

Antioch Baptist Church

Cemetery Rules and Regulations

Effective March 1, 2020

The following rules and regulations have been adopted to ensure a respectful and clean appearance for the cemetery and to facilitate the maintenance thereof, while providing families with an ample opportunity to remember and honor their loved ones.

Cemetery Lots

1. All lots (gravesites) measure 4 feet wide by 9 feet long. Each lot may accommodate (a) one burial (b) one burial and one cremation or (c) two cremations. All memorial markers and decorations, as permitted, must be placed within those dimensions.
 - a. A permanent headstone must be installed within one year of burial.
 - b. Footstones or family lot boundary stones, if installed, must be placed flush with the ground.

Flowers and Decorations

1. Artificial and cut flowers, wreaths and other floral displays are permitted at any time, but shall be removed when they are wilted, faded, discolored or otherwise unattractive.
2. Seasonal decorations (Christmas, Easter, Birthdays, etc.) should be removed within one month after the event.
3. Discarded flowers and decorations should be placed in the provided trash bin or taken home with you. Do not discard items over the fence or along the cemetery boundary.
4. Flags may be placed on graves for federal and state holidays, but must be removed within two weeks after the event.
5. Artifacts, mementos and keepsakes are permitted if they are placed on the gravestones and do not interfere with cemetery maintenance. Please keep such decorations to a minimum. Antioch cannot be responsible for damage, theft or loss of these items.
6. **The following items are NOT PERMITTED AT ANY TIME:**
 - a. Electronic lighting (solar or battery powered)
 - b. Glass, china or other breakable containers or decorations
 - c. Fences, landscaping stones or borders of any kind
 - d. Chairs, benches, or stools
 - e. Planting of trees, shrubs or flowers

The Cemetery Committee reserves the right to remove any items deemed to be offensive or in violation of the above rules and regulations.

Antioch Baptist Church will provide routine maintenance and exercise reasonable care in the upkeep of the cemetery grounds, but is not responsible for the damage, theft or breakage (nor subsequent repair) of markers or decorations. Any questions or requests regarding these rules and regulations should be addressed to:

Antioch Baptist Church Cemetery Committee
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