KEY WEST CEMETERY



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Key West Cemetery



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After seeing some of the city's most colorful and quirky characters on Duval Street and in Mallory Square, take a moment to visit the Key West Cemetery, where it is said that close to 100,000 original Key Westers are buried. It's an excursion that offers history, at the bast of lighthearted humor. Located on Solares Hill, which is the highest point of elevation on the island, the cemetery opened in 1847 after bodies from the original cemetery washed ashore during a storm. Stroll through the 19 acres and see if you can find the headstone that reads "I told you

I was sick", or "At least I know Where He's Sleeping Tonight". Then look for the various monuments and family plots that are marked by amazing statues and memorials. There are several different sections of the cemetery, Jewish, Catholic and Cuban, that distinguish the many cultures and backgrounds that share and love Key West. There is also a section for the victims of the battleship Maine. You'll notice that the newer graves are actually above-ground, it is said that this is because the cemetery ran out of space underground. On any day, a visit to the cemetery is most out of the ordinary; a kind of living museum dedicated to the past and illuminating the present.

For a diverse assortment of food and beverages, gifts and even treasure, be sure to take a walk down Duval Street. Wander around in Mel Fisher's Treasure Sales; it's filled with dazzling gems and jewels that are on display and for sale. Visit the Wyland Gallery to see the work of the famous Florida artist who captures the beauty of Florida's marine and wildlife. Indulge in excellent cuisine and see the many sights that make this section of Key West one of the most popular.