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1 Back and white (transparent) photographs of the victims of the September 11, 2001 attacks in New York, Virginia, Pennsylvania and victims of the February 26, 1993 terrorist bombing of the World Trade Center embedded in cast glass tiles. Photographs to be chosen with discretion of family members.

a) Cast glass block with embedded black and white photograph of individual victim
b) Photograph with optional biographic information to be chosen in accordance with the family's wishes

MEANING THROUGH METAPHOR
Primary symbolic elements and connections:

Blue symbolizes:
Valor, wisdom, calm, peace, water, sky, harmony, trust, confidence, loyalty, quest for enlightenment, strength, co-operation, vigilance, perseverance and justice.

Braid symbolizes:
A connection of the threads of life, meaning different situations and personal characteristics are combined.

Cement symbolizes:
Strength and the ability to build things together with teamwork, the love that binds human beings of all countries, races and creeds.

Glass symbolizes:
Renewal and hope for new beginnings, the passage of light, clarity.

Grass symbolizes:
Peace, immortality, for it resurrects every spring, the enjoyment of simple pleasures.

Knot symbolizes:
Love, loyalty, friendship, duty, unity, commitment, the interconnectedness of aspects of life, the unbreakable intertwining bonds, justice, reason, and spirit.

Light symbolizes:
Understanding, emotional as well as intellectual, the love of the Eternal for you and your love for others, enlightened ideas and spirit, the gift of Peace, wisdom, loving and active compassion, drives away darkness, eternity.

Loop symbolizes:
The inexhaustible essence of the life force.

Mobius strip symbolizes:
Infinity, the endless road that covers two sides that at any point seem distinct but which eventually blend in to each other, the constant flow of movement and energy.

Mosaic symbolizes:
Connections of people and resources to make the entire community a better place for all, the bringing together of many diverse elements to produce a unique outcome.

Path symbolizes:
The journey.

Red symbolizes:
Energy, strength, physical existence, vitality, passion, love, heat, power, strength, hardness and valor.

