

Frontenac Cemetery

Burial/Cemetery Information

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Brief History

Frontenac Cemetery was established in 1867 by Israel Garrard for burials of the village's inhabitants. It was managed by local residents until 1961, when the Florence Township Board of Supervisors assumed management of the public cemetery. In 1976, the Township Supervisors established the Frontenac Cemetery Association (FCA) and transferred governance over to it. The FCA is currently comprised of a volunteer board that exclusively manages the cemetery's finances and records, develops and maintains cemetery policies and property, and manages burials.

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Grounds/Floral Policy

The first Frontenac Cemetery Floral/Grounds Policy was approved and posted throughout the Cemetery between May and October 2019 and online at florencetwp.org.

It is meant to preserve the dignity and natural appearance of this historic cemetery for all visitors. It also reflects the need for the cemetery's grounds crew to properly, safely, and efficiently mow, trim, and otherwise maintain areas immediately surrounding each gravesite.

Given limited maintenance funding and staffing, your cooperation and assistance with caring for the grounds is greatly appreciated.

Seasonally-appropriate floral arrangements may be placed *aside* tombstones in stand-alone urn stands not exceeding two per lot. Floral arrangements will be removed when they become faded, moldy, unsightly, or within a week following the given season's conventional end.

Small American flags on veterans' graves are permitted between May 18 (Armed Forces Day) to 10 days after July 4 (Independence Day), and 10 days before to 10 days after Nov. 11 (Veterans Day).

The following are not permitted on or near gravesites: permanent plantings, statues not incorporated into a monument, vigil/solar lighting, breakable objects, figurines, bird feeders, pinwheels, balloons, toys, stuffed animals, rocks, pictures, wind chimes, windsocks, banners, shepherd's hooks, wreaths, flags other than flags of country or MIA flags, food/perishable items, and similar commemorative items. Exceptions are made for days (24 hours) celebrating commonly known special occasions (examples: birthdays, Mother's / Father's Days.) Christmas wreaths may be placed on graves between Thanksgiving and January 20, after which time they will be removed.

Storage of water pitchers is discouraged, but may be placed out of public view directly behind a monument if they are regularly used to water fresh flowers.

Non-conventional monuments and gravesite designs must be submitted to the Cemetery Association for approval prior to installation or development. They will be evaluated according to how they may impact the dignity, natural appearance, and historic nature of the cemetery.

Parties interested in washing/cleaning monuments should first contact the Cemetery Association for information regarding cleansing procedures that will not damage the monuments.