

**GRAVE DECORATION POLICIES – OAK GROVE & REYNOLDS CEMETERY,  
MANCHESTER, MI**

**PERMITTED:**

**Fresh cut flowers** are permitted in approved in-ground/marker vases.

**Potted plants** are permitted if placed ON the marker itself or on a side of the monument. Only one potted plant permitted per lot in lieu of an \*approved flower bed. Unsightly, unapproved, or potted plants which interfere with the orderly mowing of the cemetery will be removed.

**Artificial flowers** may be used, but when they become unsightly, they will be removed.

**Flower beds** are allowed on the grave side of the memorial (monument or marker). Only natural flowers are to be planted in approved flower beds. Flower beds are not to exceed **8 inches** in width and the **dimensions of the memorial in length**. It is your responsibility to care for and maintain the flower bed you plant. Unsightly plantings will be removed. The use of thorned plants is prohibited.

**Wood or cedar chips** and similar biodegradable material may be used to decorate the flower bed.

**NOT PERMITTED:**

**Trees, shrubs,** and other such items.

**Perennial plants** are prohibited if placed ON the marker itself or on a side of the monument. Only one potted plant permitted per lot. Unsightly, unapproved, or potted plants which interfere with the orderly mowing of the cemetery will be removed.

**Stones and/or rocks** must be removed. These items can cause serious injury to visitors and memorial when projected by lawn mower. The use of patio stones is also prohibited.

**Decorative borders, lawn decorations and/or fences** also must be removed for safety and mower accessibility reasons.

**Glass, china or porcelain** of any kind which when broken presents a serious safety hazard. Nor are tin cans, including those wrapped in aluminum foil allowed.

**Knick-knacks, toys, clothing, jewelry** or any other object of value should never be placed on the lot, near the memorial, or in the cemetery.

## **MISCELLANEOUS**

### **Flags:**

**Only** American flags, Fireman's flags & Veteran's flags are permitted. Old and tattered flags may be removed and discarded in the appropriate fashion at the discretion of cemetery personnel.

### **Cemetery Cleanup:**

The cemetery performs a general cleanup in the spring to prepare grounds for summer visitors. **Kindly remove any decorations you wish to keep prior to the cleanup date (April 1st) and refrain from placing new decorations until cleanup is complete.**

**Funeral flowers** will be removed when they become unsightly.

**All items in direct violation of these rules and regulations will be removed without notification and will not be saved.**

### **Rules & Regulations for Monuments & Headstones**

1. The Cemetery Sexton reserves the right to construct all foundations for monuments and headstones. Reasonable notice must be given to the Cemetery Sexton to permit the building if such foundations and the cost thereof to be paid in advance.
2. All construction of the above, will be as follows: No monuments or headstones shall be erected without a good and sufficient foundation. Foundations must be the same size as the base of the monument or headstone to be placed thereon; All foundations will be constructed from concrete.
3. Frost exceeding 10"; there will be no burials. "STANDARD FOR WINTER BURIALS".