



Vernon Township & Diamond Lake Cemetery Rules and Regulations

Vernon Township Cemeteries are Nondenominational

1. *Lots, crypts, or niches shall only be used for the burial of the human deceased.*
 - a. The purchase of a lot, crypt or niche is for the right to bury the human deceased. Not ownership of the lot, crypt, or niche.
 - b. Selling a lot, crypt, or niche is prohibited.
 - c. Transfers of a lot, crypt or niche must be reported to Vernon Township.
 - d. A maximum of 4 graves can be purchased per household.
 - e. Residency rates are determined by the deceased's residency. Pre-need purchases are determined by the purchaser's residency.
2. *Coordination with Vernon Township must be obtained for the placement of any monuments, plaques, or headstones on any lot, crypt, or niche within the cemetery.*
 - a. For a single lot, the bottom of the monument (base) cannot be larger than 40 inches.
 - b. The monument must be placed on a foundation that has a perimeter of 2 inches on each side or up to 44 inches.
 - c. Approval from Vernon Township is required prior to the installation of the monument.
 - d. Monuments may cover up to (2) two grave sites.
 - e. All foundations must be poured by Professional Cemetery Services
 - f. See Monument Rules/Permit form for further information

3. *Flowers beds are permitted but may only be on the grave side of the lot and within a designated area that extends no more than 18 inches from the monument, lot line width, or lot line if no monument is present.*

If placing anything in this area, it is the responsibility of the lot owner to maintain the area i.e. grass, weeds etc.

- a. The plants allowed are annuals, that do not exceed 12 inches tall.
- b. Placement of potted plants, hooks, plaques, or other decorations must be completely within the flower bed designated area and no taller than 4 feet.

All trees and shrubs growing in the cemetery are the property of the Township and not of the lot owners. No ornamentation is allowed.

4. *Not permitted items will be removed immediately at Vernon Township's discretion and without notice:*
 - a. Planted trees, evergreens, bushes (roses are bushes), shrubs and hedges on burial lots or any other location on cemetery property.
 - b. Objects made of glass, crockery, or other breakable materials.
 - c. Candles, alcohol, cigarettes, food.
 - d. Seats, benches, gravel, decorative stone, mulch or mylar balloons.

5. Vernon Township personnel may enter any lot at its discretion, and without notice, modify or remove any decoration that it deems dangerous, improperly placed, withered, not properly cared for or inconsistent with the Rules and Regulations.

It shall be the right of the Township from time to time to alter avenues and walks, and to make such rules and regulations for the government of the grounds as they may deem requisite and proper to secure and promote the general objects and best interests of the cemetery. Rules subject to change without notice.

Seasonal cleanup of decorations will be done in the spring approximately April 1st and in the fall approximately November 1st, weather permitting. Please remove any decorations before that date. All decorations that remain will be removed and disposed of during seasonal clean up. The Township accepts no responsibility for decorations that are lost, stolen, vandalized, damaged, or discarded.

Vernon Township is the only entity that can change or modify these rules. Rules subject to change without notice.

By signing this document purchasers of grave plots, niches and crypts at Vernon and Diamond Lake Cemeteries agree to abide by the rules and regulations stated above.

Signature

Date

Print Name

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