- Natural flowers and wreaths
- Bushes, trees or shrubs, conditioned upon receiving permission from the Cemetery Board of Directors
- Ornamental flags/banners for special occasions, conditioned upon their removal within one month of placement
- One solar light, standing no taller than 12" above ground level

Within Section MM, one non-perishable container of natural flowers no larger than 12" in diameter and which can be easily moved for maintenance purposed is permitted for each lot. Otherwise, no in-ground planting of any adornment if permitted.

Any permissible item that becomes a hindrance to maintenance or becomes unsightly is subject to removal. The Cemetery will take all reasonable steps to protect such item but is not responsible for any damage incurred during the removal process. The Cemetery is **NOT** responsible for replacing or replanting any item.

The following are **not permissible** adornments:

- Benches (other than a preapproved monument bench)
- Fencing
- Photographs
- Open flame candles
- Items made of plastic, including plastic flowers, plants or wreaths
- Items made of glass
- Pebbles
- Balloons
- Whirligigs
- Tovs

All non-conforming items are subject to removal.

Whenever an item is removed, a notice will be placed at the subject lot. Items will be held for 45 days for retrieval. Please contact the Cemetery Office to make arrangements for retrieval. Any item not retrieved within 45 days is subject to disposal by cemetery staff.

Monuments

Only one monument shall be allowed on a lot, and it shall be set in accordance with the general plan of the cemetery. Preapproval of monument dimensions must be obtained from the Superintendent. Any disagreement can be brought for consideration before the Cemetery Board of Directors.

No monument will be accepted for delivery into the cemetery until after Cemetery employees have set the foundation and made it ready to receive the monument.

All monuments or markers must be constructed of either granite or bronze.

The height of monuments is restricted to 4 feet and markers to 20 inches. No heights greater than the listed specifications shall be allowed without approval of the Board of Directors.

Within Section MM, all markers and identifying tables must be flush with the ground.

Adornments

Adornments and/or edgings shall extend no more than 14" in front of a monument; no items may be placed behind a monument, except for those lots that allow for burials in front and back of the monument, in which case the same 14" limit applies. No adornments are to be placed on the side of or on top of a monument.

The following are permissible adornments that can be placed within the above-referenced boundaries, subject to any stated qualifications:

Rome Cemetery

Association

Rules and Regulations



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The following rules and regulations have been adopted by the Rome Cemetery Association for the purpose of securing peace and good order, preserving the beauty of the grounds and to protect the interests of lot owners. These rules and regulations are in effect at all times, and all persons are required to obey same. Any suspected infraction should be reported to the Cemetery Office or Superintendent.

Purchase and Ownership of Lots

All lots in the Rome Cemetery are sold in accordance with the provisions of Section 1501 of the New York Not-for-Profit Corporation Law, as amended. All lots shall be used only as a burial place for human and pet cremains, and for no other purpose.

Before a deed will issue, and before any kind of construction or burial will be allowed, the entire purchase price for a lot must be paid in full. The price of all lots includes an amount for permanent maintenance. As required by New York State Law, a portion of the price for each lot is to be placed in a restricted permanent maintenance fund.

The income from this fund is used for lot maintenance (such as grading, trimming and mowing), and general upkeep and beautification of the cemetery grounds. This fund, however, does not provide for the specific care of headstones and monuments; nor does it provide for watering the grass and/ or flowers. Please contact the Cemetery Office for cost information if you would like particular care to be given to any specific lot.

Pursuant to New York State Cemetery Law, any resale of a lot must first be offered to the Rome Cemetery Association for purchase. Should the Association decline the option to purchase, the Rome Cemetery Board must nevertheless approve in writing the resale of a lot or portion thereof to another party.

No person will be recognized as the owner or part owner of a lot unless his or her name appears upon the records of the Rome Cemetery as such owner or owners. In the event of a dispute, the person alleging to be an owner or part owner will be expected to produce a copy of their deed or other documentation evidencing ownership.

It is the responsibility of every lot owner to keep the Cemetery Office informed of any change of mailing address. Correspondence sent to the last address on file with the Cemetery Office shall be considered sufficient and proper legal notice when necessary.

Interments

No interment shall be allowed without first obtaining permission of the Cemetery. The following information must be provided:

- 1. Name of Decedent
- 2. Date of Birth for Decedent
- 3. Place of Birth for Decedent
- 4. Date of Death
- 5. Place of Death
- 6. Cause of Death
- 7. Time and Date of Proposed Interment
- 8. Next of Kin for Decedent

Only one interment may be made in a single grave. A parent and an infant, however, may be buried in the same grave.

All work done in the Cemetery shall be performed by Cemetery employees, unless the Superintendent gives permission for a third party to perform work. The Superintendent reserves the right to require work by a third party be performed under the oversight of the Superintendent and/or a designated agent.

All funerals, processions and vehicles will be under the control of the Superintendent while on cemetery grounds.

For burial on a Monday, notice must be given to the Cemetery Office or the Superintendent by Noon of the preceding Friday. Saturday burials may incur overtime charges at the rate then in effect.

All burials from November 15 to April 15 are subject to weather conditions and the discretion of the Cemetery Superintendent. No graveside services shall be conducted during this time without the Superintendent's permission.

All bodies left in the Cemetery vault after November 15 should be removed and/or interred on or before the next June 1. After the next June 1, a storage fee will be charged until August 1, after which date all bodies must be removed.

Cremations

Cremated remains may not be scattered in any part of the cemetery. The interment of cremated remains will be permitted only in appropriate rigid receptacles consisting of, but not limited to metal, plastic, or concrete.

Cremated remains may be interred in an occupied or newly purchased grave, with no more than two cremation urns per single lot.

Burial of Cremated Pets

The burial of cremated pets **must be incidental to a human burial.** A certificate of cremation for a pet must be produced before a burial can take place. If a cremated pet is interred subsequent to a human burial a pet cremains interment fee will be charged.

Visitor Rules

The Rome Cemetery Association welcomes visitors to tend to gravesites and walk the premises. Visiting hours are between 8 am and Sunset. So that all may enjoy the beauty of the Cemetery, please obey the following:

- No vehicles such as snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles or excessively loud motorcycles are allowed on cemetery grounds
- All dogs much be on a leash and cleaned up after
- No alcohol consumption

Please also clean up after yourselves. Trash receptacles are placed around the Cemetery. If you cannot locate one, please take all trash with you upon leaving the Cemetery.