

# **Nassau Knolls Cemetery**

# Planting and Decorating Regulations:

The cemetery's management is committed to the goal that our cemetery is well maintained and safe for all our families and visitors. As with all the other local cemeteries, rules and regulations play a most important part in the beautification and preservation of the resting place of our loved ones. They are intended, not as restraining, but rather as defining an orderly plan of operation, care and permanent maintenance. The placement of items, whether floral or some other type, is regulated for the common good of all gravesites, crypts, and niches.

## All gravesites:

Many families wish to decorate their loved one's burial place as an expression of their love and caring. The cemetery attempts to balance these desires with practical concerns of safety and maintenance. While not everyone will agree with all the rules, we ask for your understanding that by adhering to them you contribute to our common goal; a well-kept and safe cemetery.

Certain decorations are prohibited in order to protect the safety of our employees, families, and visitors. The list of prohibited decorations includes, but is not limited to:

Paper or plastic items Toys Boxes Shells Ceramic statues Rocks Metal designs Ornaments Chairs/settees Wood/iron cases Balloons Glass Plant holders Pinwheels Glass Candles

### \*\* All Prohibited items will be removed without notice\*\* Only cemetery approved vases are allowed on graves/crypt fronts.

Christmas and winter holiday decorations in the form of a wreath or blanket may be placed on the gravesites from Thanksgiving and will be removed beginning February 1<sup>st</sup>.

Due to the cemetery being open to the public, we cannot guarantee plants and decorations from theft and vandalism. (See our General Rules & Regulations)

## Memorial Park Planting Regulations: What is permitted?

For our flat bronze marker sections, no permanent plantings are permitted. Fresh flowers only may be placed on the grave or in a bronze or plastic vase. Artificial bouquets may be used only during the winter months (November 15<sup>th</sup> until April 15<sup>th</sup>).

# Community Mausoleums & Columbarium Regulations: What is permitted?

Where floral tables are provided, bouquets of fresh flowers are permitted. Artificial flowers are allowed in the floral tables from November 15<sup>th</sup> until April 15<sup>th</sup>. Arrangements will be removed when they become unsightly or out of season. At no time may articles or flowers be attached to crypt or niche covers as damage could occur. Only vase and flower units approved and provided by the cemetery are permitted for the crypt/niche fronts.

# Headstone Planting Regulations: What is permitted?

Only annual flowers may be planted within an 18" semi-circle in front of the monument. Edging is not allowed in the area. If the bed becomes neglected and/or overgrown, the Nassau Cemetery Association will remove such plantings. No rocks or stones are to be placed on the top of the monument.

\*\*Geraniums, marigolds and begonias are plants that are well-suited to put in the semi-circle beds\*\*

Planting/decoration	1 grave plot	2 grave plot	3 grave plot	4 grave plot
Annual Flowers	Yes- semi circle of 18" in front of monument	Yes- semi circle of 18" in front of monument	Yes- semi circle of 18" in front of monument	Yes- semi circle of 18" in front of monument
Shrubs/Bushes	Not Permitted	Yes- one on each side of monument- max height 3 ft.	Yes- one on each side of monument- max height 3 ft.	Yes- one on each side of monument- max height 3 ft.
Artificial Flowers	Seasonal- November 15 <sup>th</sup> - April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Seasonal- November 15 <sup>th</sup> - April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Seasonal- November 15 <sup>th</sup> - April 15 <sup>th</sup>	Seasonal- November 15 <sup>th</sup> - April 15 <sup>th</sup>
Vases	Yes-Plastic vases or approved NCA vases	Yes-Plastic vases or approved NCA vases	Yes-Plastic vases or approved NCA vases	Yes-Plastic vases or approved NCA vases
Potted Plants	Not Permitted	Not Permitted	Not Permitted	Not Permitted
Flags	Flags may be placed on Memorial Day, Flag Day, the Fourth of July, and Veterans Day only. Flags should be kept to 12" in size or smaller. Flags are subject to removal by Cemetery within five (5) days of the Holiday. ***Faded, soiled, torn flags will be properly disposed***			
Prohibited items	Glass Jars, Ceramic Statues, Planters, Bottles, Toys, Balloons, Shells, Edging, Stones, Pebbles, Pinwheels, ceramic breakable vases, banners, glass candles			
Prohibited plants	Ivy, sedum, ajuga, rose bushes, Perennials, hedges, vines, etc. **Please note that all spreading plants are prohibited			

# The following are acceptable dwarf plants:

Alberta Spruce English Boxwood Cypress Dwarf Upright Heather of Heath Dwarf Cryptomeria Dwarf Hinoki False Cypress Juniper Dwarf Rhododendron Aristata Pine Dwarf Thread Bird Nest Spruce

\*\*Please be aware that if such shrubs become overgrown, are neglected, or unsightly, the Nassau Cemetery Association reserves the right to remove such plantings without notice and to bill the plot owner at a reasonable fee.

The cemetery ground regulations are enforced daily. General cleanup of all sections takes place periodically throughout the year. During these times, all grave planting and decorating violations are subject to removal without notice. The cemetery reserves the right to remove items or plants that do not follow the rules and regulations of the Nassau Cemetery Association.

