# Calvary Cemetery Rules and Regulations Sections A-E

#### **Flowers**

- All flowers and green plants must be placed in flower stands
- Only one flower stand is allowed per grave
- Flower stands must be:
  - Constructed of a single post and be capable of holding the flower container. It may not suspend the flower container.
  - Have a ground plate and a 1 inch diameter pipe.
  - Have a minimum clearance of 2' between the base of the flower pot and the ground.
  - o A maximum of 40" in height.
  - o Any plant stand that interferes with maintenance will be removed.
  - o Made of solid enough construction that they will not bend or twist.
  - o Must be capable of securely holding the flower pot.
  - Plant stands are available for purchase through Lakes Floral and Mattson Funeral and Cremation Service in Forest Lake.
- Hanging plant stands and hanging plants are not allowed.
- No urn or flower holder, either in ground or above ground are allowed on or attached to a flat marker.
- Watering of the plants is the responsibility of the individual grave owners.
- Flowers stands are to be placed by Calvary Cemetery maintenance staff in each grave.
- Calvary Cemetery maintenance staff will adjust the location if not correctly placed.
- No pre-drilled holes are allowed in concrete foundation

#### Ornamentation

- No plants may be planted in the ground or allowed on graves
- Calvary Cemetery reserves the right to remove any ornamentation that either interferes with normal cemetery maintenance or is not kept neat and trimmed.
  - No solar lights on the ground
  - Solar lights may only be place in plant stands
- No permanent items may be placed or set within the cemetery grounds without permission of the Calvary Cemetery Advisory Council.
- Christmas wreaths are permitted and may be placed on graves after the first of November.
- Calvary Cemetery will be cleaned once per year, normally during mid to late April. At that time, any items that are on the graves will be removed and thrown away. Items that you wish to keep should be removed prior to that time.

# **Memorials**

# **Flat Type**

- All memorials shall be constructed of granite only. No other material is permitted.
- They must be of approved materials and must be set flush with the ground.
- All flat markers must be 4 inches thick and include a 4-inch concrete border. The marker cannot be set above the border.
- Only one marker per single grave is allowed.
- Crosses or other grave markers of wood, iron, cement, or any like material are strictly prohibited, except the standard bronze insignia provided for the grave of Veterans.
- Duplication of the design of any memorial is not permitted in a location sufficiently near the original to make the duplication readily noticeable.
- The top surface of all flat grass markers must be smooth finished. All outside top edges must be slightly beveled to prevent chipping.
- Memorials shall be set on the space designated by Calvary Cemetery Advisory Council.
- The Calvary Cemetery Advisory Council reserves and shall have the right to correct any error that may be made by its employees or by any other person or persons in the location or placing of a memorial in the cemetery.
- No pre-drilled holes are allowed in concrete foundation

#### **Monuments**

 Monuments are memorials, also known as head stones, which are placed by or over the grave. Monuments are made of granite and are upright in position, extending above the ground.

### Family

• Monuments are only allowed with the purchase of four graves as shown.



- Single and 2 grave upright options are only available in Section E.
- All monuments require a concrete foundation that should not exceed 84 inches in length, 4 inches thick and 24 inches wide. (see Calvary Cemetery Rates and Sizes).
- Granite monument base shall not exceed 76 inches in length and 14 inches wide, centered on the concrete base.
- The total height of the monument shall not exceed 50 inches without written consent of Calvary Cemetery Advisory Council.
- All monuments must be polished on the front and back of the panel and the top of the base.
  - 1. Should any memorial become unsightly, dilapidated or a menace to life and limb, the Calvary Cemetery Advisory Council reserves the right to remove or repair it. Any cost incurred shall be at the expense of the lot owner's family.
  - 2. If any memorial become unsightly, dilapidated or a menace to life and limb and is replaced, it must meet the rules and regulations governing new memorials and installation.
  - The Cemetery Advisory Council reserves the right to reject any memorial by reason of failure to abide by the rules and regulations governing memorials or their installation.
- Monuments that are 30 inches or taller must be stainless steel pinned and doweled.
- Bench monuments, above ground niche monuments, and any monument outside the scope below must be pre-approved by the Calvary Cemetery Advisory Council prior to the placement of the order.
- Surface burial vaults, constructed of cement, concrete, artificial cast stone will not be permitted in the cemetery.
- No pre-drilled holes are allowed in concrete foundation

#### **Veteran Grave Markers**

The United States Government furnishes markers for the graves of veterans. There are two types of markers supplied at no cost to the veteran. They are:

- Upright type: This monument is 42". This monument is not permitted in Calvary Cemetery at this time.
- Flat type: This marker is placed flush with the ground. This type of marker is permitted in Calvary Cemetery at this time if it meets the following requirements.
  - Must be flat and set flush with the ground.
  - o Marker cannot be larger than 24 inches long by 12 inches wide by 4 inches thick.
  - Must include a 4-inch concrete border.

## **Vaults**

- All interments require an outer burial container or a vault.
- Definition of outer container or vault: It must be constructed of an unbreakable, non-biodegradable outer container large enough to contain a casket or an urn with ashes that is sealable.

## **Graves Exchanges and Returns**

- Graves are non-transferable and only can be sold back to Calvary Cemetery Advisory Council at the original purchase price.
- New grave purchases will be at current grave pricing

