

DECORATION RULES

Cut flowers are permitted at any time. Artificial flowers and potted plants are only permitted on Easter, Memorial Day, and All Souls' Day. All such flowers and plants will be removed and discarded ten days after the holiday or holy day. On other special occasions such as Mother's Day, Father's Day, St. Patrick's Day, etc., decorations will remain for three to five days or until the next lawn maintenance cycle occurs. All decorations should be set on the grass, not dug into the grass.

Artificial flowers, wreaths and crosses are permitted after November 20th and must be removed before March 1st each year.

Statuary, wrought iron, benches, vigil lights, glass wire, wood chips, marble chips, etc. are not permitted at any time and will be removed and discarded without notice.

The planting of flowers or shrubs is *not* permitted at flush marker graves. In certain areas shrubs are permitted at either side of an upright monument. Please contact the cemetery office for more information.

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY GREENERY

We have options for holiday greenery to be purchased through a partnering organization and placed on your loved one's grave for you. For your loved ones that are in a columbarium niche or the mausoleum, we offer a wreath program that you can participate in through our office. Information for both programs will be available after November 1st each year by visiting our website at www.calvarycemeterydayton.org or calling the office.

SAINT KATERI PRESERVE

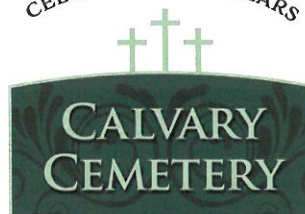
This area is dedicated to natural burial and only bio-degradable, natural decorations are permitted. Live cut flowers are always welcome. In some areas native plants are permitted with approval. Please contact the office for more information.



FLAG POLICY

Flags and flag holders are only permitted on individual graves during a 17 day period over the Memorial Day, Independence Day, and Veterans Day holidays. Seven days prior to the upcoming holiday, flags and flag holders are made available in front of the cemetery office, while supplies last. These are for your use at Calvary Cemetery only. They will be removed on the 10th day after each holiday. If you wish to retain your own flag and/or flag holder for reuse, you must remove it before that date.

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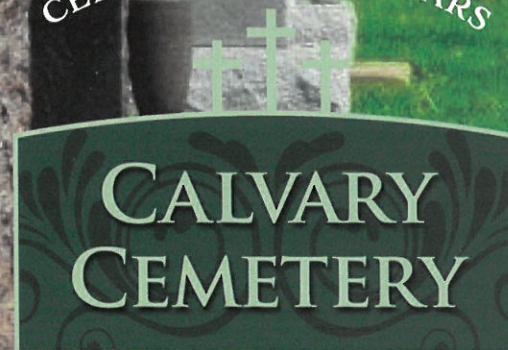
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WHAT HAPPENS AFTER A BURIAL?

Post Interment Care of Graves

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REMOVAL OF FUNERAL FLOWERS

Funeral flowers placed on a grave are removed the following Monday after the burial. Saturday burial flowers are deferred to the Monday after next. We encourage families to take any special mementos such as baskets, pottery, ribbons, crosses, etc. that you wish to keep as soon as possible to assure they are not discarded.

TOP DRESSING

At the conclusion of the funeral service, the grave is closed using sand and gravel. Topsoil is applied to the top eight inches of the grave which generally is a few inches higher than ground level. Over the next several months the ground will settle naturally and become more even. Please understand that there are times when access to quality top soil is limited, especially in times of inclement weather. In these circumstances, top soil will be added at the earliest availability.



GRASS SEEDING

It is important to understand that this process takes time and patience. In Ohio there are two windows of opportunity to apply grass seed:

SPRING: Early April through Memorial Day

FALL: Late August through the end of October

At the time of the seasonal seeding, all burials that occurred after the last seeding will be seeded at this time.

We use a potent hydro-seed mixture that is sprayed on. It is composed of seed, paper mulch, fertilizer, and water. When applied, it is green but may turn a grayish color before the new grass germinates. This happens as the seed is taking root and beginning to grow. It is critical that you do not attempt to rake or remove the new mulch that is forming. This will destroy the growth and delay the process greatly. Over time the mulch will dissolve and the ground will look much more natural.

You are welcome to contribute with moderate watering if you would like. Please be cautious not to over water as this could cause a set-back. The grass seed mixture grows best when slightly damp as the germination takes place.



MOWING & TRIMMING

The entire grounds are mowed at least once a week and trimming around the memorials takes place on an approximate three week cycle. Please be aware that weather conditions can sometimes effect our ability to maintain these schedules.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

You can arrange the purchase of a marker or monument for your loved one's final resting place through our office. Calvary is a direct representative of Dodds Monuments. We can also assist in arranging for the final death date inscription on an existing monument. Contact our office at 937.293.1221 for more information.

