

CEDAR HILL CEMETERY

DECORATION POLICY

At Cedar Hill Cemetery, we know that surviving families will have the desire to decorate the gravesites of a loved one. It is our responsibility to maintain the cemetery in a dignified and orderly manner. Sometimes, the desire or need to personalize a grave with decorations may conflict with our need to manage the grounds. Two dates to keep in mind: April 1st and November 1st.

April 1st – October 31st: During the mowing season we only permit live flowers. Artificial decorations are a safety hazard, for our staff and the general public.

Artificial items include, but are not limited to:

- Plastic, silk, or wired flowers.
- Bricks, rocks, fences, or borders (prohibited year-round).
- Glass containers, alcohol, or food.
- Tobacco or lighters.
- Porcelain, glass, metal, concrete or wooden objects.
- Clothing, hats, sunglasses, etc.

Live plantings may not exceed 8 inches from the front of the stone and are prohibited at the side and back of the stone. The planting of trees, bushes, shrubs or any spreading plant is strictly prohibited. Plantings that do not conform to these rules will be removed without notification. We reserve the right to remove any and all unsightly, undignified, or excessive plantings and artificial decorations. When placing any item out in the cemetery, you are placing it at your own risk. We are NOT responsible for any items broken, stolen, or removed by our staff.

On holidays that fall between April 1st – October 31st (Easter, Mother's Day, birthday, etc.), cut flowers may be placed on graves 3 days prior to the holiday. Cut flowers must be removed 7 days after the holiday or they will be removed by our staff.

November 1st – March 31st: Artificial decorations are permitted. During the fall and winter months artificial decorations produce little to no obstacles and with discretion, are allowed. Wreaths and silk flowers are the typical choices. The use of bricks, rocks, fences, and borders are strongly prohibited year-round. We reserve the right to remove anything deemed excessive or unsightly without notification.

As always, our goal is to maintain a place of beauty and dignity. Our policies are set forth only to protect the history and integrity of one of Newark's most beautiful places. If you have any questions or concerns, contact the office at (740)-670-7775. Our office hours are Monday – Friday, 8:00AM to 4:30PM.
