones.  
**For more information please contact Alesia at 757-627-2874**

***For information on the new Chapel Mausoleum Please contact: Kelly @ 757-633-2259***



**USGenWeb Archive Online  
Cemetery Burial Records  
<http://www.usgwarchives.net/va/norfolkcity/cemeteries/stmarys/sm-a.html>**

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**Update on the Triangle Garden Statue**

Many lot owners and visitors have inquired on the whereabouts of the Blessed Mother statue in the triangle garden. The statue was part of a vandalism incident that occurred in 2011 and it sustained damage that is not repairable. Since that incident, many of the marble base tiles that had already been repaired once before began to fall off again.

The cemetery board is considering the replacement of the existing base with a granite base. The base will be used as a memorial wall to those interred at St. Mary's whose locations cannot be determined. Family and friends will be able to purchase space on the memorial wall and have the names of their loved ones engraved. The memorial wall will include a plaque with the names of the original contributors that was never placed as promised on the old base.

Once the memorial base is in place, a new granite statue of the Blessed Mother will be mounted on top. Anyone wishing to contribute toward this project should place "Triangle Memorial Garden" in the memo area of their check.

Please contact Mike Leonard with any questions—757-622-7353

**Don't Forget!  
Easter Sunrise  
Mass  
April 20, 2014  
6:30 a.m.**

**SMCC News Tidbits**

SMCC is now on the web!  
Check it out!

[www.stmaryscemeterynorfolk.com](http://www.stmaryscemeterynorfolk.com)

The site contains a detailed history of the cemetery, available property for sale, links to the interment database, copies of the Newsletters, & contact information.

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~ Mailing List Information ~

**We need your help to keep the mailing list updated, current and keep down unnecessary postal expense!**

If you are receiving multiple copies of *The Herald* or had an address change, or know someone who has had a change, please contact Joanie Woodard, board member & Newsletter Editor, to correct information at (757) 583-4391.

You may email any additions, corrections or changes to:

StMarysNews@aol.com

**Be sure to complete and return the enclosed Votive Candle Order Form!**

Also, included on the order form is information on other items available for purchase through St. Mary's.