



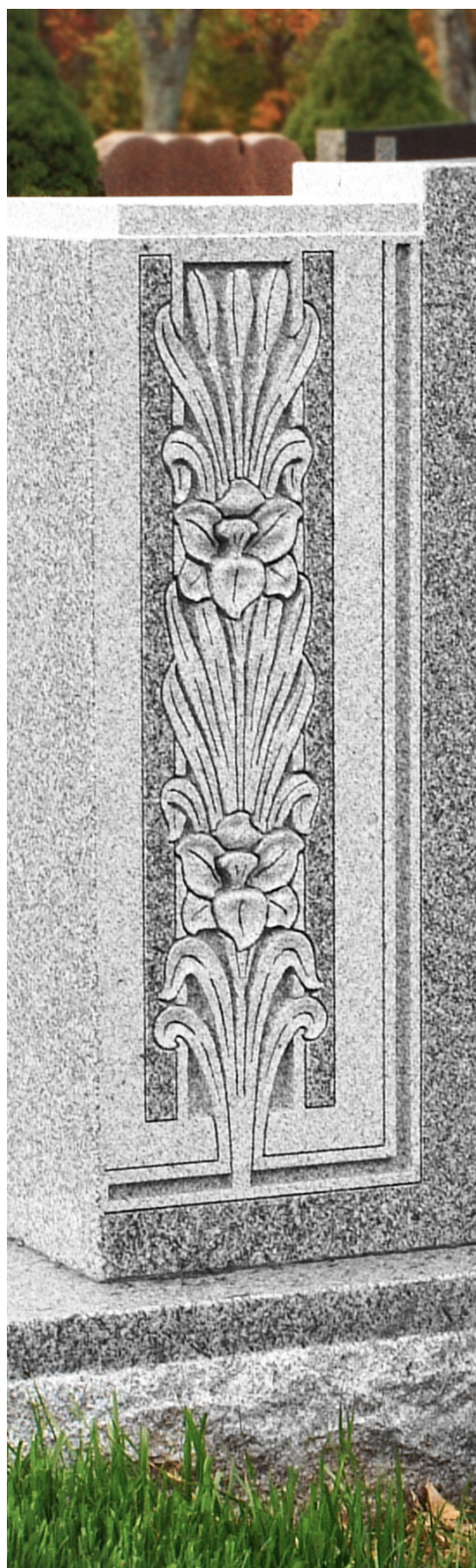
Monument Finish Guide

CHOOSING THE RIGHT FINISH FOR A LASTING TRIBUTE

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Why Finish Matters

The finish of a memorial does more than define its look—it influences durability, maintenance, and how the stone interacts with light. From crisp inscriptions to long-term longevity, the right finish helps tell the story exactly as intended.

