

Madisonville Cemetery Association Restrictions

Monuments, Headstones, and Markers

- Designs for all monuments, headstones, and markers must be approved by the Board of the Madisonville Cemetery Association. No statues or designs that are inconsistent with a sense of dignity and respect will be permitted.
- Markers made from granite, marble and brass/bronze are acceptable. Markers made from any other materials must be approved by the Board before ordering/installation.
- Motifs on monuments, headstones, and markers must be superimposed and part of the monument.
- All monuments, headstones, and markers must be monolithic (above the base/foundation) regardless of the theme.
- No stone may bear anything of an advertising nature.
- No monument, headstone or marker will be placed on the lot unless the lot is paid for.

Use of Property: Planting and Decorations

- No shrubs or trees will be planted without the prior, written approval of the Board of The Madisonville Cemetery Association.
- No flowerbeds will be allowed.
- Enclosures (borders) for family lots will be allowed if they are concrete or natural cut stone and protrude no more than 3" above grade. Landscape timbers, plastic fencing, bricks and similar materials are not allowed.
- Vigil or solar lights are not permitted.
- Urns for flowers should either be of non-breakable material or be a permanent fixture to the headstone, monument, or marker. Glass vases are prohibited.

- Potted plants, baskets, and flowers will be permitted at Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day, and Memorial Day or any other day that commemorates a special occasion including, but not limited to, a birthday or anniversary. Wreaths or sprays of natural evergreens are allowed during the Christmas season. All such decorations are to be removed ten (10) days after the specific holiday or as soon as they become faded or unsightly. Maintenance crews will periodically discard all real and/or artificial flowers and decorations that have faded, are broken, or deemed inappropriate by the Board of Madisonville Cemetery Association.
- The cemetery will not be responsible for any flowers, decorations, holders, other devices or receptacles placed on a grave.
- Prohibited items include, but are not limited to: Stepping stones, wooden benches, trellises, headboards, fences or similar enclosures around lots or graves, items hanging from trees/shrubbery, bird feeders, bird houses, bird baths, balloons, pinwheels, wind chimes, wooden signs, banners, shepherd's hooks, statues, glass objects/containers, ceramic objects/containers, rocks, shells, toys, stuffed animals, perpetual or solar lights, candles, gravel, lawn ornaments, mulch, pennants, pottery items, poles, rods, rocks, shells, signs, tin decorations, tinsel or edging.

Conduct of Visitors

- No person shall, within cemetery limits, gather any wild or cultivated flowers, or disturb any floral design or vase.
- No person shall write upon or mark on any monument, gravestone or other structure planned or designed as a memorial for the deceased.

- No person shall ride a bicycle within cemetery limits, except a lot owner, for purposes of visiting his own lot or deceased member.
- No person shall enter or remain in a cemetery for any purpose other than to attend a funeral, care for a lot or grave, or visit a lot or grave.
- No person shall engage in loud talking or boisterous conduct of any sort in the cemetery, nor bring refreshments or alcoholic beverages into the cemetery.
- No person taking care of his own lot or the lot of another shall leave weeds, flowers, grass, or rubbish of any sort on any other lot or on any of the paths or roads of the cemetery.
- No person shall place, throw, deposit, discharge or cause to be placed, thrown, deposited or discharged, any trash, bottles, cans, refuse, garbage, debris, scrap waste, or any other material of any kind on any path, road, lot or any land within the cemetery limits.
- Any person found to be in violation of any of the above provisions of the city ordinances, or of any cemetery rules or regulations, shall be subject to prosecution to the maximum extent allowable under all applicable laws, regulations, rules, and ordinances.
- The provisions shall not be applicable to any cemetery personnel, any member of the police or fire departments, or any other city employee if compliance with such provision would interfere with the ability of that person to properly perform the duties of his position.

Maintenance

- Maintenance is under the direction and supervision of the Board of The Madisonville Cemetery Association. This includes: upkeep of lots including mowing and trimming of

grass; removal of unsightly decorations, trimming of trees and shrubs.

- This maintenance does not include trimming of bushes or trees on individual lots.
- All Subcontractors, retained by plot owners, must provide proof of valid Liability and Property Damage Insurance that lists the Madisonville Cemetery Association Inc. as an additionally insured party.

Disinterment

- For a Disinterment, a Funeral Director must be engaged to ensure compliance with state laws. During any disinterment, no person other than the cemetery personnel, Funeral Directors, law enforcement, or Vault Company Personnel shall be allowed within one hundred feet of gravesite.