

Town of Blades Cemetery
Memorial Addition
By-Laws

INASMUCH as the Town of Blades has added an addition, herein to be called THE MEMORIAL ADDITION, and

WHEREAS, there are certain needed By-laws not affected in the existing Cemetery, now therefore

The Town of Blades Cemetery Commission (hereinafter called THE COMMISSION) having been established by and through an Act of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Blades in open and general session the 10th day of March, A.D. 1986, does hereby establish the following rules and regulations to be known as “BY-LAWS”, as follows:

- I. That The Commission shall maintain the aforesaid Memorial Addition in a manner befitting perpetual care, mowing grass, cleaning of debris, planting of grass seed as needed and other such matters of care.
- II. Any purchaser of any plot shall erect a monument only in the following dimensions:
 1. On any double plot, a plot that is eight feet by ten feet (8' x 10'), no monument known as a “Head Stone” may be erected, nor cause to be erected, which shall exceed six feet (6') in length, nor more than six feet (6') in height, nor more than a base width of twenty-four inches (24").
 - (a) No foot-stone, corner stone posts, nor any border shall be erected, nor cause to be erected, which shall be above the level of the soil, that is, the above shall be below the grass line and down to the soil.
 - (b) There shall not be erected any monument which shall be of any manner of a so-called “Home-Made” in nature.

(c) There shall be only one monument or marker above ground level, that is, the monument or marker mentioned in the above and to be known as “Head-Stone”.

2. On any single plot, a plot that is four feet by ten feet (4’ x 10’), no monument know as “Head-Stone” may be erected, nor cause to be erected, which shall exceed two feet (2’) in length, nor more than six feet (6’) in height, nor more than a base width of twenty-four inches (24”).

By-law 1(a) thru 1(c) shall apply here as well. No foot-stone, corner-post, nor border, nor any other, may be erected, nor cause to be erected, which may be above ground level.

3. Any above ground “Head-Stone” shall be erected at the “head” of the grave, which is the East end of each grave.

III. Any non-conforming monument, corner post, foot-stone, border, or other items either erected, or caused to be erected, shall be removed on order of The Commission, and at the expense of the person or persons causing or ordering same to be affixed on any plot, of any non-conforming nature. There shall be no exceptions to this rule.

IV. The Commission shall allow no more than fifteen (15) days after there shall be a funeral before the removal of any flowers, crosses, stands, or other items of a floral nature including any planted tree, shrub, growing plant or other items.

1. The Commission shall allow Christmas, Easter, Mother’s Day, Father’s Day and other such days, for the placing of either wreaths, flowers (in pots, none to be planted) or arrangements on any plot, and shall cause to be removed, at the discretion of The Commission, any non-conforming plant, flower, shrub, etc.

V. It shall be deemed a misdemeanor to either walk or allow to roam-free any animal. Owner of such animal shall be punishable by the Courts of this State and/or County.

- VI. It is the intent of The Commission to bring to as much beauty as possible the Memorial Addition through an ease of mowing of the grass. Therefore, these By-laws are put into Act of the Mayor and Council in order to establish and to keep in as much order as possible all of the plots, both before and after a burial.
- VII. Upon purchase of a plot, The Commission shall cause to be placed, in accordance with these By-laws, four (4) corner posts, which shall bear the initial of either the purchaser or an initial the purchaser shall denote. The same shall be installed at no additional expense to the purchaser.
- VIII. For the year(s) 1986-1987, the fee for a double (8' x 10') plot shall be Three Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$350).
- IX. For the year(s) 1986-1987, the fee for a single (4' x 10') plot shall be Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250).
- X. 1995 increase of all cemetery services: Double lot-\$500; Single lot- \$350, burial-\$100 and cremation-\$50.
- XI. In 2006, there was an increase of all cemetery services: Double lot-\$800.00; Single lot-\$550.00; Grave opening-\$150.00; and Cremation-\$75.00.
- XII. In 2016, motion to approve increase in fees, passed unanimously on December 14th, 2015.
- Increase of the Grave Opening and Cremation Fees:
1. Grave Opening - \$200.00
 2. Cremation Opening - \$100.00
- XIII. In 2021, motion to approve increase in lot fees: Single lot-\$600; Double lot-\$850.