

# BATTLE GROVE CEMETERY

## Rules & Regulations

Revised August 21, 2013

- (1) Cemetery gates are open as follows: 7:30 - 5:30 EST/ 7:30 - 8:30 DST
- (2) The gates are open year around, only exception being due to weather related factors, giving concern to safety of visitors and preservation of the cemetery.
- (3) Artificial flowers are allowed during the winter (non-mowing) season only: November 1st through March 31st.
- (4) Borders of any type, fences, stakes, metal markers or other structures are prohibited.
- (5) The placing of boxes, shells, toys, metal designs, or articles upon graves, lots or monuments is inconsistent with the proper keeping of the grounds and cannot be permitted. Solar lights or battery operated lights are prohibited. Items are not to be secured with tape cement, glue etc. as these constitute an unsafe condition. These articles will be removed by the cemetery personnel.
- (6) The planting of flowers is encouraged and permitted: however, these flower beds are restricted to your available space and limited to 18" in front of the monument and should be cared for as not to distract from the general beauty of the Cemetery. Cut flowers or potted plants are restricted to approved containers only. No glass, tin cans, boxes, animal shaped pots, etc. Christmas wreaths may be placed on metal stand within this 18" flower bed during the months of December and January; however, the lot owner must remove these items by the end of January. The first week of February the Cemetery personnel will survey the Cemetery to remove and dispose of Christmas wreaths and all items not in compliance with Cemetery regulations.
- (7) Shepherd canes are restricted to 1 (one) cane per monument. If there is a need for two baskets, a double cane is permitted. Shepherd canes shall be removed by November 1st. Empty shepherd canes (not in use) will be periodically removed during the summer months.
- (8) Flower arrangements and wreaths may contain decorations consisting of non-plant material only as a incidental part of the arrangements; floral blankets are not permitted.
- (9) Non-floral, stand alone decorations are not permitted i.e. balloons, statues, figurines, pinwheels, Christmas trees over 18" tall, Holiday place cards, plaques, etc. No flags other than recognized, national or state, cloth flags will be permitted. All flag placements require prior approval by the superintendent of Battle Grove Cemetery.
- (10) If any trees or shrubs, situated on any lot, shall by means of their roots, branches or otherwise become detrimental to the adjacent lots or roadways, or unsightly, or inconvenient to visitors, it shall be the duty of Battle Grove Cemetery, and they have the right to enter the said lot and remove the trees or shrubs or such parts there of as are detrimental, unsightly or inconvenient.

- (11) No trees, flowers or other plants shall be cut, removed or damaged without permission of the Cemetery.
- (12) If any monument, vault, tomb, effigy, or any structure whatever, or any inscription placed in or upon any lot, or monument is determined to be offensive or improper, the Company shall have the right, and it shall be their duty, to enter upon such lot and remove the offensive or improper object or objects.

**As of August 21, 2013 concrete benches will no longer be allowed.**

**Note: As existing concrete benches deteriorate they will be removed and not replaced.**

### NOTE:

Added to the above original ruling to include the setting of new monuments that may have to be removed due to engravings, wording, profane inscriptions not conducive to the atmosphere of the Cemetery.

- (13) Vehicles: The speed limit in the Cemetery is 10 mph. Driving on the grass except by authorization is prohibited. Motorcycles are not permitted except when they are part of a funeral procession.
- (14) No playing in the Cemetery. Bicycles, skateboards, scooters, roller blades, snow sled, etc. are not allowed.
- (15) No firearms are permitted in the Cemetery, except for Honor Guards at military services and law enforcement officers.
- (16) No alcoholic beverages or any other controlled substance is allowed on the grounds.
- (17) No dogs or pets allowed, except service animals for persons with disabilities.
- (18) Since this is a cemetery with an inherent sacred nature, it is requested that visitors be decently clothed; including shoes, shirt and personal conduct be conducive to the atmosphere of the Cemetery.
- (19) The Cemetery can not be responsible for accidents, or replace any materials which have been stolen or vandalized.
- (20) All visitors under 16 years of age must be accompanied by a responsible adult.
- (21) Information regarding lot usage and transfers also engraving of monuments, please contact the cemetery office.

While this area of rules & regulations appear to be lengthy, it is the desire and responsibility of the Directors and Staff of Battle Grove Cemetery to maintain this cemetery in a manner, honoring those that are interred here.

Thank you for your support, assistance, and cooperation.

**For Monument Sales and additional cemetery related services, specifications and requirement, please contact the Superintendent of Battle Grove Cemetery.**