**GARFIELD TOWNSHIP CEMETERY RULES**

The following rules and regulations have been established by the Garfield Township Board of Trustees in order to maintain the beauty of the Township’s Cemetery, not only for the present, but for generations to come.

1. All memorials, monuments, and grave markers must be cut from quarried granite, marble or cast from genuine bronze.
2. No artificial stone, native boulders or fieldstone will be permitted.
3. Permission must be obtained from the Cemetery Sexton (or his designee) to plant trees, shrubbery, set markers, etc. Any plantings, shrubs, trees or other materials wrongly placed or installed will be removed and discarded without notice.
4. No artificial flowers or rose bushes will be permitted.
5. Establishment of sod on lots is to be done by Cemetery employees.
6. At least 8 regular working hours' notice must be given whenever an interment is to be made. Interments will be subject to severe weather conditions.
7. No person other than Cemetery personnel will be permitted to dig a grave or open any grave already there.
8. No vehicle shall exceed a speed of 5 mph.
9. All persons are prohibited from picking any flowers or injuring any tree, plant, or shrub on the Cemetery grounds.
10. All urns, plant material, etc. will be in line with the headstone.
11. Funeral directors, upon arrival at the Cemetery, must present the necessary burial permit from the local health office.
12. The Sexton, or his designee, shall have the right to remove funeral designs, floral pieces, plant material, shrubs and urns, and other materials as soon as they become unsightly.
13. No pets are allowed in the Cemetery.
14. Winter rates will be effective between November 1 and April 15. No graveside services are permitted during this time.
15. Winter burials will be scheduled by the Sexton.
16. Decorations and other materials that interfere with normal Cemetery maintenance will be removed.
17. Foundations for headstones, benches, monuments or markers may be installed by approved contractors who have current liability insurance of a minimum of $500,000.00 and have prepaid a $50.00 locating and final inspection fee or may be installed by Cemetery personnel at a cost determined by the Township Board. All such construction must be approved in advance by the Sexton.
18. All burials must be in a vault constructed of reinforced concrete and be approved by the Sexton.
19. Flower beds shall be planted by a florist or individually.
20. Cremains must be enclosed in an approved vault. The interment of non-traditional cremains must be approved and recorded by the Sexton or his designee and will be subject to an administrative fee determined by the Township Board.
21. The Township is not responsible for items removed from graves or for vandalism.
22. A single grave site shall be allowed to con­tain one full burial and one (1) cremains or only two (2) cremains.
23. All lot sales are to be handled through the Township Clerk or its approved representative. All lots or graves must be paid in full at the time of selection. A transfer of ownership of a lot or grave site may only be to a person related to the transferor in lineal consanguinity. No transfer of a lot or grave will be effective unless and until the transfer is recorded and approved by the Township Clerk's office, and any deed or certificate to a lot or site must be surrendered with the written request for a transfer. The Township shall charge a fee of $50.00 for any transfer of ownership.
24. Horses, snowmobiles, motor bikes, motorcycles, ATV's, or other types of recreational vehicles are not permitted in the Cemetery.

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