



# Artistic Urns, Inc.

When Ordinary Won't Do

This book is dedicated to the team of talented people at our studio. Without this amazing group of people my dream could not exist. It is also dedicated to my loving wife and children. And finally to the families we serve and to the funeral directors that share our passion to bringing honor to those we have lost.

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## It's all about Honor

Honor Loved Ones

Honor Life

Honor Memories

Our why became clear as we looked back at the stories families shared with us.

We have always felt that the urn is a significant personal object, to simply be the right vessel to shelter and honor your loved one.

We strive to create one-of-a-kind works of art designed to touch the family and honor the life.



## Born from Personal Experience

The impetus for my endeavor came years ago when I was helping to choose an urn for my mother's ashes. She was a unique southern lady with a keen sense of beauty. We felt that what was available would not have been acceptable in her eyes. I believe an urn should reflect the person and be a lasting memorial.

*Clark McMullen, Founder & Artist, Artistic Urns, Inc.*

## Crafted Skills

Over the past 25 years Clark has worked and studied with some of the world's finest wood turners, and is proud to call many of them friends.

His work has been displayed in many private collections and galleries around the world.

At the same time he has spent tens of thousands of hours at the lathe honing and perfecting his skills as a wood turner.

"It is always my goal to create a form or shape that will reveal the natural beauty of the wood."



## Made by Hand

In today's industrialized mechanized society, mass produced objects have lost all trace of the human hand and spirit.

Everything we create comes from the heart, the eye and the hand. Each urn affirms the human element.

Turning is like a dance . . . You have to work with your partner, you have to love the material.

This collaboration with the wood grants new life to the material.



## Celebrating the Material

Walking  
in a grove  
of trees with  
the light coming  
through the canopy is  
like being in a cathedral.

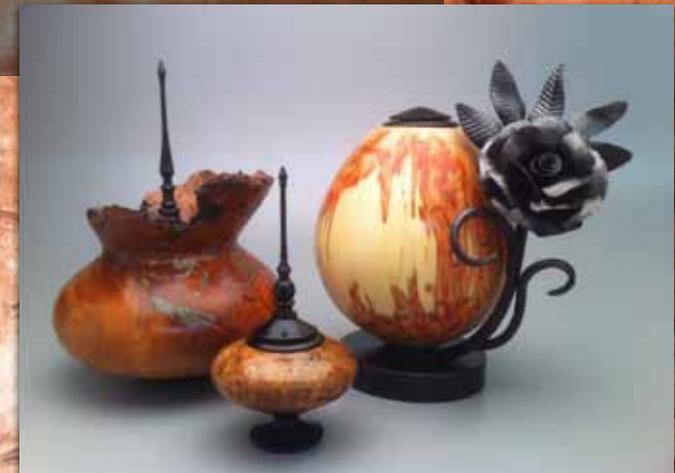
The trees soaring majesty  
provides us peace and serenity.

A living material witnessing the  
journeys of generations.

**The stories they could tell . . .**

## The Warmth of Wood

We strive to celebrate the beauty found in the wood itself. It is most often the defects that offer the best opportunity to do this. The knots, bark inclusions, and the burley grain can reveal the real character in each piece. It is as unique as a fingerprint—no two pieces of wood are alike. Each with its own story.





## Let The Families Speak

We get to witness so many powerfully positive experiences in our pursuit of honoring the lives of loved ones.



*My Dear Clark McMullen,*

*My husband came home to me last Thursday evening. It has been a very emotional weekend however the exquisite maple burl urn that you have created has honored him in the best way possible. You have treated him and me in the most dignified way possible and I am deeply grateful. Your work is of the highest order and your customer relations are simply humanitarian.*

*Thank you so very much, thank you!*

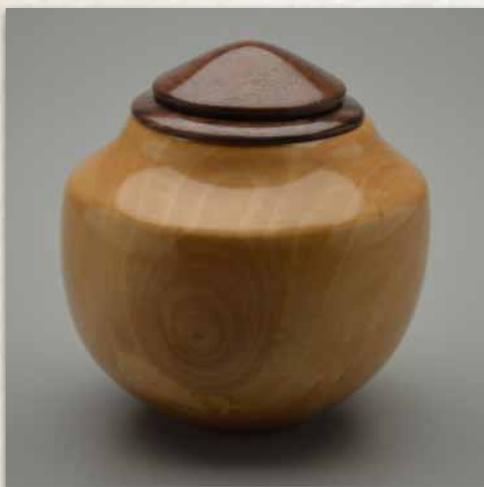
*Mr. McMullen,*

*What we received today is more than we could have ever dreamed. To see dad's whittling piece incorporated into his 'new home' brought tears to mom's eyes.*

*Thank you for helping us through this trying time, and giving us something we will cherish forever.*

*Sincerely...*





Clark,

*About a month ago I brought my wife and kids over to select an urn for our dog. We were there for 2 hours on a Tuesday night. I just wanted to say thanks for taking so much time with us.*

*I wouldn't have expected that would turn out to be such a great experience for all of us. The urn is now the nicest thing in our living room!*

Thanks ...