# ABRIDGED CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS

(information included in Rules and Regulations tri-fold pamphlet available at Cemetery office)

#### ALL ORNAMENTS INCLUDING MEMORABILIA ARE PROHIBITED.

The placing of paper or plastic items, boxes, shells, rocks, toys, metal designs, ornaments, chairs, settees, vases, glass, ceramics, breakable vases or plant holders, wood or iron cases and similar articles, upon plots, Crypts and Niches shall not be permitted, and, if so placed, the Association reserves the right to remove the same without notification. No rocks or pebbles permitted on bronze markers or headstones. The Cemetery is not responsible for theft or vandalism or severe weathering.

#### \*\*NO GRAVE MOUNDS OR PLOT ENCLOSURES ARE PERMITTED.

#### **REGULATIONS FOR MEMORIAL PARK (Sections with flat bronze markers)**

ABSOLUTELY NO PLANTING allowed on or around the graves.

**FRESH CUT FLOWERS** are allowed during the spring and summer months. Flowers must be placed in approved metal vases or plastic cones which are available throughout the Cemetery.

#### ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS ARE PERMITTED ONLY FROM NOV 15th to APRIL 15th.

All Christmas items are removed by February 1st.

#### **BALLOONS ARE NOT PERMITTED.**

#### **COMMUNITY MAUSOLEUMS & COLUMBARIUMS**

At no time may personal articles, flowers, pictures, or other decorative items be attached or affixed to the crypt or niche covers as damage could occur.

#### **REGULATIONS FOR MONUMENTAL AREAS (Headstone Sections)**

**PLANTING AREA** is to be in a semi-circular shape and may not exceed the width of the stone or extend further out than 18 inches from the center of the stone.

**ANNUAL PLANTS ONLY** may be planted in this area. Families MUST provide regular care of plantings, which will be removed if they become unsightly. The Cemetery is not responsible for private plantings.

**ONLY ON TWO OR MORE GRAVES** is one dwarf plant allowed at each end of the stone. These must be maintained by the plot owner and not allowed to overgrow onto neighboring plots. For a list of acceptable dwarf plants, please call or visit the Cemetery office.

The cemetery attempts to balance the desires of all families who wish to memorialize their loved ones with practical concerns of appearance, maintenance, and safety. The placement of all items are regulated daily for the common good of all owners and to maintain our common goal of keeping a well-kept and safe cemetery.

# GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ASSOCIATION PERTAINING TO NASSAU KNOLLS MEMORIAL PARK AND NASSAU KNOLLS CEMETERY ALSO INCLUDE, AMONG OTHERS, THE PROVISIONS, A CONDENSED STATEMENT OF WHICH IS AS FOLLOWS:

- No interment in any plot in the cemetery shall be made or permitted by the owner thereof for a remuneration. If there be more than one owner of a plot, no deceased person shall be buried therein without the written consent of all the owners of such plot, unless such deceased person, at the time of his or her death, was an owner of such plot, or the spouse, or a parent or a child of an owner.
- Not more than two burials shall be made in a single grave.
- Notice of proposed interment must be given to the Superintendent at least forty-eight hours in advance.
- No grave mounds, plot enclosures, or ground covers, or hedges are permitted.
- No Memorial shall be placed on any plot until the plot has been fully paid for.
- Permanent Maintenance of any such plot(s) does not extend to the care of individual shrubbery and planting.
- The Association shall not be responsible for any damage because of vandalism or theft of a memorial or vase unit.

#### **Re: NASSAU KNOLLS MEMORIAL PARK**

Only a flat bronze memorial of approved type set even with the ground as prescribed by the Association will be permitted. No monument, tombstone, vault, marker, fence, coping, mound, mausoleum or structure of any kind may be erected, or any hedge, plant or trees, or flowers planted upon such a lot or lots. (See separate publication regarding bronze memorials.)

#### **Re: NASSAU KNOLLS CEMETERY**

All foundations shall be built by the Cemetery.

Monumental or other work is variously restricted in different Sections of the cemetery. Dimensions of headstones are subject to rigid regulations designed to insure permanency and proper conformity. Before ordering monumental or other work, a Plot Owner must be fully informed as to such regulations governing the plot herein. Only one central or family memorial shall be allowed on a family plot, which, when placed at the rear of the lot, shall be set on the rear property line.

In the event that it becomes necessary to remove any plants, trees or flowers, planted on said plot(s) for the purpose of making an interment, the Plot Owner agrees that the same shall be replaced by the Association at the cost and expense of the Plot Owner. The Association does not guarantee the survival of any such planting.

#### **DISPOSITION UPON OWNER'S DEATH**

Title to the plot does not pass to others than descendants of the deceased or of a joint owner unless <u>specifically</u> devised by Will.

#### SALE BY OWNER

The cemetery has a statuary right of first refusal on the sale of plots respect to transfer of title.

**CEMETERY GATES ARE OPEN** 

8:00 AM - 4:30 PM

EVERY DAY OF THE YEAR

**CEMETERY OFFICE HOURS** 

**WEEKDAYS** 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM

**SATURDAYS** 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

**CLOSED SUNDAYS AND HOLIDAYS** 

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