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Conversations with My Daughter Do animals have cemetery too?

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Driving on 29 South in Northern Virginia*

T: Dad, Dad, why is that place decorated?

Dad: which place? That field over there?

T: Yes, it's decorated with flowers.

Dad: It's a cemetery.

T: But it does not look like a cemetery.

Dad: It's a not a Christian cemetery.

T: How do you know dad?

Dad: There are no head stones.

T: I mean how do you know it's a cemetery?

Dad: It shows.

T: What kind of cemetery is it the?

Dad: I'm not sure. It could be an Islamic or it could be for all religions. It's hard to say.

T: Dad?

Dad: Yes sweet heart?

T: Do animals have cemetery too?

Dad: Most every one I know buried their pets in their back yards. But I'm sure there are pet cemeteries.

T: Like us! We buried the lady bug husband and wife in our back yard.

Dad: Yes we did. Have you visited their graves lately?

T: Yes I did. I put flowers on it when you were cleaning the leaves the other day.

Dad: I did not realize that. I wish you would ask me to join you.

T: That's Okay dad.

Dad: Some people also cremate their pets.

T: CREMATE? What is that?

Dad: They have them made to ashes.

T: How?

Dad: How do you make ash?

T: THEY BURN THEIR DOGS?

Dad: They use pet cremation services.

T: I SURE DON'T WANT TO BURN MY DOG!

Dad: Okay! You don't have to. It's their choice. It's not a bad idea, though.

T: Dad, did you have your dog cermiated?

Dad: Did I have my dog Cremated? No. It's "CREMATED" not cermiated.

T: I want to bury my dog in our back yard?

Dad: I'm not sure he is ready to die yet! Would you stop thinking about that; please?

T: If you cremate them, then how do they go to heaven? Dad, do animals go to the same heaven as humans?

Dad: I think so!

T: Did your dog go to the same heaven with mommy's daddy and mommy?

Dad: I Guess.

T: Dad, I want to go to heaven

Dad: Do you know what that means?

T: I want to go see mommy's daddy and mommy?

Dad: Going to heaven is not all that good.

T: But, Jesus went to heaven.



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Dad: This "Heaven" concept is very complicated. Going to heaven means not living! It means dying!

T: But Jesus did not die.

Dad: I know. But, most everyone else who is gone to heaven is dead.

T: I wish I could see mommy's mommy; and her daddy.

Dad: Don't make such wishes. Look at their pictures. Are you done with your heaven and hell questions?

T: Hell? What's "Hell" dad?