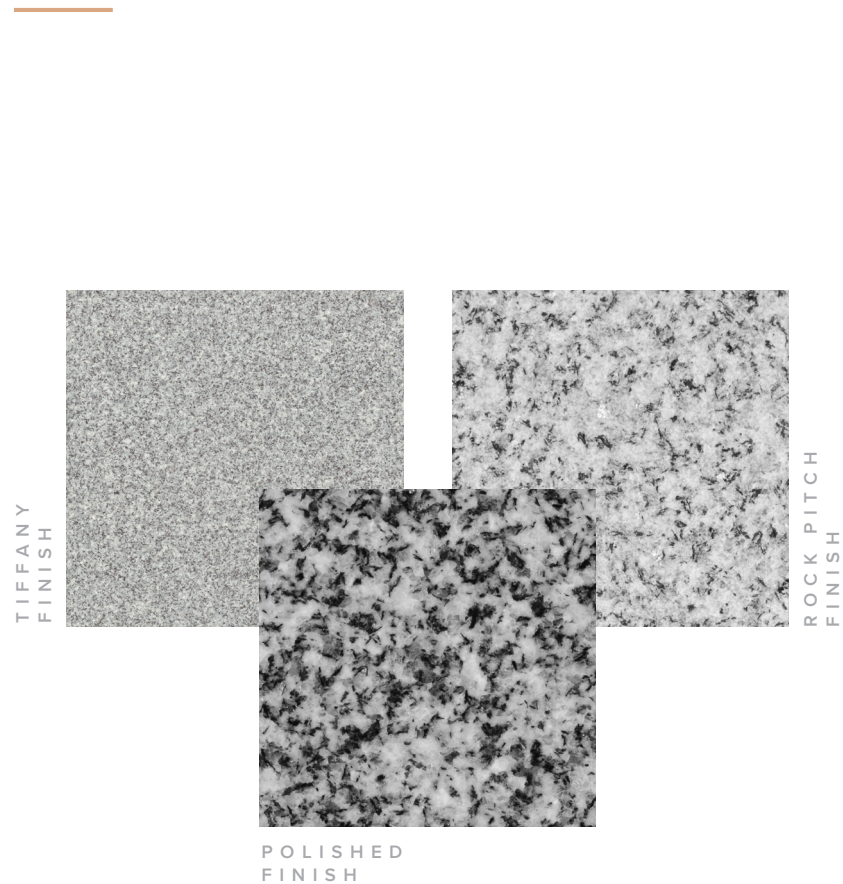


Stone Finishes

Polished – The shiny or glass like finish on a stone.

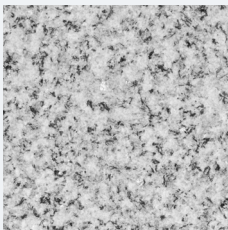
Tiffany – A smooth unpolished surface like a name panel.

Rock Pitch – The natural broken or split finish.

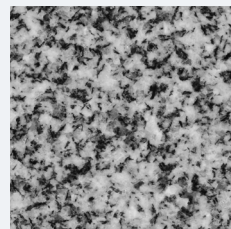




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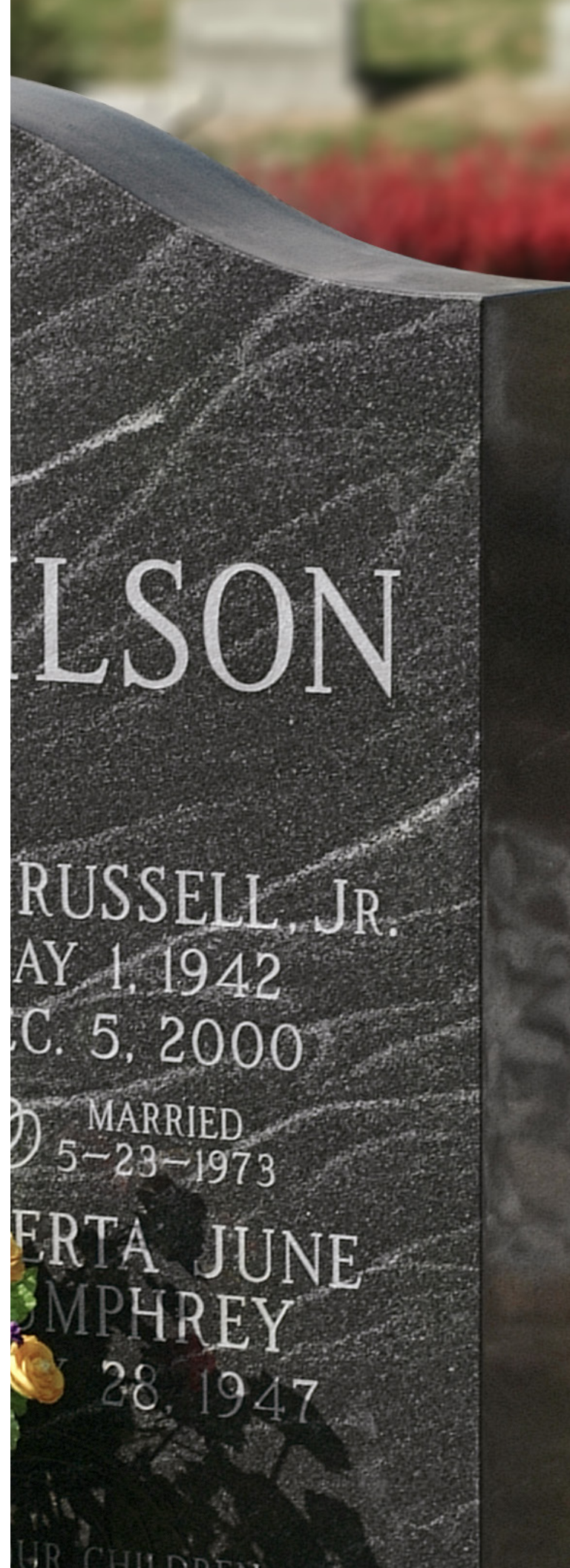
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Polished Finish

A polished finish creates a smooth, glass-like surface that enhances the natural beauty of granite. Rich colors and intricate patterns come to life with a high-gloss shine.



