

Cemetery Board

The Cemetery is managed by the Cemetery Board, in accordance with Risen Savior's Constitution Bylaws, with 3 Elected Members, 1 Elder, Pastor, and Congregation President.

The Board oversees the perpetual care duties of the Cemetery, maintenance and ongoing enhancements of the grounds.

The Board keeps accurate records on file for all transactions of graves and burials with its precise location, in the church Burial Records file.

The Board reports each interment to the County of Leavenworth and is responsible to ensure the Cemetery meets all standards required by the State of Kansas, Leavenworth County.

For purchasing a Burial Plot, contact the church 913-724-2900 or stop by the church office.

In the truest sense, the last great act of faith that a believer may exhibit from their life is in the funeral and burial. While the believer's soul is in perfect bliss in heaven, we see in Scripture the great care and significance given to the body of the loved one who has died. Notable examples include Abraham burying Sarah, Joseph's body brought to Israel, Lazarus' burial, disciples taking John the Baptist body and the first martyr after our Lord's Ascension, Stephen. The most significant of all burials in the Scriptures is that of our Lord Himself. Within these recorded events we are taught of faith, redemption, inheritance, the promise of Christ, and resurrection. For believers, the grave is a symbol not only of the part they played in history here on earth; they will one day rise from there and be glorified with Christ!

Memorial Trees

Each tree, with its granite marker, is available for **\$400.00**. This is at our cost.

Tree selection, location, and planting time are determined by the Cemetery Board.

Everyone is welcome to purchase a Memorial Tree; they need not be congregation members. Note memorials for pets cannot be accepted.



Our "In Memory Of" markers are formatted for one name with birth and death dates. Should you desire one slightly modified, for example with both parents, or peoples listed, those names would need to fit on 2 lines, as dates would not be included.



**RISEN SAVIOR
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**RISEN SAVIOR
CEMETERY**



**Established
Transfiguration Sunday 2015 A.D.**

A Church Cemetery is sacred ground unto the Lord and His people. The burial of the dead is a confession of faith and most fitting for a Church to provide the land; an expression that the saints buried there had spent their lives in the service of Christ and now await resurrection on Christ's return.

Burial Plots

\$500 Purchased by congregation member/their family.

\$1000 Purchased by a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Prices are set by the Cemetery Board through Risen Savior congregation and are subject to change. The price is for the Grave Lot only. The funeral home will provide services and fees of opening/closing gravesite, burial device, tent, chairs, vaults. All Plot purchases and gifts to the Cemetery are secured in an account separate from all congregation funds and used only within the guidelines of the Cemetery By-Laws.

- ◆ The Cemetery Board will issue a Burial Deed and a copy will be maintained in the Cemetery Records. The purchaser is regarded as having obtained a limited property right; he or she acquires a privilege to bury, exclusive of all other people, in the purchased grave provided. The terms of the Burial Deed are binding to current Risen Savior Cemetery By -Laws.
- ◆ The Deed cannot be transferred unless the Transferee meets requirements of By-Law Section 4.1. A letter of transfer must be signed and notarized by all persons listed as grantees on the original deed and by any assigns of the grave the grantee wishes to transfer. The original Deed must be returned. A new Deed is then issued and recorded, along with the Transfer letter. Deeds may be gifted back to the Cemetery but are not refundable.
- ◆ Cremation will be treated the same as interment. Two cremains per grave plot will be allowed or one cremains *after* an existing casket interment in one grave plot.

General Information

- ◆ Every *other* row of plots allows for upright headstones. Flat headstones may be used in any row of the Cemetery.
- ◆ Headstones.
 - Upright headstones must also have supporting concrete footing and level with surrounding ground. It must not exceed 48" height. An apron must extend so there is a minimum 4" inch border on all sides.
 - Bench headstones and footers not allowed.
 - Headstones must be placed within and in alignment of the west boundary of the grave.
- ◆ The Burial Deed owners, their heirs, or other responsible party must ensure the headstones comply with the By-Laws of Risen Savior Cemetery. Symbols or words that represent or contradict the Christian faith are prohibited. The family must consult the Cemetery Board **prior** to placing an order for headstone to ensure it complies with the Cemetery By-laws.



Decorations

- ◆ Potted or artificial flowers and wreaths may be placed next to headstones, provided they do not interfere with mowing. Dilapidated flowers and wreaths will be removed and at other times at the Cemetery Board discretion.
- ◆ Flower containers and wreath holders must be non-glass, non-breakable. In ground holders may be used but must be installed so the top is level with the surrounding ground.
- ◆ Fences, structures, statuary, borders, or other obstructions are not permitted at graves. Toys, boxes, windmills, wind chimes, bird feeders, food, glass, metal, and wire and other such objects are not permitted.

Ongoing work of enhancements, statues, and plantings are completed as funds available.

