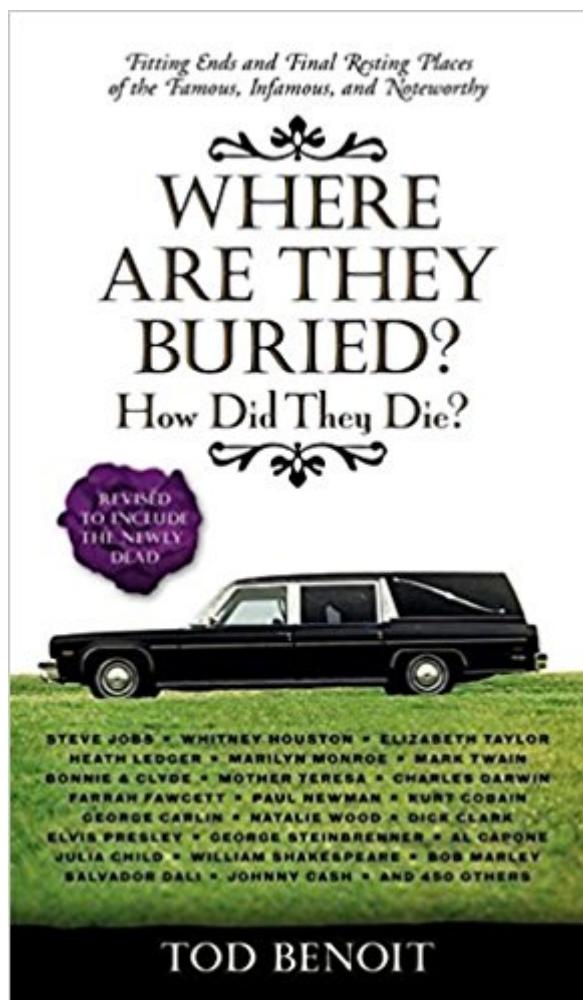


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Where Are They Buried?: How Did They Die? Fitting Ends And Final Resting Places Of The Famous, Infamous, And Noteworthy



Synopsis

The bestselling guide to the lives, deaths, and final resting places of our most enduring cultural icons, now revised and completely updated. *Where Are They Buried?* has directed legions of fervent fans and multitudes of the morbidly curious to the graves, monuments, memorials, and tombstones of the nearly 500 celebrities and antiheroes included in the book. By far the most complete and well-organized guide on the subject, every entry features an entertaining capsule biography full of little-known facts, a detailed description of the death, and step-by-step directions to the grave, including not only the name of the cemetery but the exact location of the gravesite and how to reach it. The book also provides a handy index of grave locations organized by state, province, and country to make planning a grave-hopping road trip easy and efficient.

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Customer Reviews

Tod Benoit is an entrepreneur who has logged more than 10,000 miles driving around the country in search of notable graves.

I just finished reading *Where Are They Buried: How Did They Die? Fitting Ends and Final Resting Places of etc.* by Tod Benoit. The enormously-long title perfectly describes this entertaining nonfiction book. Some may think the book is a bit morbid, but I found it endlessly fascinating. Maybe that's because my mother was a genealogist who taught me that cemeteries were pretty interesting places. You see, I grew up in Louisiana where above-ground tombs were rather commonplace. It's the high water table that makes in-ground burial not an option in a lot of towns. So as a child, I