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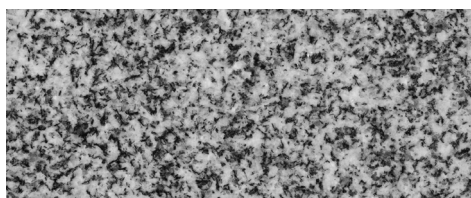
- High-contrast lettering and designs
- Families seeking a refined, elegant look

Benefits

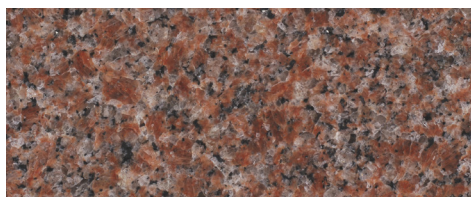
- Easy to clean
- Highly durable



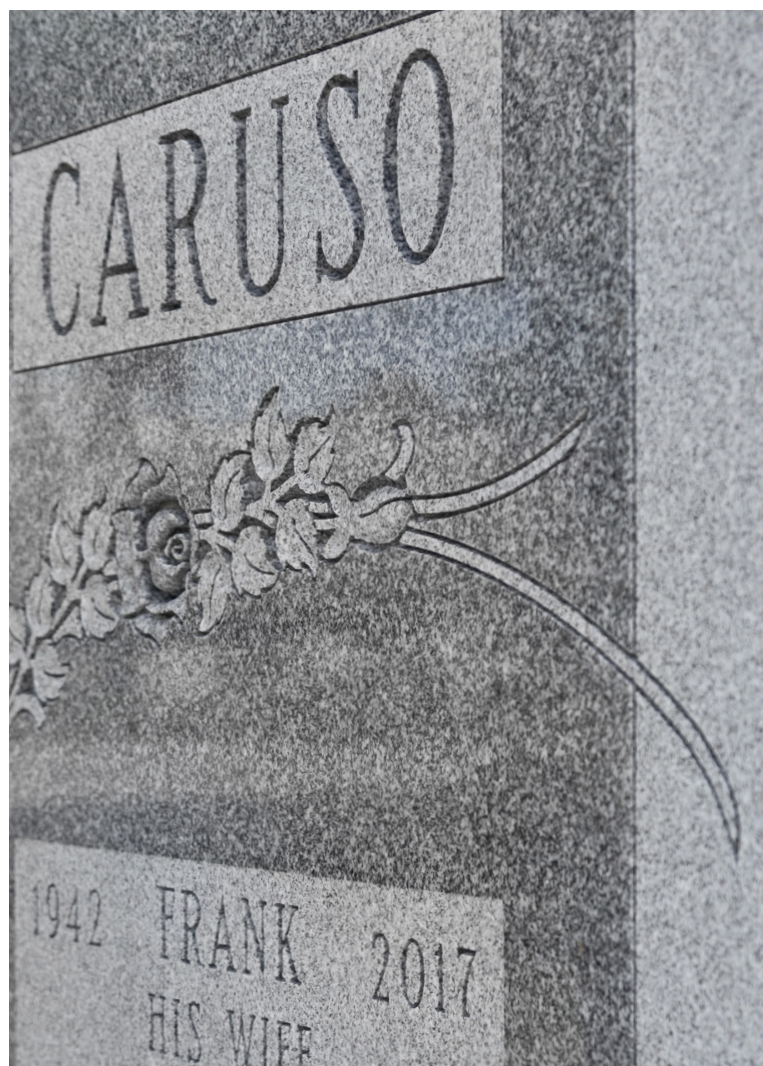
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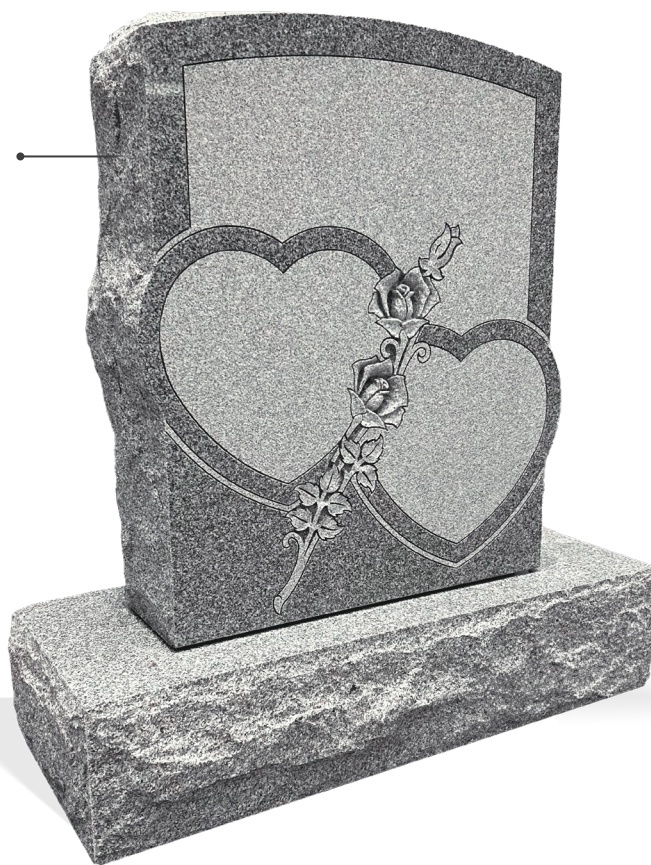
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WILD ROSE™ GRANITE



