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## Yolo County

## District 4

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## Explore a Part of District 4 The Davis Cemetery

1855 is the date of the earliest grave marker in the Davis Cemetery, which is located at (address) on land originally purchased by Col. Joseph B. Chiles. By 1958, the Catholic Diocese had deeded to the Davis Cemetery District three acres of cemetery land originally donated by the Chiles family. The acquisition of 20 additional acres, purchased from George Chiles between 1962 and 1964, is expected to meet the needs of our community for the next

twenty years. The Davis Cemetery has always been known for its charm and focus on creating and maintaining an inviting space for remembrance, contemplation, and healing. In addition, Davis Cemetery staff has been dedicated to enhancing the cemetery's ability to memorialize the history of Davis, its people, and the original Central Valley landscape through art, architecture and design. The Davis Cemetery District is not only a peaceful final resting place, but is also an active center of local history, celebrating the diverse cultural heritage of the people of Davis.



Meet the Cemetery Staff and Board Members



**Joseph Cattarin**, who has been with the District since 1981, is the superintendent. Joe's gentle demeanor and excellent sense of aesthetics have helped to shape the public "face" of the cemetery and made him a beloved favorite among visitors over the years.

**Joe Finkleman** is the community outreach director (in addition to designing the annual and perennial beds, swale, tree and meadow plantings). He works with volunteer groups, public events, and presentations to community organizations.

**Ken Troth** is the grounds foreman. Under Ken's direction, you'll find seasonal help and volunteers maintaining the beautiful look of our grounds when they are not preparing grave sites.

**Susan Finkleman** is the office manager. She is happy to assist you with plot sales, interment arrangements, location of an interred person, and most questions you may have.



Dennis Dahlin, Marilyn Mansfield, Ted Puntillo, Dennis Dingemans, Val Dolcini

The Davis Cemetery District Board members are legally authorized to provide oversight and make decisions for standard cemetery functions, including, land acquisition, cemetery maintenance, and grounds keeping. They also conduct activities attendant to burials and disinterment. They also oversee the finance services through property taxes, the sale of burial plots, charges for openings and removals, and setting of markers, along with raising money through gifts or donations.

## Davis Cemetery Events...

**Memorial Day:** Observed annually on the last Monday of May, Memorial Day is a day to remember the men and women who died while serving in the United States Armed Forces. The Davis Cemetery welcomes you to attend this important day along with your family and honor those who have died with a special annual ceremony.

**Day of the Dead:** In many countries around the world, family members and friends share a meal and offering in remembrance of departed loved ones on November 1 and 2. Known in Mexico as Day of the Dead, or "*Dia de los Muertos*," this is a happy occasion. This year, the public is invited to celebrate Day of the Dead, at an afternoon picnic at the Davis Cemetery. Please bring your favorite dish to eat and come and picnic with us on Saturday, October 27th from 1:00 to 3:00 PM.

**Veterans Day:** Observed annually on November 11 honoring our armed service veterans. The Davis Cemetery welcomes you to recognize the dedication and sacrifice our veterans.

**Gallery 1855:** The office of the Davis Cemetery has also transformed itself into an art gallery, hosting a number of fine artists since 2009. Gallery 1855 is open weekdays between 9 AM and 3 PM stop by and meet the artists on the second Sunday afternoon of every month between 1 PM and 4 PM.

Captured in a picture













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