

# ASSUMPTION/CALVARY CEMETERIES CORPORATION

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**DISCLOSURE OF OWNERSHIP:** Assumption/Calvary Cemeteries Corporation is a religious cemetery governed by a Board of Trustees.

## Rules & Regulations for Assumption/Calvary/Sacred Heart Cemeteries Ground Burials

At Assumption/Calvary/Sacred Heart Cemeteries we desire that your visits to the cemetery be frequent, prayerful, and strengthening to your faith. To better serve all families who entrust their beloved to our care and visit this cemetery, and to maintain your Catholic cemetery in a neat and presentable manner, we have instituted the following guidelines.

### GENERAL CEMETERY RULES

- **NO** funeral services will be allowed in the cemetery gate after 2:30 p.m., Monday-Friday, or after 11:30 a.m., on Saturdays. If a family chooses to bury later in the day, there will be a charge.
- Saturday funerals will be assessed an additional fee per the General Price List.
- **NO** funeral services will be allowed on Sundays, certain Holy Days or Holidays. For permitted burials on allowable Holy Days or Holidays, the Saturday burial schedule will apply as well as additional fees.
- **NO** interment of cremains held over from previous months will be allowed no less than two weeks prior to Memorial Day.
- People are allowed to be present during the lowering of the casket and vault into the ground provided proper notification is given and an executed burial agreement is on file with the Cemetery Office.
- A concrete vault is required for ALL full size burials.
- Burial permits are required for ALL full size and cremation burials.
- Two cremations may be buried on the same grave, but only one grave marker is allowed. The additional burial of each cremated remains will be 50% of the current grave price and permission must come from the original lot owner, spouse, or designated person who has burial rights for that grave. One cremation, along with one ground burial, may be on the same grave (burial must be first, with cremation second). Cremation burials on top of a previous ground burial are required to be in a marble or granite urn (no metals/maximum height of 8"). All must be paid in full prior to burial. All other ground cremations will be required to have a vault, unless in a marble or granite urn.
- Commingling of cremated remains is not permitted. The scattering or burying of cremated remain within Assumption/Calvary/Sacred Heart Cemeteries without Cemetery consent is illegal. The cremated remains will be collected and turned over to law enforcement for criminal prosecution.
- For buyback requests, contact the Cemetery office.
- To qualify for parishioner pricing (ground burials only), you must be a member of Sacred Heart Parish.
- No pets are allowed in the cemeteries.
- Absolutely no dumping of any kind on cemetery grounds (violators will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.)

## MONUMENTS & GRASS MARKERS

- All lots and OCR's **MUST** be paid for in full before a monument or grass marker will be allowed and/or final dates added to existing monuments or grass markers.
- A temporary marker will be permitted for up to one year.
- A permit must be obtained from the Cemetery Office before a monument or grass marker is placed on any lot. A fee will be charged for this permit, which covers the footing and setting of grass markers and the footing only for monuments. All monuments are to be set by the monument company.
- No stones are to be delivered to the Cemetery until after the foundations are in. All stones must be delivered right to the lot location.
- A blueprint must be submitted for approval by the Cemetery.
- The size of the monument or grass marker depends on how many graves are purchased.
- For 3 or 4 grave monument lots, the base shall be no longer than half the width of the monument lot. Any bases over 10'6" in length must be pre-approved by the cemetery. Minimum Height: 24 inches (Base & Tablet Combined). For Bench & Base (Combined): Minimum 20 inches. Maximum Monument Height: 6'
- For 2 grave monument lots, the base shall be no longer than 48". Minimum Die Height: 20" Maximum Die Height: 26"
- All monuments must be pinned (1/2" Minimum) between all pieces.
- The last name must appear on the front side of all monuments.
- A Christian symbol shall be inscribed on the front of every memorial, monument or marker. Examples of Christian symbols include, but are not limited to, Cross/Crucifix, Dove, Holy Spirit, fish, Lamb of God, the Chi-Rho, Alpha and Omega, Sacred Heart, and Blessed Virgin. No religious symbol other than a Christian symbol is to be inscribed or otherwise used on a memorial, monument or marker. Non-Religious inscriptions are permitted subject to the prior review and approve of Management.
- All flat markers must be four inches thick, have a flat bottom, and no rough under surfaces. Uneven thicknesses will not be allowed.
- No raised letters.
- No bronze markers, concrete markers or "K" markers will be allowed.
- Veteran markers are allowed, but must be granite.
- Only one marker is allowed per grave and all markers will be set by the Cemetery. Only one grass marker per grave is allowed in addition to the monument.
- No foot markers allowed on 2 grave monument lots.
- Monument bases must be polished, sawed or axed.
- In order for a name and birth/death dates to appear on a marker within the Cemeteries, the person must be buried on the grave, and for a name and birth date to appear on a marker, they must have burial rights to the grave.
- The Cemetery will reset a marker upon request. Refer to the General Price List for pricing.
- The Cemetery Office must be notified if a marker is removed from the Cemetery. A re-setting fee will be assessed for all returning markers as per the General Price List.
- For monument lots, all flower vases must be affixed to the monument base itself. These vases must be obtained directly from the stone company and approved by the Cemetery. No freestanding vases will be allowed.
- All services must be prepaid prior to the stone being set or services performed.

