

# Saint Rose Cemetery

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## Rules and Regulations

1. The Saint Rose Cemetery shall operate as detailed in the Saint Rose Cemetery Constitution under the direction of the Pastor, Cemetery Director and Cemetery Board of Directors.
2. Saint Rose Cemetery management shall keep records of sales and ownership of all burial lots and columbarium niches; facilitate the opening and closing of graves and columbarium niches. Management will ensure all rules and regulations are adhered to by space holders.
3. Purchasers of lots and niches will be issued a Certificate of Ownership entitling them to the perpetual holding and use of said space for the burial or inurnment of deceased persons, subject to the rules and regulations of the cemetery, the disciplines of the Diocese of Toledo, the laws of the Catholic Church, and Federal and State laws with regards to burials. Changes or additions to the rules and regulations of the cemetery must be approved by the Board of Directors.
4. Upon the death of the owner or part-owner of a lot or niche the title of said niche will descend (transfer) to his or her heirs in equal, undivided share in accordance with the laws of descent of the State of Ohio. The spouse of said owner will retain his or her right to be interred/inurned in said lot or niche in accordance with cemetery policy and the laws of the State of Ohio. In the event both parents are buried in a single family grave, the remaining space will be handed down to the surviving children for future family burials in accordance with the written consent of all surviving children.
5. Lots or niches may be sold only to parishioners or former parishioners and may be used only by the owner and his or her immediate family [i.e. husband, wife, children and parents]. It is the goal of the cemetery to avoid separating immediate family members. Ownership of lots or niches is not transferable. A lot or niche owner may give or sell the whole of his or her lot or niche only to the cemetery at the original purchase price, less the current cost of perpetual care. If a lot or niche is purchased at the time of death and is not paid for in full at that time, arrangements must be made for full payment within 30 days in order for that space to be used.
6. Lots or niches will not be regarded as sold until full payment has been received. No burial, monument or improvement will be permitted on any lot, grave, or niche which there is an unpaid monetary balance due the cemetery. Saint Rose Cemetery reserves the right to have full payment made before burial is completed. Exceptions can only be made with the permission from cemetery management and/or Pastor.
7. Saint Rose Cemetery offers families and individuals the option to pre-pay interment, inurnment and entombment fees. The respective pre-paid interment and/or entombment \$150.00 and inurnment fees are \$75.00 over and above the current respective service fees.
8. In the single grave section there can be no choice of locations since the graves are to be filed in consecutive order. In the single grave section, monuments are prohibited and markers may not exceed twenty-four (24) inches by twelve (12) inches.
9. No more than two (2) burials will be permitted in a single grave. A "Second Burial" can only be for cremated remains (cremains), and are to be placed over a present vault, or if the first burial is of cremains, the space is reserved for cremains only. A "Second Burial Right" must be purchased for more than one burial in a given lot. The second burial right will be equal to half the price of the lot at the time of purchase. All cremains are to be treated with respect and must be inurned.

The cemetery requires a recoverable container that will not decompose if buried below ground, and/or above ground in a columbarium niche or mausoleum.

