

**CALEDONIA TOWNSHIP**  
**COUNTY OF ALCONA – SPRUCE, MICHIGAN**  
**PLEASANT VIEW CEMETERY GUIDELINES**  
**ORD 05-002 Rev 05/2022**

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**DEFINITION OF CEMETERY LOTS AND BURIAL SPACES**

Each cemetery lot shall consist of burial spaces sufficient to accommodate from one to eight spaces. Cemetery is divided into three sections. The original and the 1st addition have burial spaces measuring 8'x4'. The 2nd addition has burial spaces measuring 10'x4'.

**PRICING**

A. Each gravesite in the Original are SOLD OUT. The 1<sup>st</sup> addition has some plots available plot sizes are sold individually (8'X4' section) at a price of 100.00 for property tax payers and/or registered voters verified for Caledonia Township or \$175.00 for all other purchasers. The 2<sup>nd</sup> addition section gravesites are sold individually (10'x4' section) at a rate of \$150.00 for property tax payers and/or registered voters verified for Caledonia Township or \$300.00 for all other purchasers. To be paid by check or money order to Caledonia Township.

B. The Township Board may periodically alter the foregoing fees to accommodate increased costs with an approved motion. With each price change this notice will be updated and noted with a new revision date as seen at bottom of this notice.

**GRAVE OPENING CHARGES**

A. The Township will not be responsible for the opening and closing of graves.

B. Grave opening charges shall be handled through funeral directors and made payable to the Township of Caledonia at the rate \$650.00 for vault grave digging (50.00 withheld by Township for perpetual care) for M-F rate and \$750.00 (50.00 held by Township for perpetual care) for vault grave digging for Saturday or Sundays and \$900.00 (50.00 held by Township for perpetual care) for vault grave digging on Holidays and \$100.00 (25.00 held for perpetual care) for cremation digging. Over-sized urns (bigger than 1x1x1 foot will be charged 150.00 (25.00 for perpetual care).

C. Any stone already placed prior to burial, which cannot be moved by hand, and needs to be moved to add another person to plot, an additional \$25.00 fee will be added to the cost.

**MARKERS OR MEMORIALS**

A. All markers or memorials must be of stone or other equally durable composition.

B. Any large, upright monuments must be located upon a suitable solid foundation to maintain the same, in an erect position.

C. Every new burial from 04/01/22 must have an approved grave marker in place within a year. Contact cemetery sexton if you have questions.

**INTERMENT REGULATIONS**

A. Only one person may be buried in a burial space except for one parent and infant, or two children buried at the same time, remains of two (2) cremated bodies, or one person and a cremated body if buried at the same time. Only one headstone may be used on each burial space.

B. The appropriate permit for the burial space involved, together with appropriate identification of the person to be buried therein, where necessary, shall be presented to the Sexton prior to interment. The undertaker shall furnish the Sexton with a death certificate and burial location.

C. All graves shall be in an orderly and neat appearing manner within the confines of the burial space involved.

D. Every non-cremation burial will require a vault. Every cremation burial will require an urn. Except is to religious beliefs such as Jewish Law/Faith.

### **GROUND MAINTENANCE**

A. No trees/bushes shall be planted. Flowers may be planted at owner's risk.

B. The Caledonia Township Board reserves the right to remove or trim any tree, plant, or shrub located within the cemetery in the interest of maintaining appearance and the use of the cemetery and surrounding plots.

C. The Caledonia Township Board shall have the right and authority to remove and dispose of any and all growth, emblems, displays or containers therefore, that through decay, deterioration, damage or otherwise, become unsightly, a source of litter, or a maintenance problem.

D. Mounds, which hinder the free use of a lawn mower or other gardening apparatus, are prohibited.

E. All refuse of any kind or nature including dried flowers, wreaths, papers, and flower containers, among others, must be removed and disposed of properly.

F. Artificial, cut or plotted flowers, wreathes, and grave blankets are permissible. Grave blankets can be affixed after October 1st and must be removed by May 1st.

G. Future permanent retaining walls are prohibited.

### **RECORDS**

The Sexton shall maintain records concerning all burials, and or burial permits, separate and apart from and records of the Township, and the same shall be open to public inspection at all reasonable business hours.

### **CEMETERY HOURS**

A. The cemetery shall be open to the public during daylight hours from April 1st thru Dec 1st (weather permitting). NO person shall be permitted in the Township cemetery at any time other than the foregoing hours, except upon permission of the Township Board.

B. All off-road vehicles are prohibited in the cemetery at all times.