



Nassau Knolls Cemetery

Planting and Decorating Regulations:

The cemetery's management is committed to the goal that our cemetery is well maintained and safe for all our families and visitors. As with all the other local cemeteries, rules and regulations which play a most important part in the beautification and preservation of the resting place of our loved ones. They are intended not as restraining, but rather as defining an orderly plan of operation, care and permanent maintenance. The placement of items, whether floral or some other type, is regulated for the common good of all gravesites, crypts, and niches.

All gravesites:

Many families wish to decorate their loved one's burial place as an expression of their love and caring. The cemetery attempts to balance these desires with practical concerns of safety and maintenance. While not everyone will agree with all the rules, we ask for your understanding that by adhering to them you contribute to our common goal, a well-kept and safe cemetery.

Certain decorations are prohibited in order to protect the safety of our employees, families, and visitors. The list of prohibited decorations includes, but is not limited to:

Paper or plastic items

Toys

Boxes

Shells

Ceramic statues

Rocks

Metal designs

Ornaments

Chairs/settees

Wood/iron cases

Balloons

Glass

Plant holders

Pinwheels

Glass Candles

**** All Prohibited items will be removed without notice****

Only cemetery approved vases are allowed on graves/crypt fronts.

Christmas and winter holiday decorations in the form of a wreath or blanket may be placed on the gravesites from Thanksgiving and will be removed beginning February 1st.

Due to the cemetery being open to the public, we cannot guarantee plants and decorations from theft and vandalism. (see our General Rules & Regulations)

Memorial Park Planting Regulations: What is permitted?

For our flat bronze marker sections, no permanent plantings are permitted. Fresh flowers only may be placed on the grave or in a bronze or plastic vase. Artificial bouquets may be used only during the winter months (Thanksgiving through Easter)

Community Mausoleums & Columbarium Regulations: What is permitted?

Where floral tables are provided, bouquets of fresh flowers are permitted. Artificial flowers are allowed in the floral tables from Thanksgiving through Easter. Arrangements will be removed when they become unsightly or out of season. At no time may articles or flowers be attached to crypt or niche covers as damage could occur. Only vase and flower units approved and provided by the cemetery are permitted for the crypt/niche fronts.

Headstone Planting Regulations: What is permitted?

Only annual flowers may be planted within an 18” semi-circle in front of the monument. Edging is not allowed in the area. If the bed becomes neglected and/or overgrown, the Nassau Cemetery Association will remove such plantings. No rocks or stones are to be placed on the top of the monument.

****Geraniums, marigolds and begonias are plants that are well-suited to put in the semi-circle beds****

Planting/decoration	1 grave plot	2 grave plot	3 grave plot	4 grave plot
Annual Flowers	Yes- semi circle of 18” in front of monument	Yes- semi circle of 18” in front of monument	Yes- semi circle of 18” in front of monument	Yes- semi circle of 18” in front of monument
Shrubs/Bushes	Not Permitted	Yes- one on each side of monument- max height 3 ft.	Yes- one on each side of monument- max height 3 ft.	Yes- one on each side of monument- max height 3 ft.
Artificial Flowers	Seasonal- Thanksgiving through Easter	Seasonal- Thanksgiving through Easter	Seasonal- Thanksgiving through Easter	Seasonal- Thanksgiving through Easter
Vases	Yes-Plastic vases or approved NCA vases	Yes-Plastic vases or approved NCA vases	Yes-Plastic vases or approved NCA vases	Yes-Plastic vases or approved NCA vases
Potted Plants	Not Permitted	Not Permitted	Not Permitted	Not Permitted
Flags	Flags may be placed on Memorial Day, Flag Day, the Fourth of July, and Veterans Day only. Flags should be kept to 12” in size or smaller. Flags are subject to removal by Cemetery within five (5) days of the Holiday. ***Faded, soiled, torn flags will be properly disposed***			
Prohibited items	Glass Jars, Ceramic Statues, Planters, Bottles, Toys, Balloons, Shells, Edging, Stones, Pebbles, Pinwheels, ceramic breakable vases, banners, glass candles			
Prohibited plants	Ivy, sedum, ajuga, rose bushes, Perennials, hedges, vines, etc. **Please note that all spreading plants are prohibited			

The following are acceptable dwarf plants:

Alberta Spruce
English Boxwood
Cypress Dwarf Upright

Heather of Heath Dwarf Cryptomeria
Dwarf Hinoki False Cypress
Juniper Dwarf Rhododendron

Aristata Pine
Dwarf Thread
Bird Nest Spruce

**Please be aware that if such shrubs become overgrown, are neglected, or unsightly, the Nassau Cemetery Association reserves the right to remove such plantings without notice and bill the plot owner at a reasonable fee.

The cemetery ground regulations are enforced daily. General cleanup of all sections takes place periodically throughout the year. During these times, all grave planting and decorating violations are subject to removal without notice. The cemetery reserves the right to remove items or plants that do not follow the rules and regulations of the Nassau Cemetery Association.