

Gardner Township Cemetery



Established 1857

Township Board Members

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Cemetery Association (Established 1925)

Officers

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Members

Jerry Gay, Marcia Gay
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Cemetery Sexton

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Rules and Regulations

- Cemetery open dusk to dawn.
- No trespassing from sundown to sunup.
- No work may be performed in the cemetery without sexton or board approval.
- No dogs allowed (except for service dogs).
- No planting of flowers, trees or shrubs.
- No funerals or private ceremonies held after 4:00 p.m.
- No picnicking, drinking, skating or other activities.
- Decoration of graves:

Memorial Day - Decorations maybe placed seven days before and removed seven days after.

Christmas Time: Flowers, etc. will be removed after the first of the year.

- No items may be hung in the trees.
- No balloons, pinwheels, glass items, metal items or statues allowed.
- All decorations must be kept on monument. No decorative rock may be placed around stone bases. Rocks and wire create a mowing and trimming hazard.
- One shepherd's hook per grave allowed.
- Rules regarding lots/graves, setting of monuments and burials, please contact the Sextons and Gardner Cemetery Association.
- The Gardner Township Board and the Gardner Cemetery Association do hereby agree to cut the grass and take proper care of the graves of the described lot/grave, to keep said lot/grave in good condition.

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Rules and Regulations, Continued

Monument Stone Requirements:

1. Due to required specifications,
No home-made monuments
2. The monuments are the responsibility of the lot owner; it is not the Gardner Township Cemetery's responsibility to re-set stones if they settle.
3. All monuments must be properly marked and authorized by the Sexton. Owner of the grave is responsible for the monument setting. If not done properly, it is the owner's responsibility to meet the cemetery requirements.

Specification for setting stones/monuments:

1. A concrete foundation (at ground level) to be **wet** poured for stone/monument; is to be inspected by the Sexton.
2. When setting stones, the monument company is to remove forms and fill in around stone. If not done, the Sexton will charge the monument company \$25.00 for the removal of the forms and filling in the dirt around the foundation.



Specification for setting stones/monuments, continued:

3. The foundation or footing size depends on the size of the stone/monument. On small monuments, drill one hole 6 inches in diameter, 36 inches deep from ground level, to be filled with concrete. On large monuments, drill 2 holes of 6 inches in diameter, 36 inches deep from ground level, to be filled with concrete is required.
4. All military monuments are to be ground level so mower can go over them. Minimum of 16 to 18 inches deep, with post holes 3 feet deep from the top of the ground. A 6 inch collar is required around all monuments. (Exception to this rule must be approved by the Sexton.

Purchasing of Lots:

- Single graves can only be sold in the single grave sites that have been designated (double sites can not be sold back as a single to the Gardner Township Cemetery).
- No selling of multiple grave sites to organizations.
- If there is a question of residency, there is a requirement of a three (3) month documentation as proof of resident in the Gardner Township by providing proof of taxes being paid and in the City of Gardner, a paid utility bill for three (3) months.

Burials:

1. Burial lots are to be paid in full before opening for burial, unless a financial agreement is made with the cemetery board.
2. No transferring of lots without notification.
3. Outer container is required.
4. Two urns or one casket burial per grave. (No metal or wood urns)
5. Cremations may not be spread without the purchase of a grave.
6. All burials should have a headstone designating the names of the people buried in the grave.