

TOWN OF BARRINGTON PINE GROVE CEMETERY

RULES AND GUIDELINES

I. INTRODUCTION

Pine Grove Cemetery was established as a private association in 1888 as the Oak Hill Cemetery Association. In 1982, by Article 26, the cemetery and its assets were turned over to the Town of Barrington. The Town, through three elected Trustees,* is responsible for the expansion, care and maintenance of the Cemetery. An annual appropriation is raised at Town Meeting for maintenance and expansion purposes, usually offset by income from lot sales and a Cemetery Trust Fund held by the Town through elected Trustees of the Trust Funds.

II. ELEGIBILITY

Cemetery lots shall be sold only to Barrington residents or former residents for themselves and their family members at the purchase of \$500.00 per grave or \$250.00 for each cremation lot.

III. PURCHASE

1. Call or visit Town Hall during regular business hours and meet with the Cemetery clerk.* After eligibility requirements are met, arrangements can be made to view the location of the lot.
2. A copy of the guidelines or a release stating that the guidelines are understood must be signed and dated by the purchaser and filed with the Cemetery clerk.
3. Payment is to be made to the **Town of Barrington** prior to a Right of Burial document being produced and before any interment is allowed.
4. Grave “ownership” is **non-transferable** to another party. In the event of selling graves back to the Town, it will be done at the price at which they were purchased. Graves are not investments for profit.

IV. BURIAL REQUIREMENTS

1. All burials are made by the Superintendent or his assigns.* All payments for cost of burial are made directly to the Superintendent, usually by arrangement with your funeral director.

2. All standard burials must have a **single cast**, with single cover, concrete vault.
3. Cremation burials adjacent to and on top of full burials are allowed. Up to, but not more than two (2) cremations on top of a full burial and not more than three (3) cremations may be buried in one regular sized grave. Grave purchases prior to April 25, 2013 shall be grandfathered.
4. The Cemetery is closed to burials and vehicle traffic during winter months; however, if conditions permit, burials will be allowed before April and after November.

V. MONUMENTS & MARKERS

1. All monument locations and configurations must be approved by the Trustees* or their agent (the Superintendent) prior to placement. Each upright monument is to be placed on a foundation of not less than three (3) feet deep and the full width and length of the base. The top of the foundation is to be at least two (2) inches below the current soil surface.
2. Upright center monuments are allowed only where graves on both sides are in common, using the single center monument. No back to back stones.
3. Roadside only stones are allowed on all graves in a configuration and layout as approved by the Trustees or their agent: not to exceed **thirty (30) inches in length** for a **single** grave, and **double, triple and quadruple** graves or configurations thereof are not to exceed **fifty (50) inches in length**. All monument **bases** are not to exceed **fourteen (14) inches wide and forty-two (42) inches** in height from the ground. **No monument will be longer than fifty (50) inches or higher than forty-two (42) inches.**
4. Single or multiple flush markers are allowed without foundations. The Superintendent, insuring that they are placed so as to prevent chipping by the mower, must approve flush marker installation.
5. A maximum of two (2) flat markers shall be allowed on a single purchase, full burial grave. Cremation graves shall be limited to one (1) flat marker.
6. Multiple grave plots shall be limited to one raised stone and each individual grave may be marked with a flat marker.
7. Any unauthorized or unapproved installations may be removed at the Trustee's discretion and at the owner's expense.

VI. FLOWERS & ADORNMENTS

1. Article 24 of the 1985 Town Meeting reads, "The Town will allow planting of flowers, **no trees or shrubs**, in front of stones or on sides up to ten (10) inches high and the width of the base.
2. One urn on one or two-graves – town urns on six or more graves as permanent fixtures on the roadside or next to upright monuments only. **NO center-of-grave placements of flowers, urns, fixtures or adornments are allowed.**

3. All Memorial Day flowers, fixtures and adornments must be removed by June 10th and others by October 15th for fall clean-up, or as the Superintendent sees fit without notice.
4. Artificial flowers are **not allowed** on any grave and will be **removed**.
5. Do not place stones in the middle or around any plot.
6. Artificial lighting is strictly prohibited.

VII. ANY OR ALL

1. The Cemetery will be closed from dusk until dawn.
2. Neither the Cemetery Trustees nor the Town of Barrington shall be responsible for lost, damaged or stolen items; however, all non-approved items will be removed.
3. A complete set of Rules and Guidelines are posted on the small white building.
4. Rules can be waived by vote of the Trustees after proper hearing.

I hereby acknowledge receipt of a copy of the "Cemetery Rules & Guidelines." I acknowledge further that I have read and understood those Cemetery Rules & Guidelines and, for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, I agree to be bound by the same.

Signature

Date

Printed Name