*I am so glad I found you!*

*Two years ago I moved to Wisconsin, and could not remember who my pets' urns were from. Luckily the local vet suggested I look up Artistic Pet Urns on the web, and there you are! This is my fourth pet urn from Artistic Urns, and every one is beautiful.*

*Thank you for being there again when I needed you.*



Artistic Urns,

*The acorns you sent are perfect for me and my boys to fulfill Bobby's wishes. The engravings were of all our favorite places. My desire is to take my sons to each of these destinations to scatter Bobby's ashes and relive these memories.*

*Thank you for making such a unique and memorable keepsake.*



*Dad was a dynamic person, always there to help or offer comfort with a warm understanding smile. I knew I had to find a way to honor him that was fitting for someone that cast such a long shadow. His final resting place had to be representative of his warmth and beauty with which he lived his life.*

*I found such a vessel from you, Clark. I cannot properly express how comforting it was to have you walk my family down this path.*

*Dad's Urn is beautiful beyond description and as Unique as my father was.*



A close-up, slightly angled view of the American flag, showing the stars and stripes. The flag is draped and has a soft, natural lighting. The stars are white on a dark blue field, and the stripes are red and white.

**Proudly American**

**We operate out of our studio in  
Cherokee County, Georgia.**

**100% Made in America**

Thank You for Serving



Honoring the Veteran with a bronze medallion top





# Held Securely

All Artistic Urns are held securely closed with a threaded top



Wood Threaded



Brass Threaded



Always Threaded



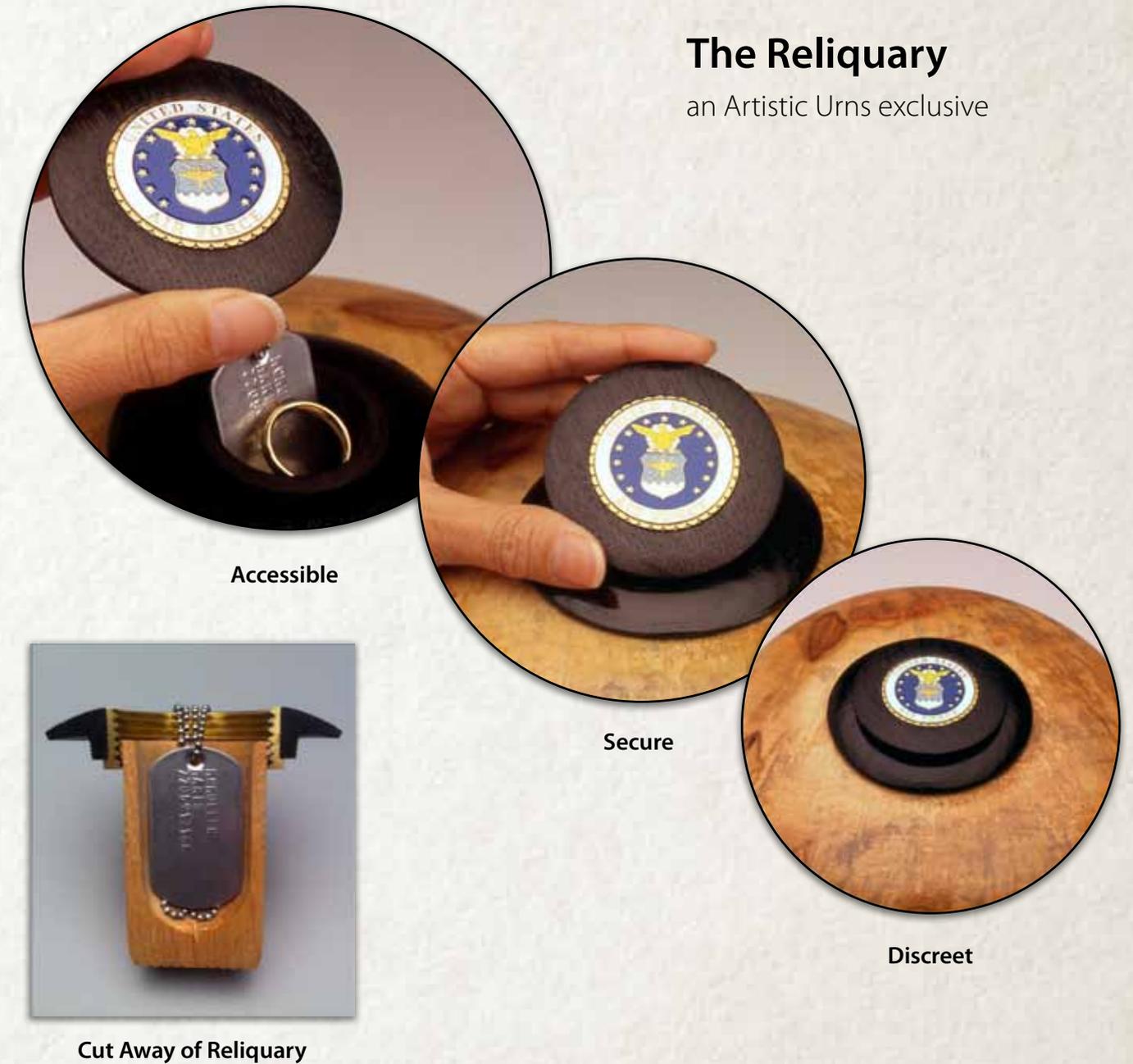
## Remember Them Forever



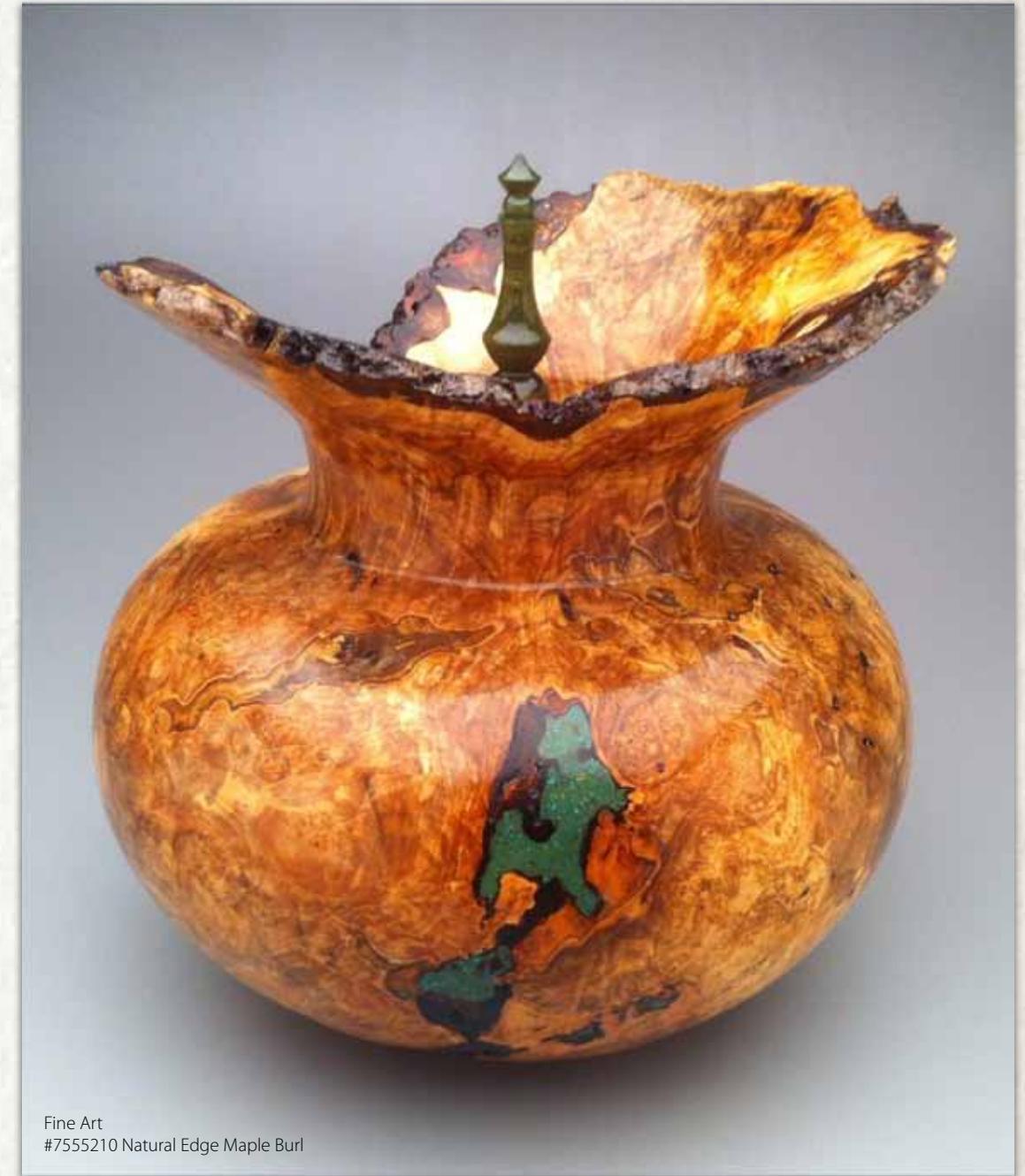
We offer a discreet chamber secured in the opening of the urn to store small remembrance items—The Reliquary.

This allows the family to keep cherished objects such as the wedding band or military ID tag separate from the remains.

Always close to your loved one and easily accessible.



# Honorable Mentions



Fine Art  
#7555210 Natural Edge Maple Burl





Fine Art  
#9111200 Hand-Carved Magnolia Blossom





Fine Art  
#7163225 Pecan in Forged Lilies



## Always Remember Why

It's all about Honor.

We strive to create one-of-a-kind works of art designed to touch the family and honor the life.

We hope that Artistic Urns has created an appropriate memorial for your loved one.

One that becomes part of *your* family story.

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