



Mourning pin for wearing during a funeral ceremony

Wearing the mourning pin as a 'corsage' identifies you to others as a close relation or friend of the deceased. The mourning pin can be made even more personal by using a photo.

The shape of the pin is borrowed from the piece of fabric that people used to wear on their sleeve in days gone by as a sign of mourning.

'It was quite informal, but fortunately we were instantly recognisable'



with ivy pattern



with genuine 'stone tear' pearls



photo can be used in both



MOURNING AND
REMEMBRANCE JEWELLERY

'United in loving memory'

These days, people no longer seem to wear any outward signs of grieving for a lost loved one. With her parlAmore mourning jewellery, the artist Helena van Essen has revived in a contemporary manner the age-old tradition of wearing something that symbolises our grief.

The use of a button from a garment belonging to the deceased or of some of their ashes is what gives this jewellery its intimate and personal character. Wearing the jewellery can make you feel connected to the deceased in a very unique way.



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parlAmore = parlare + amore = to speak + love = allowing your heart to speak



The mourning button as a sign of grief and remembrance

A button from an item of clothing belonging to the deceased is mounted on an onyx or jasper gemstone and then worn as a brooch, lapel pin or a pendant.



The buttons are interchangeable, also for other items like the ash-cabochon.

The stylish box in which the buttons can be kept contains photo mounts for portraits of the loved one to whom the button is dedicated.



button on onyx as lapel pin



button on jasper as brooch



ash-cabochon on onyx as pendant



in gold, on an onyx mourning button



*in patinated bronze,
on a jasper mourning button*

Ash-cabochon for mourning button or ring

The ash-cabochon can be used to hold some ash or a strand of hair. It is available in bronze, silver or gold and is finished off with a pearl.

It can be worn on a ring or on one of the parlAmore mourning button gemstones.

The ash-cabochon can be engraved with initials or a name to make it even more personal.

*'I love wearing it;
it is a real source of comfort.'*



on a ring