

The Chapel of St. Gabriel the Archangel at Highland Cemetery, Norwood, Massachusetts



The Chapel of St. Gabriel the Archangel has been an historic site since 1903 when it was commissioned and donated to the town by Lewis and Anna Day. The chapel was dedicated to the memory of their parents, Joseph and Hannah Rhoades Day, and Lyman and Melinda Guild Smith, who lived in the village of South Dedham before it was incorporated as the Town of Norwood.

Having fallen into disrepair, the neo-gothic structure was recently restored with funds provided by the people of Norwood. In 2017, Town Meeting members voted to appropriate \$1.1 million for the building's rehabilitation. A year later, an additional \$400,000 was approved – Norwood's first use of their Community Preservation Act monies – and on May 17, 2019, after eight months of extensive, specialized work, the chapel was officially reopened.

The Chapel of St. Gabriel the Archangel is once again available for small burial, cremation, or memorial services. Its seating capacity is 40 and it is free of charge.

**If you have any questions, or would like to use the chapel, please contact Paul Ranalli, Cemetery Foreman, at:
cemetery@norwoodma.gov, or
call 781-762-1149.**

