



Fitzhugh Cemetery Rules & Regulations

These Rules and Regulations are hereby adopted by the Fitzhugh Cemetery Board of Directors. All owners of interment rights, visitors, and contractors performing work within the cemetery shall be subject to said Rules and Regulations and amendments as shall be adopted by the Board of Directors.

Article 1 DEFINITIONS:

1.1 The term "Cemetery" shall mean Fitzhugh Cemetery.

1.2 The term "Cemetery Officer" shall mean any member of the Board of Directors.

The Board of Directors shall consist of the following;

1.2a Nine (9) Board of Directors elected by the association members, each for three-year terms.

1.3 The term "Owner" shall mean the owner of rights or interment.

1.4 The term "interment" shall mean burial of the remains of a deceased person.

1.5 the term "Memorial" shall mean any marker or structure upon or in any lot or niche, placed thereupon or therein or partially therein for the purpose of identification or in memory of the interred.

1.6 The term "Contractor" as used in these Rules and Regulations shall mean any person, firm or corporation or any one engaged in placing, erecting or repairing any memorial, or performing any work in the cemetery grounds, other than a cemetery employee.

Article 2 ASSIGNMENT OF INTERMENT RIGHTS:

2.1 Persons desiring to obtain interment rights in the Fitzhugh Cemetery are referred to the FITZHUGH ASSOCIATION who will arrange to assist the person by showing the plans and available lots of the cemeteries. Upon having made a lot selection and full payment of fees and charges the President will issue interment rights which will give title to the cemetery lot. The President will then record the title in the Association Records.

2.2 Assignment of Interment Rights shall be made to Residents of Collin County at rates adopted by the Board of Cemetery Directors. Interment rights may be assigned to non-residents at the discretion of the Board of Cemetery Directors, who will also determine the fee for same.

2.3 Non-resident Interment rights can be assigned in a cemetery only with the written approval of the board of Cemetery Directors, and subject to the Rules and Regulations of said cemetery now or hereafter adopted for the government of said cemetery, and for the purpose of interment only.

- 2.4 No interment rights or contracts for the assignment of interment rights can be sold, assigned, transferred, pledged or hypothecated without the written approval of the Board of Cemetery Directors.
- 2.5 The reassignment of any interment right by any Owner or assignee, shall be prohibited unless same shall first be duly made in writing to the Fitzhugh Association and then such Interment right must be reconveyed to the Board of Cemetery Directors; the Board of Cemetery Directors shall assign to the new Owner. This procedure is required in order that the Board of Cemetery Directors may at all times have a complete and accurate record of all owners.
- 2.6 The subdivision of Interment rights is not allowed without consent of the Board of Cemetery Directors.
- 2.7 All interment rights are assigned subject to payment of the amount posted in the Fitzhugh By-laws. All work on lots, all opening and closing of lots, all interments and disinterments shall be performed under the direction of the Board of Cemetery Directors, except when permission is otherwise granted.
- 2.8 The authorized Board of Cemetery Directors shall direct generally all improvements within the grounds and upon all lots and graves, before as well as after interments have been made therein.
- 2.9 If any memorial, or any structure whatsoever, or any inscription to be placed on same, shall be determined by the Board of Cemetery Directors to be offensive, they shall have the right and it shall be their duty, to enter upon such lot and remove, change or correct the offensive or improper object or objects.
- 2.10 If any tree, shrub or plant standing upon any lot, by means of its roots, branches, or otherwise, is or becomes detrimental to adjacent lots or avenues, or if for any other reason its removal is deemed necessary, the Board of Cemetery Directors shall have the right and it shall be their duty, to correct the existing condition.
- 3.1 No person shall be permitted in the cemeteries on a bicycle, except on designated roadways. All vehicles shall remain on said roadways.
- 3.2 Alcoholic beverages in the cemeteries are strictly forbidden.
- 3.3 Only living plants, flowers and memorial insignia are permitted as grave decoration. Items not permitted as decorations include, but are not limited to, solar lights, hanger poles (shepherds hooks), sports décor, pinwheels, glass/ceramic items, fencing or borders. Apart from vases, all items left at grave sites must be placed on the marker stone. Items that infringe upon the groundskeepers/mowers will be removed.
- 3.4 The Board of Cemetery Directors is not responsible for theft or damage to anything placed on graves or lots.
- 3.5 Only concrete or metal vaults approved by the Board of Cemetery Directors will be permitted.
- 3.6 All monuments must be placed with an appropriate footing at the head of lots. Prior to placing a marker or monument, a permit (at no cost) must be obtained from the President. Markers and monuments must be of traditional stone or metal composition and shall not exceed three feet in height.
- 3.7 All persons are reminded that the grounds are sacredly devoted to the burial of the deceased, and that the provisions and penalties of the law, as provided by statute, will be strictly enforced in all cases of wanton injury, disturbance and disregard of the rules.

4.1 All work and all planting of any kind on all lots and graves is prohibited, with the exception of a planting of flowers, which may be done close to monument stones and must be maintained by the Owners or family. The Board of Cemetery Directors has the right to direct the removal of any inappropriate decorations, flowers, potted plants, and wreaths when they become withered. Trees and shrubs which have died or become unsightly shall be removed by the Directors. The Directors are ordered to make such removals when in their judgment it is in the best interests of the cemetery.

4.2 Urns or flower boxes (no more than 3 feet in length) may be placed close to the monument stones but must not be placed on other parts of lots.

4.3 Planting, maintenance of lots, and placing of monuments contrary to the Cemetery Rules and Regulations will be corrected at the direction of the Board of Cemetery Directors at the Owner's expense.

4.4 Special cases may arise in which the literal enforcement of a rule may impose unnecessary hardship. The Board of Cemetery Directors therefore reserves the right, without notice, to make exceptions, suspensions or modifications in any of the Rules and Regulations when, in its judgment, the same appear advisable. Temporary exceptions, suspension or modification shall in no way be construed as affecting the general application of such rules and regulations.

4.5 Future grave lots are to be laid out in such locations and sizes as the Board of Cemetery Directors shall designate.

The rules and articles have been approved and accepted

by the Board of Directors on May 4, 2024.

signed Bill Fowler

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