

SAINT MARTIN OF TOURS
CEMETERY POLICY

Decoration Rules for Grave Sites:

1. Fresh flowers can be placed on headstones anytime.
2. Glass vases/bottles are not permitted.
3. No vase containers can be buried in the ground.
4. Votive candles or candles of any type are not permitted.
5. Decorations of any kind that are attached to wooden or metal rods are not permitted in-ground.
6. Decorations consisting of flower baskets, flower arrangements, wreaths and flags are only permitted on the ground from November 15th thru February 1st each year. No decorations are permitted on the ground from March 1st thru November 15th each year. Any decorations not permitted will be removed immediately by cemetery representatives.
7. All memento's left on headstones must be permanently attached to headstones or will be removed by cemetery representatives.
8. Any shepherd hooks found to be bent or not satisfactory in appearance will be removed by cemetery representatives.
9. The use of wire is permitted to attach flower arrangements to headstones is but there cannot be any stakes in-ground.
10. Potted plants are not permitted anytime with exception to Mother's Day, Father's Day and Easter, but must be removed on the first Monday after the holiday.
11. The use of landscape lights, boxes of any kind, trinkets, toys, ornaments, glass, benches or live plants are not permitted. These items will be removed by cemetery representatives.
12. Any flower vases deemed an accessory to a headstone must be permanently mounted to the headstone.

Cemetery Policies:

1. The Saint Martin Cemetery Representatives reserve the right to refuse admission to the cemetery and can refuse use of any cemetery facilities. Person's arranging for interment must contact the Parrish Office to make the necessary grave site arrangements.
2. The Pastor or his designated representative reserves the right to specify the terms or purchase of all interment rights for grave plots.
3. The use of grave plots is for the grave plot holder or his direct heirs for interment only and cannot be resold, however, grave sites may be turned back in to Saint Martin of Tours.
4. All landscape work and general maintenance of the cemetery will be done by cemetery representatives for the general care and beauty of the cemetery and not for a specific grave plot.

Suggestions for Family of the Deceased:

1. If you have already purchased a grave plot, an established title of easement will be maintained in the Parrish Office. If a pre-purchased grave plot is not utilized by the purchaser it then becomes property of purchasers heirs. However, if you are a direct heir, proof must be provided, in order to utilize this grave plot.
2. An accurate location of all grave plots are recorded on maps and by file in the Parrish Office.

3. A Saint Martin of Tours Cemetery fund provides for the eternal maintenance of the cemetery and all grave sites contained within. This fund is the accumulation of income from donations and fees collected from the sale of grave plots.
4. The cemetery does not own or provide any equipment or manpower for burial,
5. All headstones must be constructed of granite or bronze.

Hours of Operation:

1. The main cemetery gate will be open from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM, Tuesday thru Friday and on major holidays. Appointments can be made thru the Parrish Office for any other times.
2. No headstone/monument installation on Holy Days or Holidays and can only be done during the cemetery hours of operation.
3. Headstone/monument installation or repair must be coordinated with cemetery representatives.

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