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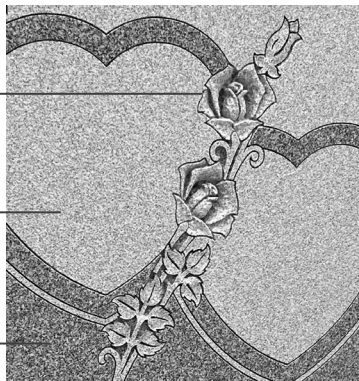


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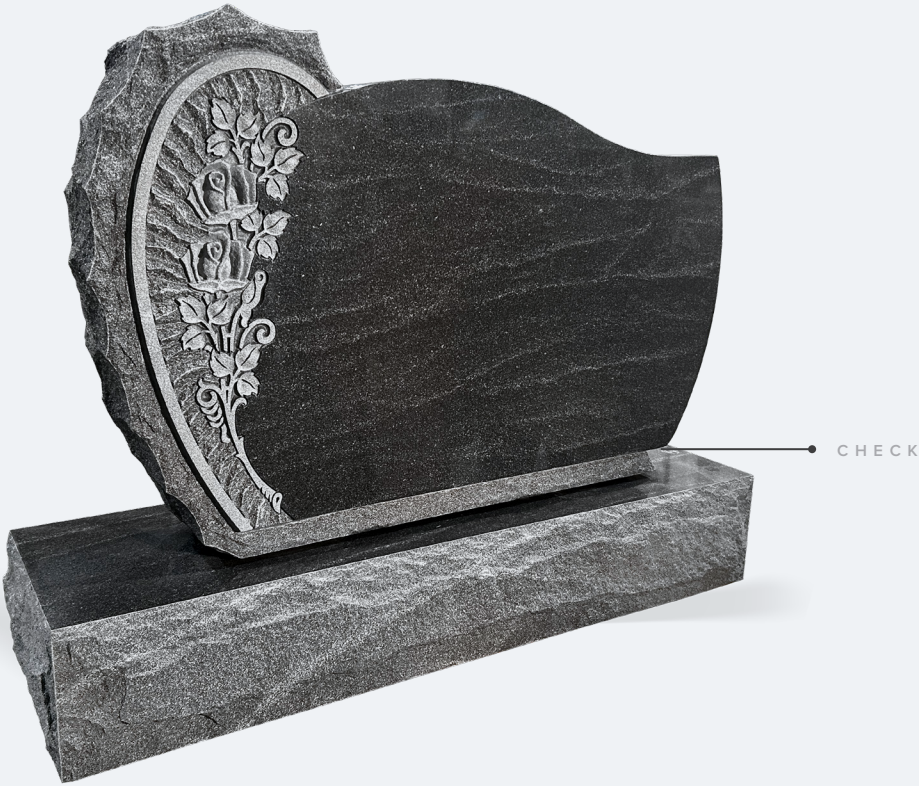
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TIFFANY
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POLISH FINISH



