

GENERAL REGULATIONS

1. No interment shall be permitted, or memorial placed in or on any property not fully paid for except by special permission of the City of Cleveland.
2. Not more than one body, or the remains of more than one body, shall be interred in one grave, vault, or crypt without special permission from the City of Cleveland
3. No interment of any body, or the cremated remains of any body, other than that of a human being will be allowed.
4. No transfer or assignment of any plot, or interest therein, shall be valid without same being made in presence of the Cemetery Sexton of the City of Cleveland.
5. No firearms, alcoholic beverages, or refreshments are allowed in any City cemetery.
6. Operating hours of all City cemeteries are from 8:00 a.m. until dark. Any unauthorized entrance after sundown is prohibited whether gates are open or not.
7. No children under the age of fifteen are allowed in any City cemetery unless accompanied by an adult.
8. No funeral arrangements shall be made for Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, or New Years Day.
9. The maximum number of plots that can be purchased by a family is twelve (12).
10. The Cemetery Sexton will open and close all graves in City owned cemeteries.
11. No unauthorized vehicle of any kind will be permitted to drive on unpaved areas of any City cemetery.
12. The Sexton shall have the full right to fill and level graves and plant grass thereon. No grave mounds whatsoever shall be permitted.

FLOWERS AND DECORATIONS

1. No flower receptacles may be placed on any plot unless of approved size and design, and set wholly beneath the level of the lawn.
2. Christmas wreaths placed on graves may be permitted to remain until January 15th, after which time the Sexton will remove same from cemetery.
3. The plot owner will not be permitted to plant flowers, trees, shrubs, or place any other object on plots without special permission of the City of Cleveland. In cases where special permission is granted, the owner of the lot must care for and keep the lot in a neat and orderly manner himself/herself, or such objects shall be removed by the Sexton.
4. Potted plants such as Easter lilies, tulips, etc., will be allowed only at Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Memorial Day and other religious holidays. They will be allowed to remain for one (1) week or until the Sexton sees fit to remove them after the one week period.
5. Cut flowers in metal or concrete vases and set wholly beneath the level of the lawn, will be allowed to remain until they become wilted and unsightly.
6. All types of floral arrangements will be permitted for any and all burial services in the cemetery. At such time as the flowers become wilted and unsightly, the Sexton shall remove them.
7. Flower vases will be permitted of the style that mount at ground level and must be installed under the direct supervision of the Cemetery Sexton.

MONUMENTS AND MARKERS

1. Temporary markers, such as may be furnished by a funeral home, may be permitted for a period of not longer than ninety (90) days.
2. No person or company will be permitted to erect monuments, markers, or stones in any City owned cemetery without first securing a permit from the Cemetery Sexton, for which there will be no additional charge.
3. A minimum of one (1) days notice will be given to allow sufficient time for the Sexton to properly locate the grave.
4. All unused materials must be removed from the cemetery upon completion of the erection of any stone.
5. All monuments shall have a base at least six (6) inches larger than the monument, and shall be a sufficient foundation to hold the monument in a permanent upright position.



*** AS OF JANUARY 1, 2023, THERE WILL BE NO LEDGER MARKERS ALLOWED IN ANY CLEVELAND CEMETERIES, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Rules and Regulations

NORTH CLEVELAND CEMETERY SPECIAL REGULATIONS

1. No flower receptacles may be placed on any plot unless metal and of approved size and design, and set wholly beneath the level of the lawn.
2. Markers for the North Cleveland Cemetery will be one (1) foot wide and two (2) feet long for a single grave. A double grave marker will be one (1) foot wide and as long as six (6) feet.
3. All markers in Lots "A" through "G" shall be flat or beveled no more than 8 inches high set at ground level on a foundation of cement, sand and gravel with a six (6) inch border of concrete leveled, smooth and uniform.
4. Lots "H" through "S" shall be set aside for those who desire the above-ground type monuments. A person desiring to place a family monument must own at least six (6) plots. The family monument will not be taller than twenty-six (26) inches and may be as long as eight (8) feet. The base will not be wider than two (2) feet. The individual markers on these graves will be one (1) foot wide and two (2) feet long, four and one half (4 ½) inches high on the low side and six (6) inches high on the high side. All stones will be set in a foundation of cement, sand and gravel sufficient to hold them in a permanent upright position. There will be a six (6) inch border of concrete at ground level. To insure uniformity all stones will be of gray granite.
5. All single and double grave markers will be set at the outer end of the grave as they appear on the lot and family stones will be set in the center.
6. Plots being purchased in Lots "L" through "S" must be purchased in groups of either 2, 4, or 6.
7. The maximum number of plots that can be purchased at one time is twelve (12).

OLD CLEVELAND CEMETERY SPECIAL REGULATIONS

1. No foundation for single grave markers or stones will be longer than two (2) feet, and foundations for double stones will not be longer than six (6) feet.
2. All foundations must consist of cement, sand and gravel or rock in sufficient amount as to hold the stone in a permanent upright position.
3. There will be a six (6) inch margin of concrete around each stone at ground level. This margin will be level and smooth to permit easy mowing.

WESTLAWN MEMORIAL GARDENS SPECIAL REGULATIONS

1. The maximum number of plots that can be bought at one time is twelve (12).
2. Grave markers for Westlawn Cemetery Second Addition shall be a maximum of one (1) foot wide and two (2) feet long for a single grave and for a double marker a maximum of one (1) foot wide and may be as long as six (6) feet, at ground level on a foundation of concrete with a six (6) inch border of concrete, leveled, smooth, and uniform

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CITY OF CLEVELAND

Cleveland, Mississippi

**New Cleveland Cemetery
North Cleveland Cemetery
Old Cleveland Cemetery
Westlawn Memorial Gardens**

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