

Welcome to Gardens of Rest Memorial Park & Chapel Mausoleum

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Seasonal Flower & Decoration Rules

Important Seasonal Dates Weather Permitting

March 15th through Mother's Day: NO decorations or flowers on graves except for the weeks *before and after* Easter and Mother's Day.

Memorial Day Weekend through October 1-7: Only silk flowers in cemetery approved bronze or granite vases. No flowers, glass / ceramic figures, Shepherd's hooks, lights outside of vases or anything stuck in the ground *outside of the vase*. All items outside of the vase will be discarded. EXCEPTIONS: The week before and after Mother's Day, Memorial Day and Father's Day.

November 15th though March 15: Only Cemetery approved wreaths, natural or artificial on cemetery approved stands. Removal will be when ground is not frozen solid, and stands can be moved. NO grave blankets allowed.

REMOVAL POLICY: See details on the above dates.

ALL DECORATIONS THAT ARE PERMITTED WILL BE REMOVED BY CEMETERY STAFF AND HELD FOR FOURTEEN (14) DAYS NEXT TO THE DUMPSTER AT THE BACK OF THE CEMETERY. IF DECORATIONS ARE NOT PICKED UP AFTER 14 DAYS THEY WILL BE DISPOSED. YOU MUST CONTACT OUR OFFICE IF TO YOU WISH FOR SPECIAL COURTESY ARRANGEMENTS TO BE MADE FOR A BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY OUTSIDE OF THE STANDARD RULES FOR A MAXIMUM OF THREE (3) DAYS. FAMILIES ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR REMOVAL OF ITEMS ON THAT FINAL COURTESY DAY.

Strictly Prohibited Items:

Metal, plastic or stick vases. Glass or ceramic figurines, bottles, stationary crosses of any kind, cans, Styrofoam or Papier Mache, Shepherd's Hooks or rods, ornaments, plantings of any kind including the removal of sod for plantings of potted plants. NO decorative stones are permitted around bronze memorials. No solar lights outside of the vase.

Flags: Flags may be placed in a vase. An exception to this rule is made for Memorial Day, Veterans Day and all other recognized Veteran holidays where a flag is placed up against the granite foundation of a bronze memorial. Flags will be permitted outside of the vase for these holidays for two days before and after said holidays.

Mausoleum Areas Indoors: Fresh flowers are not permitted inside the mausoleum (except for the day of entombment and two days after). Fresh cut flowers are allowed if a crypt is on the outside of the mausoleum building. No wires, stickers or DIY items are allowed on the outside of the mausoleum crypts or cremation niche.

Seeding of New Burials: The settling of the ground for a new burial is usually a four to six-week process. Depending on the type of soil condition and the amount of rainfall, the settling time may vary. Once the new burial has settled below ground level, topsoil, seed, straw and netting will be added to complete the burial.

For additional information see our Facebook page, @gardensofrest or our website, gardensofrest.com, or in our office.

Silk flower placement programs are available for seasonal decorations. Please inquire within office.