

# Lockerbie Air Disaster Memorial and Garden of Remembrance



The initial memorial at Dryfesdale Cemetery consisted of three simple granite stones placed in a Memorial Garden. In January 1989 a black casket containing the ashes of unidentified victims was interred at this site, commemorating 17 people never found.



In the months following, families placed memorial plaques in the area as Annandale and Eskdale developed plans for a memorial which would commemorate all 270 victims of the air disaster. The Memorial, made from a 4 ton block of granite, was integrated into part of the cemetery wall. It was dedicated on 21st December 1989, one year after the disaster. It is a focal point for victims' family members, many of whom have added personal memorial plaques.

There is, every year, a commemorative event at the Memorial on 21st December. It is always well attended and Pan Am employees have always marked the loss of their colleagues with a floral tribute (pictured left).







The first official personal memorial to be dedicated at Dryfesdale Cemetery, after the Memorial and remembrance garden were established, commemorates Steven Lee Butler.



Following the dedication of the main memorial, many victims' families chose to add a personal memorial on the adjoining cemetery wall or in the Memorial Garden. Until COVID-19 travel restrictions, there were regular visitors from overseas, particularly the United States.

All of the victims are also remembered in the memorial book - *On Eagles' Wings*. A copy is available to view in the Dryfesdale Lodge Visitor Centre. An electronic PDF is available, courtesy of the Syracuse University Pan Am Flight 103 / Lockerbie Air Disaster archives at -

[panam103.syr.edu/pdf/on\\_eagles\\_wings.pdf](http://panam103.syr.edu/pdf/on_eagles_wings.pdf)

*On Eagles' Wings* was compiled in remembrance of the victims by Georgia Nucci, whose son Christopher Jones was aboard the flight. The information in the book was collected from the victims' families or was gathered from obituaries.

Some pages were left blank following family wishes.



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