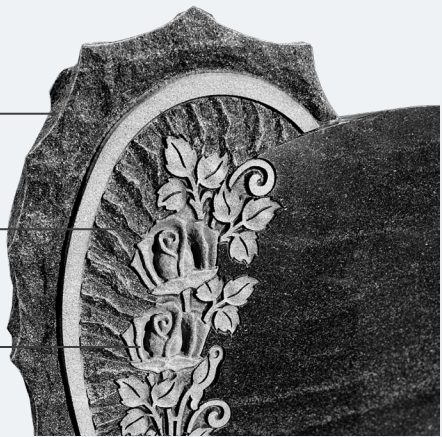
BLACK MIST | POLISH FRONT, BACK, & TOP | ROCK PITCH BORDER



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EDGE

STARBURST

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Tiffany Finish

The Tiffany finish is a finely textured, non-reflective surface with a soft, elegant look. It enhances the natural beauty of the stone while reducing glare and helping to hide minor wear over time.

Also known as a memo, steeled, or dusted finish, it offers a perfect balance between smoothness and subtle texture.

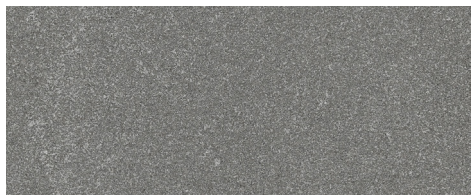


Best for

- Contemporary or understated designs
- Areas with strong sunlight
- Those wanting a softer visual effect

Benefits

- Reduces glare
- Conceals minor wear
- Adds depth and character
- Adds contrast when paired with other finishes



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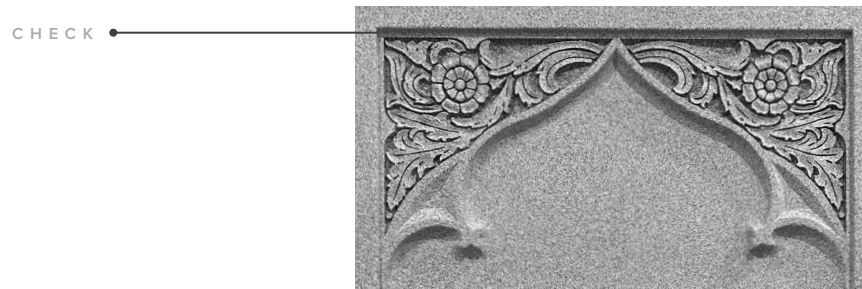
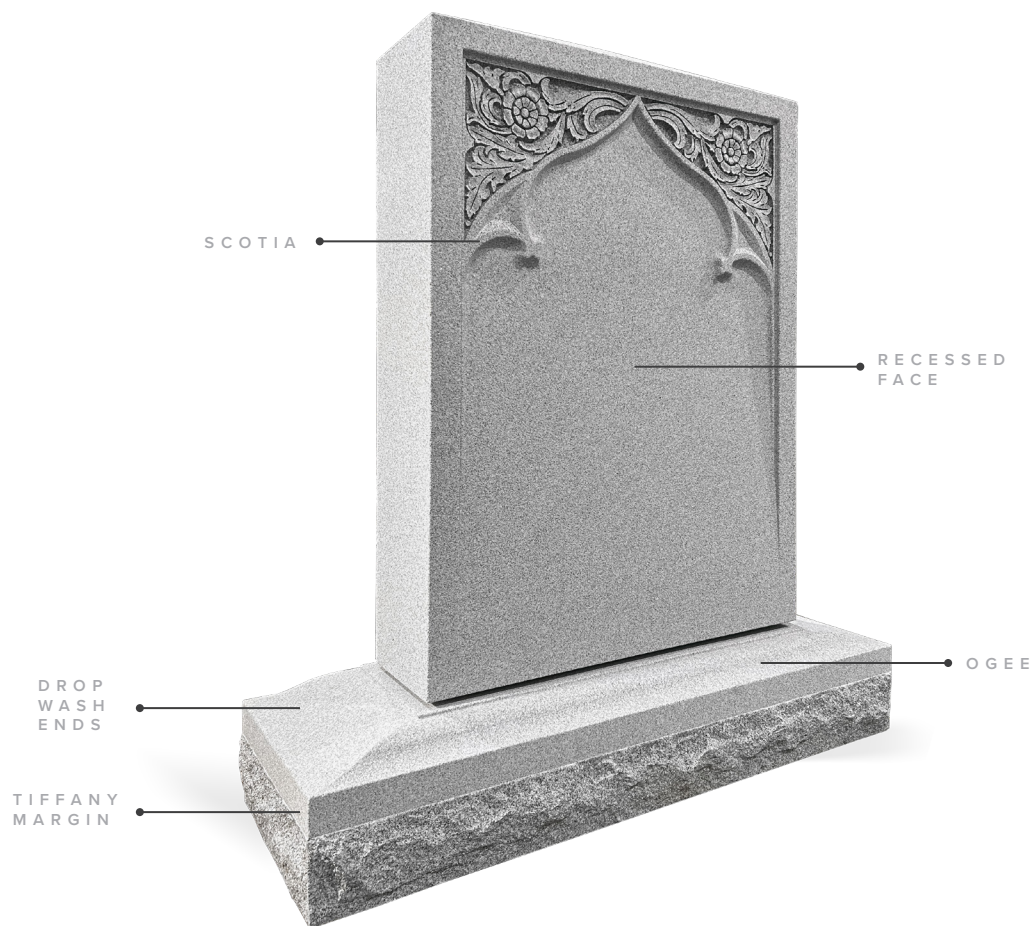


