

Lakeside Cemetery Grave Decoration Policies

The Founders of Lakeside Cemetery envisioned Lakeside to be a place of sanctuary, solitude, quiet adornment, and natural beauty. In keeping with this vision, and to ensure the safety of our lawn mowing staff and guests, the Board of Trustees has updated Lakeside's Grave Decoration Policies.

Important Dates

Seasonal grave decoration and plant material should be removed by April 15 and October 15 each year. Winter evergreen displays are permitted after Nov 1. You are responsible for removing worn and out-of-season flowers.

Memorial Day

Pots and decorations of any kind may not be placed on the ground except for the period beginning Friday before Memorial Day and ending the Wednesday following to accommodate the mowing schedule.

Grave Decoration

Up to one headstone and one foot stone is permitted on a grave space. The Board of Trustees approves all stone design and placement.

Plant Stands

Up to two plant stands are permitted on a single grave and are the "home" for all grave decorations. Ideally, concrete plant stand holes will be installed as part of the monument/marker foundation. Otherwise, plant stands must be placed in the ground next to and in line with, the monument/marker. Plant stands may be purchased at the office. Lakeside reserves the right to remove plants stands that are unused for a year or more or are damaged.

Live Plants Encouraged

We encourage you to use live plants whenever possible. Artificial flowers are permitted if the colors and plant appearance are common to Minnesota, are "in season", and in good condition. Please take care to anchor artificial flowers in the pots so that they will not blow. Planting flowers or shrubs on graves is not permitted.

- Decorations may not be glued to the the monument.
- Balloons, streamers, wind socks, pinwheels are not permitted.
- Decorations may not be hung from the plant stands.
- Solar lights and artificial flowers are permitted if placed securely in the flower pot.
- Decorations, knick knacks, stones, glassware or stoneware or any other material may not be placed on the monument foundation.
- Large flags and flag poles are not permitted. Small flags are permitted if placed in flower pots.
- Winter evergreen displays may be placed on tripods but must be anchored.

Founders Columbarium

No items may be taped, glued, or placed on top of the the columbarium.

Flower pots placed on plant stands may be placed in designated areas in the columbarium garden. All relevant grave decoration policies apply.

Irving Todd Boulder Garden and Curry Woods Scattering Garden

These areas are designed for natural beauty and simplicity. Flowers or decorations of any kind are not permitted excepted for the Memorial Day holiday period as outlined above.

Removal of Items

The Board of Trustees reserves the right to remove materials that are unsightly or do not follow Lakeside policy. Staff will either discard items or leave them for pick up. The pick up location is near the dumpster by the office.