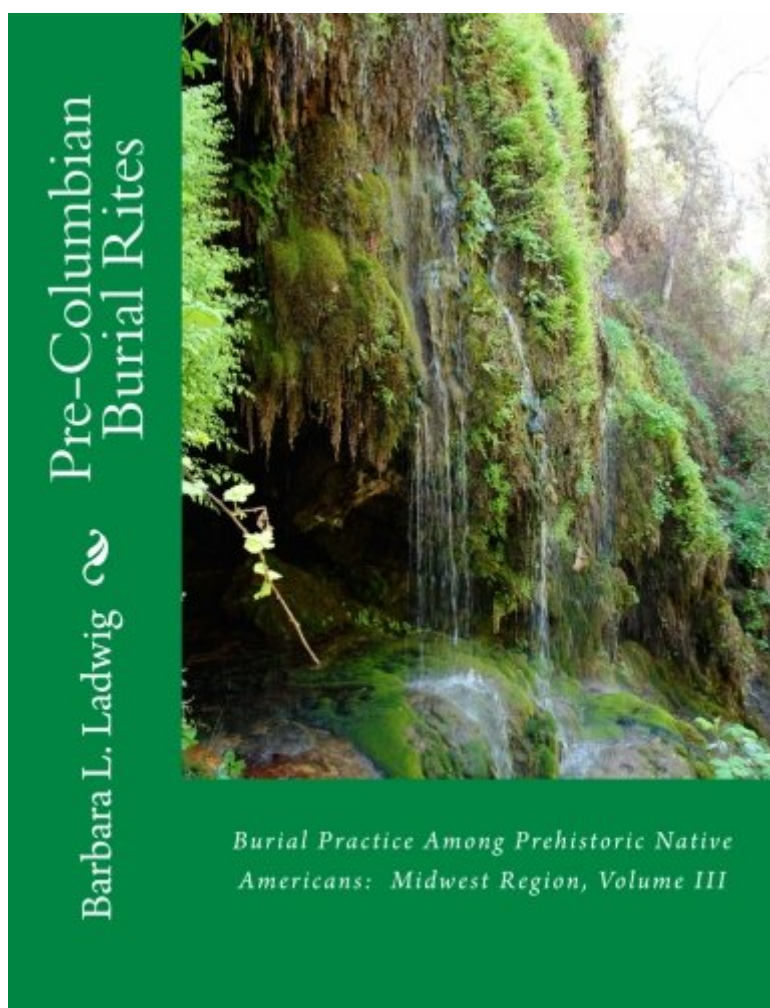


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cremation, primary inhumation, secondary inhumation (possible bundling); position of primary inhumations (extended, semi-flexed, flexed, tightly flexed), placement of inhumations (ventral, dorsal, left side, right side, sitting/reclining), age, gender, specificity of time period and cultural affiliation, intra- or extramural internment, intra- or interregional contact of influence, artificial cranial flattening, mortuary furniture including ceramics, stone, bone, shell, native copper, other exotics, red ocher; direction of the head, in-site location, structural facets of mortuary facility, elevation of terrain, water features in area, other general useful information. The Midwest Region was a complex and dynamic example of mortuary practice that was ritually oriented and traditionally grounded, consistent for long periods, yet subject to change due to both internal forces and external pressures. Multiple factors were interwoven in a clarifying display of how each cultural tradition dealt with the deposition of their deceased individuals according to the prevailing ideology of the time period.

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