tromped through cemeteries while my mother wrote down dates and read epitaphs aloud. I learned to appreciate tomb art and architecture which, for wealthier "residents" had been commissioned from the most important architects and artists of the particular generation. Yet, the poorest "residents" had grave ornamentation that touches the heart. I remember marbles embedded in a century-old plain square of what looked like baked clay tile that marked the grave of a child. It may sound macabre, but I've visited cemeteries in lots of cities and small towns -- and in countries to which I've traveled. Because of my early exposure to the history inherent in the cemeteries where my ancestors are housed, I never considered a burial ground as spooky or creepy or even depressing. In fact, there's a certain peaceful quietude to be found in a cemetery. When I saw this book, I knew I had to read it if only to satisfy my curiosity about whether Jim Morrison was really in his grave in Paris. Benoit gives the myth of Morrison according to conspiracy theorists. Whether or not he's in the grave in Paris in the Pere-Lachaise Cemetery is up for debate. Regardless, the grave draws a million visitors a year, and, I understand, most Parisians consider it bothersome. (I'd have gone if I'd had time when I was in Paris.) From Aaliyah to Warren Zevon, from Buddy Holly to Kurt Cobain, from rappers to Elvis, from Lombardi and Tom Landry to Walter Payton, Lou Gehrig, and Shoeless Joe Jackson, from Heath Ledger to Marilyn Monroe, from Truman Capote to Norman Mailer, this book covers all who were significant in their respective fields of endeavor. The book gives a short entertaining biography of the person's life, tells how they died, sometimes gives the epitaph, and tells where they're buried, with directions on how to get to the grave site. Although the names in each category aren't listed under the chapter headings, there is a clickable Index in alphabetical order. Loved the book! Like the epitaph on the tomb of Mel Blanc, the man of 1,000 voices, says: "That's all, Folks!"

If you are interested in learning how famous people died and where they are buried you will want to check out this fantastic book. This is a unique and informative guide that can also be used as the ultimate reference source about famous people and their final resting place. This giant 592 page volume is so interesting that I could not stop turning the pages. This book not only has hundreds of famous people listed, it also has a short biography, how long they lived, what they died of and finally where they are buried. It also includes directions to their burial site. Reading this book made me realize how the reality of how short life is for all of us. Famous or infamous, we all share two things in common. We were born and we will die, some sooner than others. This volume is organized into various topics to make it easier to look up the people you are most interested in finding out where they are buried. However, I suggest you read this book from cover to cover like I did to fully

appreciate all it has to offer readers. The introduction provides some basic information and moves on to famous people in Gen-X standouts, the baby boomer icons, senior memories, sport heroes, television & film personalities, original women, greats of literature, philosophy & the arts, heroes of rock & blues, popular music icons, famous personalities & infamous newsmakers and notable figures from history. This is a book that will be of interest to anyone who enjoys a good read. Rating: 5 Stars. Joseph J. Truncale (Author: The Samurai Soul: An old warrior's poetic tribute).

I liked this book much better than I thought I would. It's a great reference book and packs much more information into its 500+ pages than how to find celebrities' graves. I have not gone into any cemetaries using this book as yet and actually doubt that I will. What I did find fascinating was the author's thumbnail biographies of each person's life, distilling down a lifetime into a few pages of pertinent facts. What I took away from the book, what really remained with me after I read it, was that life can be short and the end can be unpredictable, so it's best to get on with it and live your dreams now (and stay out of small planes). Read in the Kindle Unlimited Program.

I was interested in many of the peoples' lives and how they died whom Mr. Benoit mentioned in his book. I can, however tell you some of his directions to their final resting places were not correct (as I am familiar where three in particular are buried), If someone were to choose to go to those cemeteries it would be impossible to find the cemetery given his directions let alone the location of the grave. This leads me to question if many of the final resting places were correct but if you are interested in trivia about popular persons and a short story of the last years of their lives this would be the book for you.

It was not quite what I expected. The book clearly tells you where these people died, how they died and where they are buried, but I guess I wanted a little more background on the individuals they were discussing. It was an okay read but not high on my list of books to recommend to run out and purchase.

After reading this book I could definitely tell that the author put a lot of time and research into this book. It was detailed, well-written, and very interesting. It is something I will wish to read more than just once and can be used as a reference quide, as well.

A hard to put down book about many celebrities, good and bad, in an excellent format that makes

for easy and enjoyable reading. A brief history of their life is given, how they died and where they are buried or what became of their ashes. Even those I wasn't familiar with were still interesting. Definitely a book I'll reread again.

fun and easy to read....i have enjoyed finding out brief histories and cause of death, as well as where various well known people have been buriedwell written

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