

## A fatal bicycle accident

In 1898 Miss Ina Murray Mackenzie, age 41, died in a bicycle accident in Suckley. A hymn board was carved and presented by two fellow woodworkers from the South Kensington School of Art & Woodcarving (which eventually became the Royal College of Art) in her memory. Her initials may be seen at the bottom of the board. She was secretary of Home Arts and Industries at the Albert Hall, Kensington.

Her grave may be found towards the back of the north graveyard and is perhaps the most interesting, and certainly the most unusual grave in the churchyard. It has a “graveboard”, clearly carved by her fellow workers. Graveboards are rare in England. The inscriptions are beautifully carved, and there are celtic wooden crosses at both ends.



The inscription reads:

*The memorial is erected by her sisters and carved by her fellow workers in loving remembrance  
Ina Murray Mackenzie born July 12<sup>th</sup> 1857, died  
August 27<sup>th</sup> 1898.*

*Through the grace and gate of death we may pass to  
our joyful resurrection. (on one side)*

*Through the grave and gate of death we only pass to  
our joyful resurrection. (on the other side)*