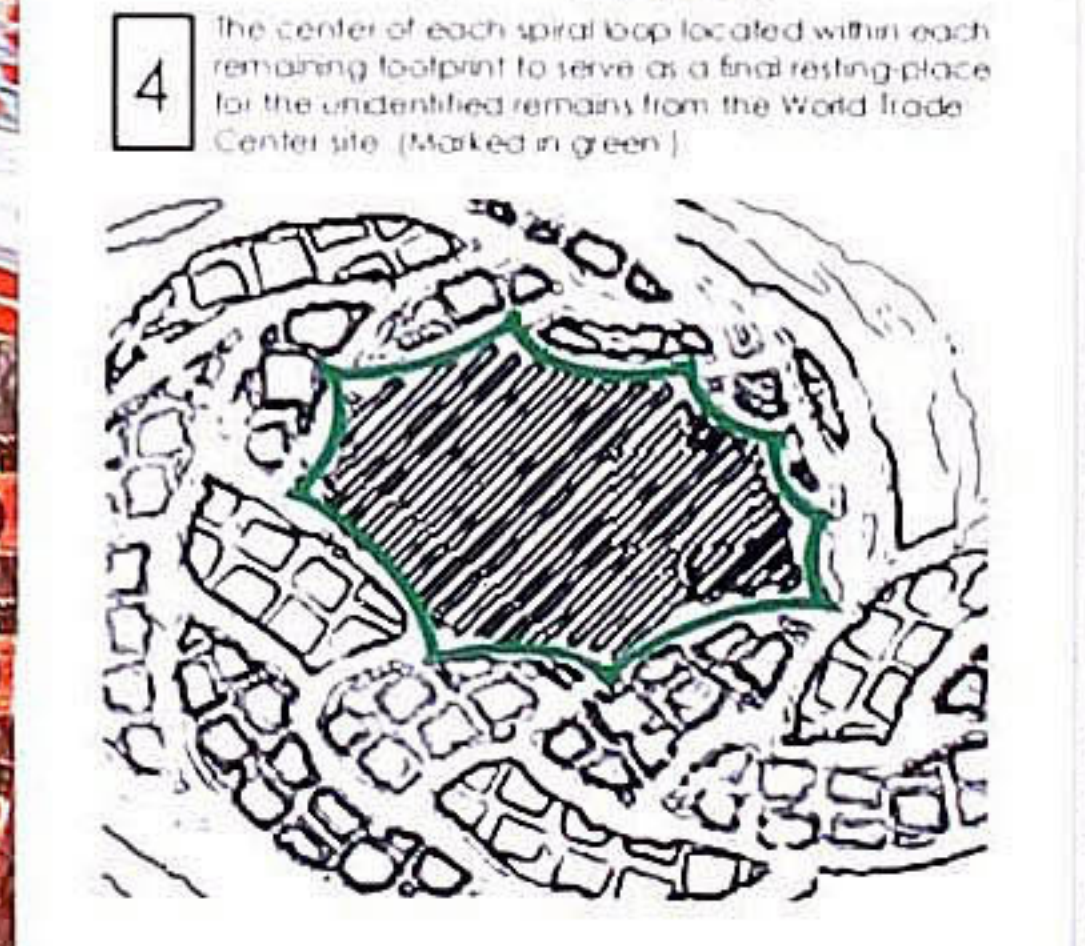
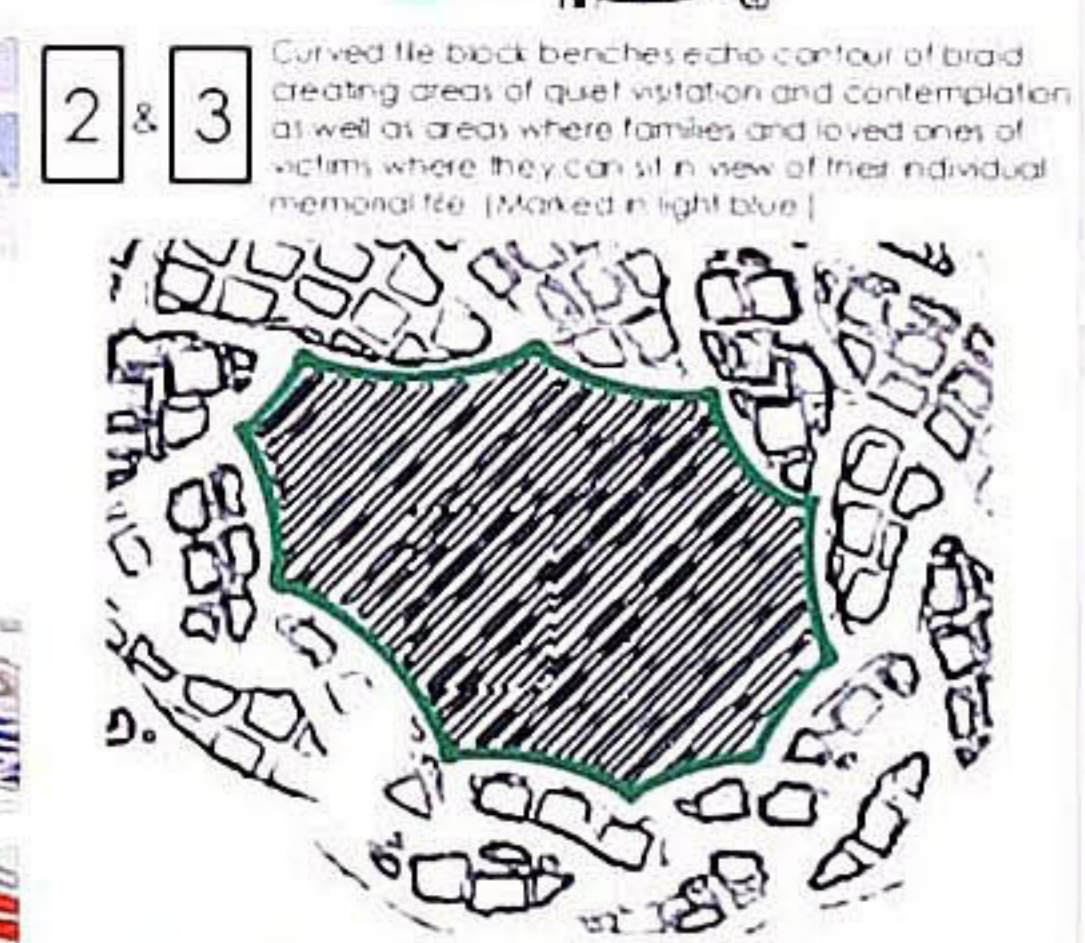
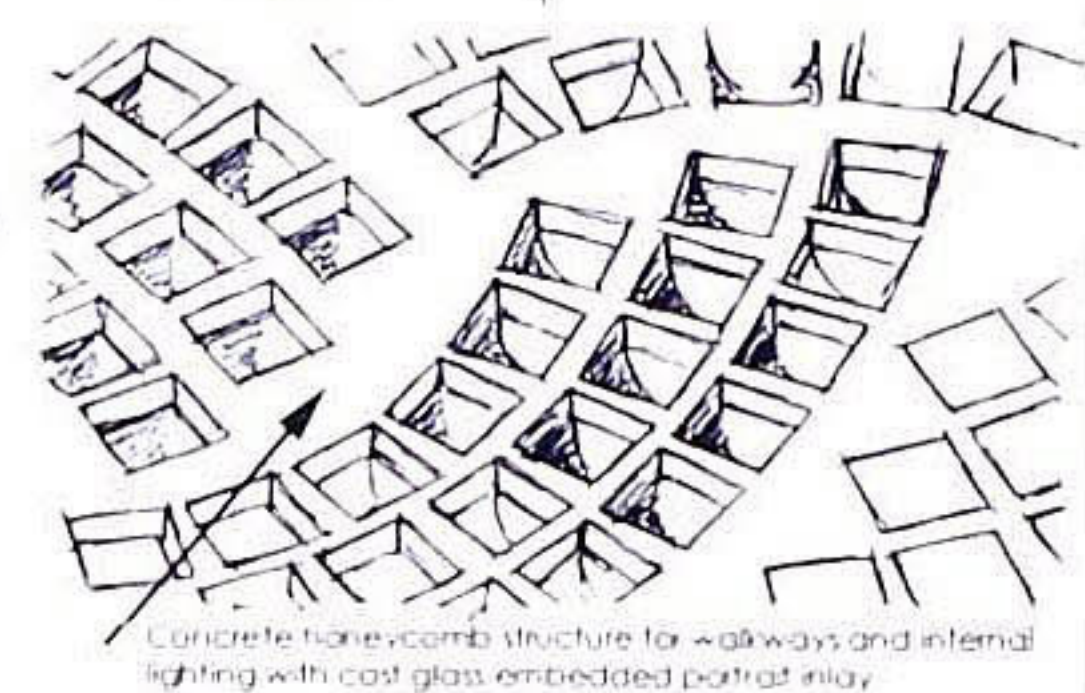
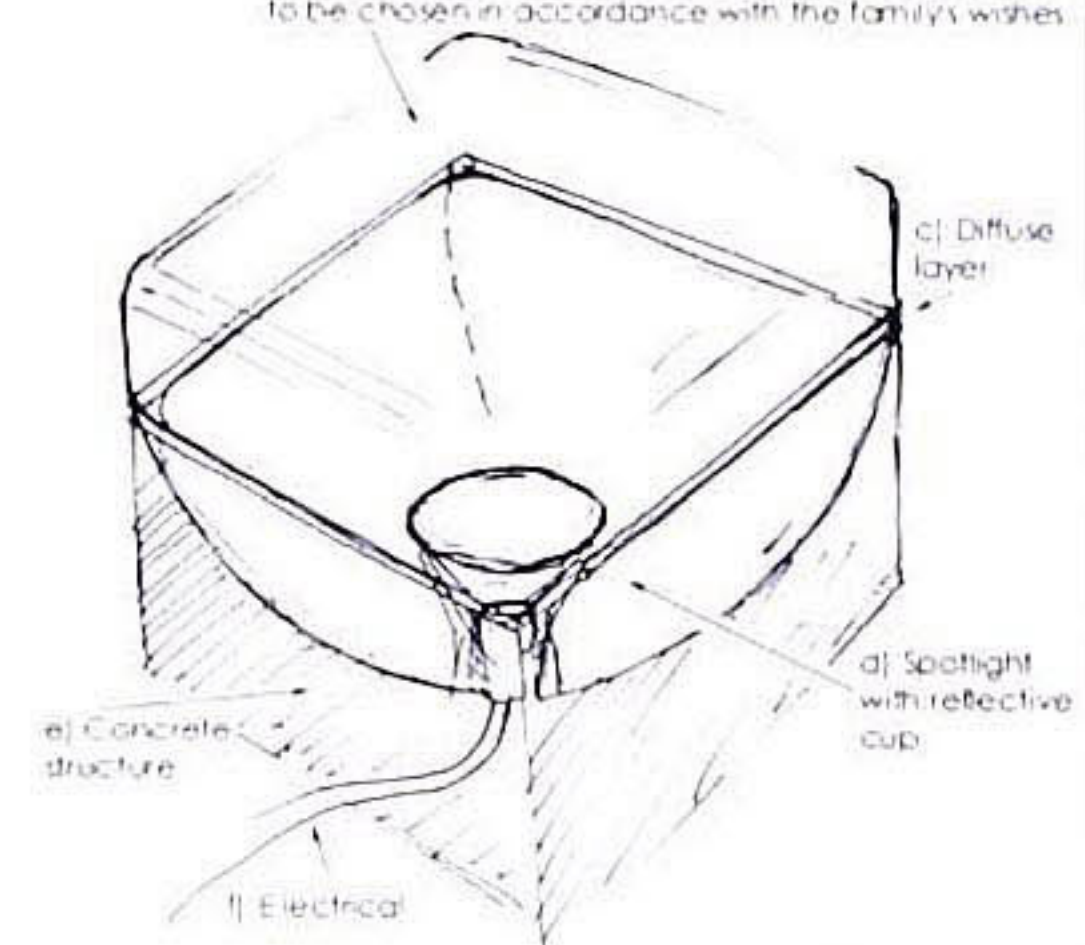
Spiral symbolizes:
The continuity of life and growth, the constant flow of nature's processes, transformation, the movement between light and darkness, the cosmos, power in the regeneration of life and eternity, the circling of the soul which eventually returns to the center or truth, the path that leads us into the center and back out again, the thread of life, a journey through progressive levels of experience, physical, mental and spiritual, the still center within, winding out, the spiral bathes the spiral back to its existence, complete balance - where heaven and earth are joined, the spiral leads us inward, cleansing and quieting our minds, the center point is a place of rest and reflection, the pathway out of the spiral provides the opportunity to integrate what has been discovered on the journey.

Spiral (doubled) symbolizes:
Is used to represent the equinoxes, when day and night are of equal length, each section of the spiral represents some stage of our lives, the stages take place over space and time, yet in our consciousness and memory we hold them together, we are our present stage and we are our past, time, the cyclic rhythms of the seasons, the waxing and waning of the moon and sun.

The square symbolizes:
Dependability, honesty, and integrity, stability, virtue.

White symbolizes:
Truth, purity, peace, innocence, liberty.

Stone symbolizes:
The Earth, nature, environment, something lasting, timeless bond to heritage, permanence, dedication and perseverance.



5 Footprints of the original World Trade Center towers, demarcated by a stone border and a step down to a slightly lower elevation. (Marked in red.)

