



## Chapel of the Holy Cross Cemetery and Memorial Garden Policies

Gravesites at the Chapel of the Holy Cross Cemetery are available to members in good standing of Grace-Calvary Episcopal Church, their parents and their children, or at the Rector's discretion. The cemetery is administered by a committee comprised of lay members of the parish, the vestry liaison to the committee and the rector, who shall make provisions for the perpetual care of the cemetery.

The fees for individual burial plots and for memorial garden space are to be reviewed and approved by the cemetery committee on an annual basis.

Please note the cemetery committee is fully aware some of the current requirements are not reflected in the existing cemetery spaces; however it is our belief the policies below will provide a continuity that is reverent and inherent to the future of the cemetery.

1. A standard burial site is five (5) feet by ten (10) feet. One standard burial (casket) is permitted in each burial site. If the owner so chooses, a maximum of three cremations may be interred on a standard grave site as an alternate. The locations of occupied and reserved (purchased) lots shall be shown on a master plat located in the church office. It is the responsibility of the family to provide exact name(s) and dates to the church administrator so the plaques can be ordered and cemetery maps updated.
2. Grave markers [head and foot stones] shall be natural stone with a natural finish. [No polished stone or unnatural finishes.] If in doubt as to what is allowed, please seek approval from the cemetery committee.
3. Maintenance of the cemetery prohibits the placement of stones or metal copings for new burial sites.
4. In keeping with the historical integrity and woodland nature of the cemetery, only fresh flowers shall be placed on gravesites. (No artificial flowers, plantings or other decorations are allowed). The memorial garden shall be maintained by the church.
5. Ashes in the memorial garden shall be interred directly into the earth. Name and dates for each person interred in the memorial garden will be listed on an individual plaque to be mounted on the altar in the garden. The plaques shall be the only marker or memorial allowed in the garden.
6. The price for a standard plot is \$600.
7. The price for a memorial garden plot is \$500. [This includes the plaque for the altar.]

Note: This historic cemetery contains old and unmarked graves including several in the woods to the north of the parking area. These areas, including a respectful buffer, are not available for new burials.