

Catherine SCHALBERT
(1823-1903)

Thérèse SCHALBERT
(1828-1912)

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Sisters Catherine and Thérèse Schalbert and their brother made their fortune in trade. The sisters died in 1903 and 1912 respectively, and left their entire fortunes to the Arlon Benevolent Society, and to the Civil Hospices Commission in particular. The bequest included seven houses and substantial private claims.

As a sign of gratitude, the town council named the square in front of their house Place Schalbert.

To commemorate these two generous ladies, the town housed its ossuary in their abandoned tomb. In accordance with the law of 1975, the Arlon ossuary receives bones exhumed when the lease on a plot is not renewed.

The plaque on the chapel wall features the symbols of different faiths and philosophical movements: Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, Anglican, Muslim, Orthodox and secular.

Sources : Arlon à la Belle Epoque 1889-1914 de Jean-Marie TRIFFAUX