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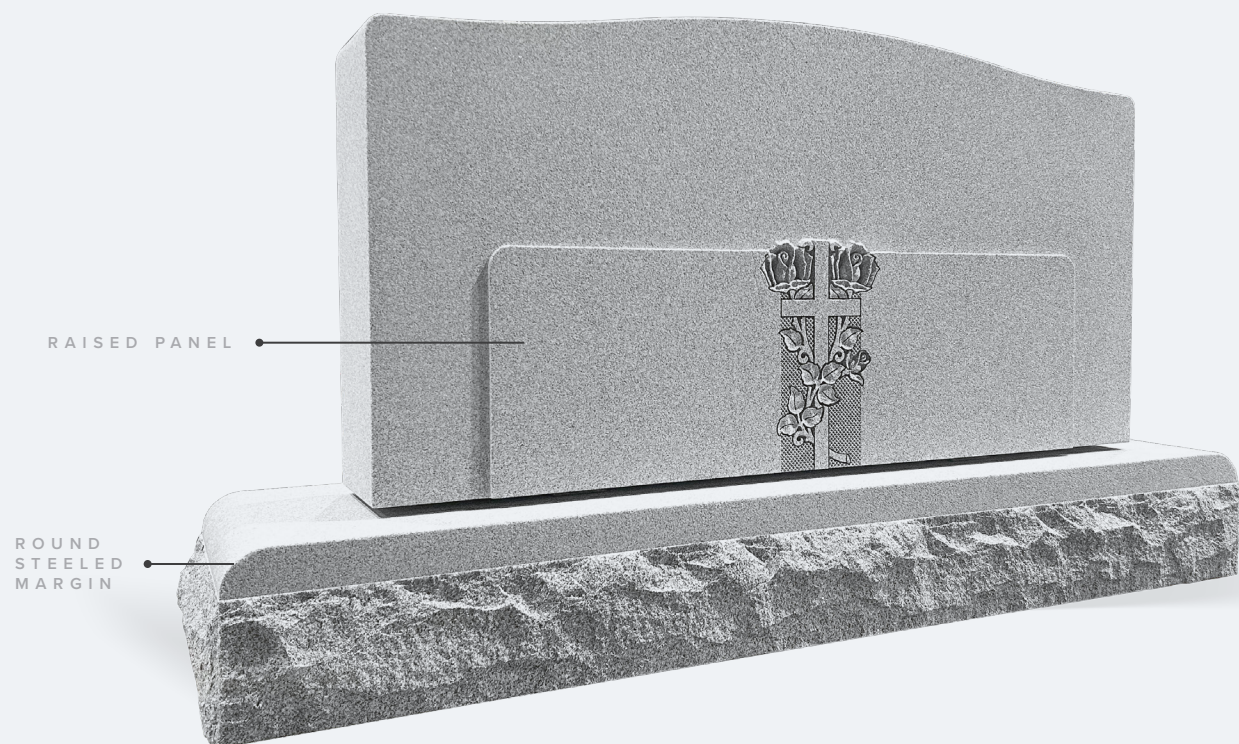


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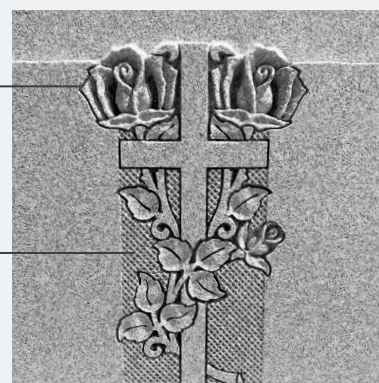


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Rock Pitch Finish

With its rough, hand-crafted texture, rock pitch highlights granite in its most natural form. It brings out the stone's raw beauty and creates a strong, enduring presence.