10. Grave decoration rules:
  - a. **No Alterations** to the grades of lots or locations will be permitted.
  - b. **Decorations are limited to one decoration per burial space.**
  - c. **Cut flowers** are allowed at any time in non-glass containers. Flowers will be removed when they become unsightly.
  - d. **Plastic decorations and artificial flowers** are permitted during the winter season only October 15<sup>th</sup> to March 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - e. **Potted plants** are allowed at any time during the growing season April 1<sup>st</sup> to October 15<sup>th</sup>. Containers and plants will be removed when they become unsightly.
  - f. **Installation and removal of decorations** a bi-annual cemetery cleanup of decorations, grave blankets, etc. will take place between March 1<sup>st</sup> and March 10<sup>th</sup> and also October 1<sup>st</sup> through October 15<sup>th</sup>. *All decorations families wish to retain must be removed prior to scheduled clean-up dates.* After March 15<sup>th</sup> and/or November 3<sup>rd</sup> decorations may once again be placed on graves.
  - g. **Individual plantings** the planting of shrubs or trees must be done by cemetery personnel and only on sited where allowed. Flower planting is allowed in front of upright monuments only. Planting of any type is not allowed around or in front of flush markers.
11. Trees and shrubs may not be planted by anyone other than the management of the cemetery. All trees and shrubs must be approved by cemetery management and planted by companies approved by the cemetery. If extra work is performed it will be at the expense of lot owner. If work is requested, payment for the same must be made in advance of the work being contracted.
  - a. Trees and/or shrubs that become unsightly, a safety hazard, or interfere with adjacent graves, paths, or interments; will be removed at the owner's expense.
  - b. In the event plants become overgrown, unsightly, or hazardous to adjacent graves, avenues, or paths, Saint Rose Cemetery management may, at any time, upon notice to the space holder, and at the expense of the owner take appropriate steps to correct the hazard.
  - c. Prior to invoking the rules and regulations, unless there is encroachment on adjoining lots where an interment has to be made, or has been made, Saint Rose Cemetery Management shall give (10) days written notice, to the last known owner at his or her last known address to rectify any of the conditions referred. In the event the owner does not comply with the notice, Saint Rose Cemetery Management may proceed without further notice as provided under these rules and regulations.
12. No monument or headstone will be erected in the Saint Rose Cemetery until the material, style and inscription are approved by cemetery management. **A cross, the symbol of Christian faith is required on all memorials.**
13. Monuments or markers are to be made of granite, marble or bronze. Bronze tablets must be fastened on durable stone. (*granite or marble*) The use of any metal except copper containing bronze is prohibited. Wood, plaster-of-paris, concrete, sandstone and other similar metals are not permitted in monuments to markers. Single grave markers are restricted to twenty-four (24) inches x twelve (12) inches x (4) inches thick. For double markers or monuments, the maximum dimensions shall be forty-eight (48) inches by twelve (12) inches. Family markers (3 or 4 graves) are limited to fifty-four (54) by twelve (12) inches, center on graves.
14. In conjunction with local Veterans Organizations, American flags will be placed on the burial space of all known veterans, on or just before Memorial Day. They will remain on the burial space until Veterans Day unless they interfere with cemetery maintenance, constitute a safety

hazard, or become damaged or unsightly. If the American flag is removed the space holder may place another American flag on the burial space that does not exceed 8"x10".

- a. Non Veteran space holders may place **one** American flag per burial space.
  - b. The placement of flags by space holders other than the American flag is prohibited.
  - c. American flags must be on a wooden support pole and cannot exceed 8"x10".
  - d. Flags will be removed by cemetery maintenance when they become unsightly, constitute a safety hazard or interfere with cemetery maintenance.
  - e. The cemetery is not responsible for lost, damaged or missing American flags.
15. All monument and marker foundations will be installed by an approved Saint Rose Cemetery contractor at the expense of the lot owner. Orders for foundations are to be submitted at no less than thirty (30) days in advance of anticipated delivery and installation. Foundations are scheduled for installation on a semi-annual basis.
16. Concrete, steel or fiberglass vaults must be used for all in-ground burials, except for infant burials.
17. All Columbarium niches will be opened and closed by Saint Rose Cemetery personnel only.
18. No memorials, plaques or insignias will be permitted on the Columbarium or sidewalks except those approved by Saint Rose Cemetery Management. All niche plaques will have the name of the deceased, the birth date and date of death in uniform style to conform to the Columbarium design. No other lettering or designation will be permitted without approval of the Saint Rose Cemetery Management. All approved niche plaques and insignias are to be purchased through the Saint Rose Cemetery Management and installed by approved cemetery personnel.
19. All cremated remains must be placed in Saint Rose Cemetery approved containers. The number of urns in any niche shall be under the control of the Saint Rose Cemetery Management.
20. All cemetery maintenance work, landscaping, opening and closings of graves and niches will be performed by approved cemetery personnel at complete rates as determined by Saint Rose Cemetery Management.
21. Saint Rose Cemetery Management reserves the right to change the Saint Rose Cemetery, rules, regulations and grave decoration policies at any time.

*The cemetery reserves the right to remove all decorations as soon as they become unsightly or create a safety hazard. The cemetery is not liable for lost, misplaced or damaged decorations or containers.*

*By signing this document I confirm that I have received and will comply with the Rules and Regulations that are applicable to Saint Rose Cemetery.*

Agreed and accepted by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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