

Wiseburg Cemetery, Inc.

810 Wiseburg Road White Hall, Maryland 21161

Mailing Address: 19617 Middletown Road, Freeland, MD 21053 c/o Glen Baer, treasurer/supt.

## **Wiseburg Cemetery Rules of Operation**

### **Sales Policy**

A burial lot at the cemetery is a 4-foot by 10-foot plot of land. The purchase of one or more lots is the purchase of the right of burial. When purchased, lots are to be paid in full along with the purchase of 4 cornerstones which will delineate the lot or lots. Each cornerstone will have an engraved initial (or initials) that corresponds with the name of the lot holder. Installation is included in the price of the cornerstones. Upon the purchase of a lot(s), the lot holder will receive a bill of sale as well as a deed of ownership.

### **Organization**

Wiseburg Cemetery, Inc. is a non-profit organization. The Trustees receive no payment or remuneration for their participation in the management of the cemetery. The Trustees meet on a regular basis and make every attempt to maintain the cemetery as a peaceful and serene location. It is important to you as a lot holder to abide by the rules and regulations as documented herein to assist the Trustees in the maintenance and preservation of Wiseburg Cemetery.

Bequests and memorial contributions to the cemetery fund are encouraged and gratefully accepted. Contributions should be mailed to Wiseburg Cemetery c/o Glen Baer, treasurer, 19617 Middletown Road, Freeland, MD 21053

### **General Rules**

It is the duty of the Wiseburg Cemetery Trustees to see that the rules and regulations are complied with, that order is maintained, and that the best interests of the cemetery are protected and promoted. The Trustees are authorized to make temporary additional rules which may be needed to meet emergencies which are not covered by these rules and regulations.

The Trustees reserve the right to make exceptions, suspensions, or modifications of any rules and regulations, without notice, when deemed necessary; and any temporary exceptions, suspensions or modifications will not affect the general application of the rules and regulations.

The Trustees reserve the right to correct any errors, including interments, disinterments, removals and transfers of property and may substitute interment property, if needed, as provided by applicable law.

The Trustees will take all reasonable precautions to protect the lots from loss and damage. However, the Trustees disclaim all responsibility for loss or damage from causes beyond their control, and especially from damage caused by the elements, an act of God, common enemy, thieves, vandals, malicious mischief makers, explosions, unavoidable accidents, invasions, insurrections, riots or order of military or civil authority.

All cemetery visitors walk in the cemetery at their own risk.

Planting of shrubbery, bushes, trees and creeping vines on lots is strictly prohibited.

Permanent structures or enclosures such as walls, barriers, metal pipes, wooden pickets, fences of any kind etc. are strictly prohibited.

Permanent underground flower urns are permitted.

Decorations are permitted on grave lots. The Trustees and caretakers reserve the right to remove any decorations that impede or inhibit groundskeeping, that become displaced or objectionable for any reason or when in their judgement it is in the best interest of the cemetery.

It is the responsibility of the lot holder to notify the Trustees in writing of any change in address.

These rules and regulations are the agreement between the Trustees and the lot owner. The Trustees reserve the right to amend or change these rules and regulations at any time.

#### **Descent of Title**

The laws of the State of Maryland govern the descent of title. It is the policy of this corporation, that upon the death of the titled owner(s) of said lot or lots, that the eldest child of the lot owner shall be assigned the lot, unless otherwise designated by the lot owner, in writing and delivered to the Trustees, prior to death, or unless otherwise provided by law.

#### **Cemetery Care**

The general care of Wiseburg Cemetery is assumed by the Trustees and the caretakers and includes the cutting of the grass at reasonable intervals, cleaning the grounds, and the pruning, removal, and planting of shrubs and trees.

The general care assumed by the Trustees and the caretakers will **in no case** mean the maintenance, repair, or replacement of any memorial, urn, vase, or decoration placed upon the lot or lots.

#### **Interments and Disinterments**

All burials are required to be made in-ground in a rigid, cave proof container, ie a vault, as a receptacle for the casket and/or cremated remains and may be made of stone, metal, concrete, or steel as long as the material complies with the laws of the State of Maryland.

Interments are limited to: 1 casket or 2 cremations or 1 casket and 1 cremation per lot. A cremation receptacle can only be placed on top of the casket/vault and cannot be disinterred for the purpose of placing it on top of a casket/vault.

Graves shall be dug only by the caretaker of the cemetery or designee.

Lot holders should contact the cemetery or appropriate funeral director when a grave needs to be dug.

Charges for interment shall be fixed by the person digging the grave.

The burial of pets is not permitted on cemetery property.

Approval of the Trustees and the lot owner must be obtained prior to the disinterment of any remains, and all state and local laws must be adhered to.

### **Memorial Markers**

Headstone memorial markers made of a durable material can be placed on a lot and must be placed in line with the row of other memorials and in the confines of the lot or lots. **A concrete base that extends 4 inches beyond all edges of the memorial is required.**

Footstone markers are permitted, but must be flush with the ground and have a concrete base which extends 4 inches around the edge of the marker.

The Trustees may, at the cemetery's expense and without liability, correct any error that may occur in the placing of a foundation, memorial, or footstone.

Requests/information for internments and/or placement of memorials or other questions regarding the cemetery should be directed to Glen or Rosa Baer, superintendent and president respectively. Contact info is as follows: address: 19617 Middletown Rd Freeland, MD 21053

home phone: 410-357-5735

Cell phone: 410-615-0832 (Rosa)

Cell phone: 443-956-7119 (Glen)

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