

**REMINDER OF RULES CONCERNING FLORAL ARRANGMENTS
WITHIN RUSSELLVILLE OAKLAND CEMETERY**

We take pride in the allowance of longer times for floral arrangements to remain on the gravesites within reasonable methods of displaying them. However, there are times when all arrangements lying on the ground will be removed without notice. For those graves that have a flat marker and do not have a vase, the family can make inquiry of the Director for an acceptable suggestion for placement of floral arrangements to keep them off the ground.

While steps are taken to accommodate families wishing to place flowers at their loved ones' gravesite year round, the following are the rules of Oakland concerning the same:

3.2.4. Persons desiring to plant or place flowers, trees, shrubs, or floral designs of any kind upon cemetery property should seek permission from the Director of the Oakland Cemetery Commission. Any flower, shrub, tree, or floral design planted or placed on cemetery property without permission may be removed by cemetery maintenance personnel.

3.2.5. The planting of trees within the cemetery is prohibited subject to Subsection 3.2.4. because trees make maintenance within the cemetery more difficult. Memorials may be planted in areas designated by the City staff after payment of a fee as set by the Director of the Oakland Cemetery Commission.

3.2.6. Floral designs or other decorative pieces shall not be placed on any space unless placed in a holder that is an integral part of the grave marker or mounted on top of the grave marker.

3.2.6.1. An exception to Subsection 3.2.6. is that arrangements may be placed on a space at the time of the funeral as long as they are removed within ten (10) days.

3.2.6.2. Another exception to Subsection 3.2.6. is that arrangements may be placed on the gravesite within seven (7) days prior to Memorial Day or All Saints Day as long as the arrangements are removed within seven (7) days after the special days.

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Russellville Oakland Cemetery
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