## FLOWERS

- Additional flowers may be placed on graves two days prior to Memorial Day, but must be removed within six days after. All remaining flowers will be disposed of by the Cemetery.
- Additional flowers are allowed on Mother's Day (Mothers only) & Father's Day (Fathers only) the day before, day of, and the day after (no special notification required). Flowers will also be allowed on birthdays and death anniversaries; however, you will need to notify the Cemetery Office of the special date prior to the flowers being placed on the grave. These flowers will be permitted the day before, the day of, and the day after the special date. No glass vases or containers are allowed.

- No floral sprays or decorative arrangements are permitted to be affixed or secured to the top of upright monuments. **Monument vases are for flowers only**, no flags, wreaths, crosses, solar lights, etc.
- No balloons or releasing of balloons is allowed.
- Christmas wreaths will be allowed from November 15<sup>th</sup> through to January 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- There will be NO planting of trees, shrubs or flowers at any time.
- It is not possible for Cemetery employees to attend all areas of the cemetery during normal cemetery hours. As a consequence, there are occasions when flowers and decorations have been stolen. The Cemetery cannot assume any liability for decorations placed on burial sites. *We recommend that families take this into consideration when selecting flowers for graves, crypts, or niches.*
- Additional graves purchased contiguous to private mausoleum lots are considered part of the original lot. No additional in-ground vases will be permitted on the additional graves. Any/all vases must be secured to mausoleum base itself.

#### **ADDITIONAL FLOWER RULES FOR ASSUMPTION ONLY:**

- For flat markers, only one vase is allowed per lot and not per grave.
- For flat marker lots, the only flowers allowed are in vases purchased from the Cemetery. Metal framework, wood crosses, flags, or wreaths, etc., are not permitted in the approved vases. Vases are for flowers only. Styrofoam disc liners (not peanuts) are the only approved fillers to secure floral arrangements. Dirt, bags, rocks, and other materials are **NOT** permitted and vase will be removed.
- For flat markers, flowers in vases purchased from the Cemetery will be allowed one day prior to Mother's Day through Labor Day. After Labor Day all flowers must be removed and vases turned over. If flowers remain, they will be disposed of by the Cemetery. Vases may not be turned back over until one day prior to Mother's Day. After Labor Day, only cut flowers are permitted (no pots or vases) until one day prior to Mother's Day.

#### **ADDITIONAL FLOWER RULES FOR CALVARY AND SACRED HEART ONLY:**

- For flat marker lots only one plant stand is allowed per lot and not per grave. The one-legged plant stands must be 3/4" in diameter and hold no more than one potted plant. All one-legged plant stands must be removed by Labor Day and can be replaced after May 1<sup>st</sup>.
- Only **plastic pots** will be allowed in the stands in the permitted areas.
- Metal framework, Styrofoam, wood crosses, flags, shepherd's hooks, wind chimes, balloons, or wreaths are not permitted to be attached to or placed in one-legged plant stands, planters, or inserted into the ground.
- Stands not in use by July 1<sup>st</sup> will be removed.
- No one-legged plant stands are allowed in the baby section.
- Sacred Heart Cemetery..funeral flowers should be removed by the family within three days after burial.

The Cemetery disclaims all responsibility for loss or damage beyond its reasonable control. The Cemetery through its management reserves the right at any time and from time to time to change, amend, alter, repeal, rescind, or add to these rules and regulations or any part thereof, or to adopt any new rules or regulations with respect to its Cemeteries or anything pertaining thereto.

It shall be the duty of the lot (plot) holder to notify the Management of any change in his/her Post Office address. Notice sent to a lot (plot) holder at the last address in the Management's records shall be considered sufficient and proper legal notification.

\*\*A booklet is available concerning the legalities of owning property in the Cemetery and will be furnished upon request.