

## HSUS Releases List of Humane Options for Disposal of Horse Remains

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The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) released a national list of humane resources for horse owners making end-of-life arrangements for their equine companions.

"Providing a humane, dignified death for your horse is simply responsible horse ownership," said Keith Dane, the HSUS director of equine protection. "No one likes to think about the death of a beloved companion, but planning ahead is key to understanding your options. This resource list gives horse owners the information they need to plan effectively."

The list includes state-by-state information on low-cost euthanasia programs, equine crematories, horse cemeteries, rendering facilities and landfills. State agriculture and veterinary contacts and state regulations are also included.

A recent survey of equine veterinarians and carcass disposal service providers indicated it costs about \$300 for humane euthanasia and carcass disposal. In most parts of the country, this cost is equal to or less than the cost of one month's care. With proper care, horses can live well into their 20s and 30s. The latest available data shows there are more than 9 million horses in the United States, making this resource a valuable tool for the millions of Americans involved with horses.

The Humane Society of the United States is providing this list because, due to variations in laws and the availability of services across the country, horse owners often don't know their options when it comes to disposing of their horse's remains. With hundreds of listings for service providers across the country, this tool will ease the burden of seeking out disparate sources of information. It is expected that the list will grow over time, as the public and service providers become aware of this resource. Vendors who wish to have their information added to the list should contact Marika O'Brien at [mobrien@hsus.org](mailto:mobrien@hsus.org).

This resource is part of The Humane Society of the United States' Horses: Companions for Life program. The program aims to educate the general public and new, prospective, and current horse owners about responsible horse ownership and companionship. Published last year, "The Humane Society of the United States Complete Guide to Horse Care" is the keystone of the program.

## New York

State Veterinarian: Dr. John P. Huntley, [john.huntley@agmkt.state.ny.us](mailto:john.huntley@agmkt.state.ny.us)

USDA Cooperative Extension Service: [www.csrees.usda.gov/Extension/](http://www.csrees.usda.gov/Extension/)

**State Regulations:** [www.town.southampton.ny.us/DeptDirectorygallery/Animal/Cruelty/art26.htm#377](http://www.town.southampton.ny.us/DeptDirectorygallery/Animal/Cruelty/art26.htm#377)

Deceased Animal Disposal Laws: N.Y. Agric. & Mkts. Law § 377. Disposal of dead animals

(1) The carcasses of large domestic animals, including but not limited to horses, cows, sheep, swine, goats and mules, which have died otherwise than by slaughter, shall be buried at least three feet below the surface of the ground or otherwise disposed of in a sanitary manner by the owner of such animals, whether the carcasses are located on the premises of such owner or elsewhere. Such disposal shall be completed within seventy-two hours after the owner is directed to do so by any peace officer, acting pursuant to his special duties, police officer, or by a designated representative of the commissioner.

(2) Notwithstanding section forty-one of this chapter, any violation of this section shall constitute a violation. This section shall not apply to animal carcasses used for experimental or teaching purposes.

### Euthanasia Programs:

Cornell University  
College of Veterinary Medicine  
Ithaca, NY 14853-6401  
607-253-3100  
[www.cornell.edu](http://www.cornell.edu)

### Equine Cemetery Services:

Angel View Pet Cemetery & Crematory  
471 Wareham Street  
Middleboro, MA 02346  
508-947-4103  
1-800-287-0066

### Equine Crematory Services:

Abbey Glen Pet Memorial Services  
187 Route 94 South  
Lafayette, NJ 07848  
1-800-972-3118  
[www.abbeyglen.com](http://www.abbeyglen.com)

Ashes to Ashes Pet Cremation (serves the Continental U.S.)  
22331 590<sup>th</sup> Street  
Pomeroy, IA 50575  
712-358-2600  
[www.ncn.net/~scottdev](http://www.ncn.net/~scottdev)

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CSW Farms Crematorium & Memorial  
8651 Riebel Road  
Galloway, OH 43119  
614-879-8200  
[www.cswfarms.com](http://www.cswfarms.com)

Day & Night Animal Recovery  
P.O. Box 205  
Long Valley, NJ 07853  
908-876-3341

Memorial Pet Care (serves the Continental U.S.)  
654 E. King Street  
Meridian, ID 83642  
208-887-7669  
[www.memorialpetcare.com](http://www.memorialpetcare.com)

Pet Crematory Agency  
164 Cabot Street  
West Babylon, NY 11704  
631-293-2929  
[www.petcrematoryagency.com](http://www.petcrematoryagency.com)

Regency Forest Pet Memorial Park  
760 Middle Country Road  
Middle Island, NY 11953  
631-345-0600  
[www.regencyforest.com](http://www.regencyforest.com)

**Rendering/Carcass Disposal:**

Baker Commodities  
2268 Browncroft Boulevard  
Rochester, NY 14625  
585-482-1880

Day & Night Animal Recovery  
P.O. Box 205  
Long Valley, NJ 07853  
908-876-3341

M & S Services  
59 N. Golfwood Avenue  
Penns Grove, NJ 08069  
800-354-9359

Hogan's Dead Stock Service  
278 Spring Street  
Fort Plain, NY 13339-3937  
518-993-2171

Southern Tier Hide & Tallow, Inc.  
3385 Lower Maple Avenue  
Elmira, NY 14901-9513  
607-734-3661

**Landfills that Accept Equine Carcasses:**

\* Waste Management ® accepts equine carcasses at some but not all locations. To find out if your local Waste Management location will take horse carcasses, please contact them: [www.wm.com](http://www.wm.com); 800-963-4776