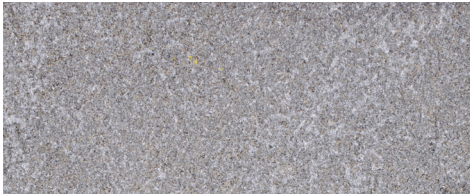


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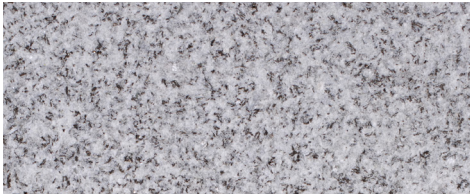
- Rustic or traditional styles
- Outdoor settings with heavy exposure
- Designs that emphasize natural stone

Benefits

- Extremely durable
- Low maintenance
- Unique, organic appearance



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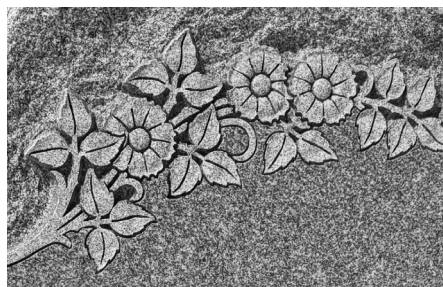


SCALLOPED
EDGE

ROCK PITCH
FACE

POLISHED
FINISH

BLUE GRAY | POLISH 2 | BRP | ROCK FACE SCALLOPED ENDS



NORTH AMERICAN PINK | POLISH 2 | BRP | ROCK PITCH BORDER



How To Choose

Selecting the right finish comes down to a few key considerations.

1. Style

Do you prefer polished elegance or natural texture? You can choose polished finishes to achieve a smooth reflective appearance, a tiffany finish that showcases the stone's natural beauty, or a rock pitch finish with rough edges for a rustic charm. Combining all three can create a beautiful contrast, all using the same material.

Each finish offers its own unique appeal. By considering your preferred style, the environment where the memorial will be placed, and the level of maintenance you're comfortable with, you can choose an option that not only reflects your loved one's personality, but also creates a lasting, meaningful tribute suited for its surroundings.





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WILLIAM H.
FEBRUARY 1, 1930
JUNE 3, 1971

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2. Environment

Will the memorial be placed in an area with strong sunlight or changing weather conditions? The surrounding environment plays an role in how a memorial will be experienced over time. Natural elements like sunlight, rain, snow, and seasonal temperature shifts can enhance the character of the stone, and selecting the right granite finish helps ensure its beauty and longevity are preserved for years to come.

For example, polished finishes reflect light and highlight the stone's natural color and detail, but in areas with direct sunlight, they may create glare that can make inscriptions harder to read at certain times of day.

In contrast, textured finishes like a Tiffany or rock pitch surface reduce glare and can offer better visibility in bright conditions, while also helping to mask dust.

By considering the environment, families can choose a granite finish that not only looks beautiful on day one, but continues to endure well and remain readable for generations to come.





KUSHNER

HOWARD

DEC. 24, 1956



"GUESS HOW MUCH I LOVE YOU
I LOVE YOU RIGHT UP
TO THE MOON AND BACK".

3. Maintenance

One of the benefits of granite is its natural durability and ability to stand the test of time with minimal care. When selecting a finish, it's helpful to consider how you'd like your memorial to look and feel over the years.

A polished finish offers a smooth, refined surface that's easy to clean and maintain. Its natural shine enhances the beauty of the stone, and with occasional light cleaning, it continues to look vibrant and well-kept.

Textured finishes, such as tiffany (memo) or rock pitch, offer a more relaxed, natural appearance. These finishes tend to disguise dust and natural elements, allowing the memorial to maintain its beauty with very little upkeep.

No matter the finish, granite is designed to stand the test of time. By choosing a style that aligns with your preferences, you can feel confident knowing your memorial will remain a lasting and beautiful tribute for generations.





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By considering style, environment, and maintenance, you can confidently choose a finish that reflects your loved one, suits its surroundings, and will remain beautiful for years to come.

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