



## CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

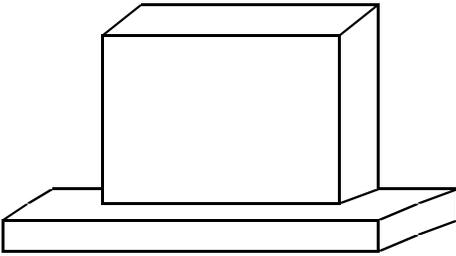
Calvary - St. Michael - St. Louis - St. John Cemeteries

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# MONUMENT GRAVE RULES



- Base: Must be rock pitched. Minimum height: 8"-12", depending on location (8" in sections 1-29, except in Section 15, lots 1-390)  
Length: must be at least 18" off the lot line on each side  
Minimum Length: subject to design  
Maximum Length on single monument lots: 30"
- Die: Minimum thickness: 8"  
Minimum height: 22"  
Maximum height: subject to design

- ▶ Before ordering a memorial, the foundation request form provided by the management, which includes a detailed plan of the design of the memorial, must be submitted to the cemetery for approval. No memorial shall be erected until approval of the foundation permit has been granted by the cemetery. The cemetery reserves the right to remove those memorials that do not conform in every detail to the approved design. The Catholic Cemeteries only set memorials sold through its memorial department.
- ▶ Only one memorial is allowed per grave. The only exception to this rule is veteran markers.
- ▶ In ground vases are not allowed unless they are replacing an existing in ground vase. Granite collars are not allowed.
- ▶ Features and insertions in a monument should not protrude outside the dimensions of the monument and must be pinned.
- ▶ Single graves with monument privilege are allowed only in specific parts of the cemetery.
- ▶ A bench base must be 6" thick, 3" larger than the outside width and length of the legs and, at least, the same length and width as the seat. The minimum thickness for seat and legs is 6". Seat and legs must be pinned and epoxied together. The height should be 22"-24". Benches with a solid leg should have a base at least 8" thick (ideally 10"-12" for stability). Hilly locations must first be approved by management. The seat and legs of benches donated in memory of a loved one may be 4" instead of 6". The bench could be relocated by the management.
- ▶ Opening for cremated remains must be cored from the bottom and sealed in a permanent manner.
- ▶ Names are allowed on the back of monuments. Dates are only allowed if burials took place behind the memorial.
- ▶ Families can maintain annual flowers or spring bulbs within 6" to the front and sides of the monument. Please check with the cemetery office for restrictions. *No plantings are allowed in graves with no memorial.*
- ▶ The Catholic Cemeteries can plant and maintain shrubs or ivy on these lots for an annual fee.
- ▶ Fresh flowers may be placed on graves in temporary metal or plastic containers year round and will be removed when wilted.
- ▶ Potted plants are not permitted anywhere in the cemetery except for the following holidays:
  - On Easter, Mother's Day and Father's Day, potted plants are permitted from the Friday afternoon before the holiday through the Sunday after.
  - On Memorial Day and Veterans' Day, potted plants and American flags are permitted from the Friday afternoon before the holiday through the Sunday after. Flags must be all wood and cloth. Flags with metal or plastic parts are not permitted. They must be placed in the front of the memorial and as close as possible to it, and always within 6" from it.
- ▶ Artificial decorations including flower baskets, wreaths, shepherds hooks or flags are only permitted on the ground from November 15 through March 1. No artificial decorations are permitted on the ground from March 1 through November 15. The cemetery is not responsible for the items removed from the graves for not complying with this rule.
- ▶ The use of concrete items, metal designs or ornaments, wood or metal cases, glass or crockery jars and containers, boxes or shells is not permitted on any lot and such articles shall be removed.
- ▶ Glass vases or bottles are not permitted in the cemetery.
- ▶ Containers cannot be buried in the ground.
- ▶ Only solar powered votive candles are allowed and must comply with the same rules and regulations that apply to all other artificial decorations.