

OAKWOOD CEMETARY FAQ's

Q. How do I purchase property in Oakwood Cemetery?

A. Plots can be purchased at City Hall, located at 310 Greenwood St., Grand Ledge, Michigan 48837. Cash/Check only.

Q. What months are burials permitted?

A. Burials are permitted year-round at Oakwood Cemetery.

Funerals arriving after 3:30 p.m. on weekdays, all funerals on Saturdays, and all funerals on President's Day, Veteran's Day, Good Friday, the Friday after Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve will be assessed an additional charge.

No burials are allowed on Sunday, Easter, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, or New Year's Day.

Q. Are "Green Burials" permitted?

A. At this time, green burials are not permitted in Oakwood Cemetery.

Q. Are natural and/or homemade markers permitted?

A. No. All markers and monuments shall be made of granite. Homemade markers and markers made of other materials such as marble, wood, plastic, cement or steel are prohibited.

Q. How do I get a marker placed on a plot?

A. All markers and monuments must have foundations and shall not be delivered until a foundation is installed and payment is made in full. Orders for foundations shall be placed a minimum of two weeks in advance of delivery. Foundations will not be poured between October 1 and April 30. Contact City Hall at 517-627-2149 to order a foundation.

Q. Can I plant flowers or trees near a marker?

A. In Oakwood Cemetery, flowers may be planted within eighteen inches of a marker or monument, and under no circumstances shall plantings be allowed outside the boundaries of the owner's plot(s), no sod shall be removed which is not next to a marker or monument and then not more than eighteen inches, and plantings may be set next to markers or monuments, but must be kept free from grass and weeds. Planting or removal of trees and shrubbery is prohibited unless approved by the Superintendent or Sexton as to species, variety, location, and time of planting.

Q. Can I decorate a marker?

A. Artificial flowers and wreaths, and grave blankets are allowed only from November 1 through March 31. The Sexton will remove all artificial flowers and wreaths, and all grave blankets on April 1. Artificial flowers shall not be placed in the ground. Artificial flowers and wreaths may be placed in the mausoleum at any time; however, the Sexton will removed them each year prior to Memorial Day.

Q. How can I find the burial location for a specific person?

A. Burial locations can be found online on our website, as well as a detailed map of Oakwood Cemetery.