

VILLAGE OF GEORGETOWN, OHIO

RESOLUTION NO. 1330

**A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING REVISED RULES AND REGULATIONS  
FOR THE CONFIDENCE CEMETERY**

**WHEREAS**, it is the desire of the Council of the Village of Georgetown to adopt a revised set of rules and regulations for the Confidence Cemetery.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the Council of the Village of Georgetown, Brown County, Ohio, a majority or more of all members thereof concurring that:

**SECTION 1:** Resolution No. 1282 and Ordinance No. 1337 is repealed in their entirety.

**SECTION 2.** The revised rules and regulations attached as Exhibit A are incorporated herein by reference and adopted in their entirety as the Rules and Regulations for the Confidence Cemetery effective March 23, 2023.

**SECTION 3:** To the extent that any the Rules and Regulations for the Confidence Cemetery are violated, the officers, agents and employees of the Village of Georgetown shall be and hereby are authorized to remove any offending elements consistent with the rules and regulations contained therein.

**SECTION 4.** Council hereby finds and determines that all formal actions relative to the passage of this legislation were taken in an open meeting of this Council, and that all deliberations of this Council and of its committees, if any, which resulted in formal action, were taken in meetings open to the public, in full compliance with applicable legal requirements, including Section 121.22 of the Ohio Revised Code.

**SECTION 5.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after the earliest date allowed by law.

Passed and adopted at a legally convened meeting of Council held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2023.

  
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Dale E. Cahall, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Brian A. Fought, Clerk of Council

# **CONFIDENCE CEMETERY RULES AND REGULATIONS**

## **I. RULES OF INTERMENT**

- A. All interment charges must be paid at the time of burial by the family or funeral director.
- B. No person will be permitted to dig a grave or perform any work in connection with a burial except the Village employees under the supervision of the cemetery caretaker.
- C. Request for burial must be supported by the following:
  - 1. Name of deceased
  - 2. Place of birth and date
  - 3. Residence and age at time of death
- D. Hours of burials are as follows:  
Monday through Sunday                      9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

- E. Charges of Interment Effective March 9, 2023 are as follows:

Burial: \$700 (Mon.-Fri.); \$1,000 (Sat.); \$1,250 (Sun. and legal Holiday)

Cremation: \$400 (Mon.-Fri.); \$500 (Sat.); \$700 (Sun. and legal Holiday)

+ \$100 charge for all interments after 3:00 p.m. Mon. – Sat.; and no interments after 3:00 p.m. on Sun. and Holidays.

Special requirements are subject to additional charges, and arrangements or requirements must be made prior to the funeral date.

## **II. FLOWERS AND DECORATION RULES**

- A. Holiday decorations will be removed one week after the holiday except those decorations in monument vases.
- B. No planting of ferns, flowers, trees, etc. is permitted at any time. In the event these items are planted, they shall be removed immediately by cemetery personnel and will be discarded immediately. The Village will not be responsible for any costs incurred to any person planting any item in the cemetery.
- C. Borders and edging (stone, brick, plastic, wood) are permitted around monuments. Borders and edging SHALL NOT protrude farther than 6 inches from any side of the monument. They are to be maintained by grave owner and must not interfere

with normal maintenance and operation of the cemetery. Any that are left unattended and become unsightly will be removed by cemetery personnel. Borders and edging in non-compliance with this rule SHALL be removed immediately and discarded by cemetery personnel. The Village shall not be responsible for costs incurred to owner of non-compliant borders and edges.

- D. No glass containers, wood, or tin boxes of any kind are permitted. Any violation of this rule will subject the item to removal together with the flowers enclosed.
- E. Funeral flowers will be removed one (1) week after the funeral.
- F. Wreaths and blankets are permitted from December 1<sup>st</sup> to March 15<sup>th</sup> of each year.
- G. All flowers and decorations not in monument mounted vases or attached to the top of monuments will be removed by cemetery personnel on March 15<sup>th</sup> of each year.
- H. Any decoration, solar lights, flowers, etc. that interfere with mowing or general maintenance will be immediately removed by cemetery personnel. The Village will not be responsible for damage incurred to any decoration at any time.

### III. GENERAL RULES

- A. The cemetery is open to the public from sunrise to sunset; otherwise permission must be obtained from the office.
- B. The speed limit for vehicles is 10 miles per hour. Automobiles are not to be parked on graves.
- C. After a funeral procession enters the cemetery, the Cemetery Superintendent is in full charge. Traffic control and flow will be by prearrangement or at the direction of the caretaker.
- D. All persons are prohibited from plucking any flowers, either wild or cultivated, breaking or injuring any tree, plant, or shrub, or in any way deface or break any monument, vault, or other structures. Violators will be prosecuted.
- E. There will be no planting of any kind permitted unless with the approval of the cemetery committee. Violators discovered will be immediately removed.
- F. All mowing and grounds upkeep will be performed by Village of Georgetown employees only. At no time will any person NOT in the employment of the Village of Georgetown be permitted to mow or perform routine maintenance of the cemetery.
- G. No person is permitted to drive or ride over any part of the grounds except on the roadways which are provided for that purpose. ATV's are not permitted in the cemetery.

- H. No one is permitted to enter the grounds except through the gates provided. Climbing over, breaking down, or scaling fences or injuring the same is forbidden and is subject to prosecution.
- I. All non-cremation burials SHALL require a burial vault.
- J. All grave markers and monuments shall be granite, marble, or bronze. No boulder markers or monuments shall be permitted. Any exception to this shall have the approval of the cemetery committee. Any marker or monument placed in non-compliance of these rules SHALL be immediately removed by cemetery personnel. The Village will not be responsible for any costs incurred to any non-compliant monument or damage to monument while being moved.
- K. Monuments and monument foundations are the sole responsibility of the family of the deceased. The Village of Georgetown bears NO responsibility in the purchase, repair, or construction of either with the exception of installation being overseen by the caretaker of the cemetery.
- L. The Village will not be responsible for damage to monuments, markers, stones in the cemetery which may be caused during the ordinary care of the cemetery, nor any other accident which may occur on cemetery property.
- M. Any previously planted shrub, tree, or flowers that in the opinion of the cemetery, are overgrown, unsightly, or interferes with adjoining graves and cemetery maintenance will be removed.
- N. Refuse receptacles are provided and so marked for visitors to discard and deposit trash. Your cooperation is respectfully requested to help keep the cemetery neat and clean.
- O. Monument and foundation setting will be between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and will be under the supervision of the cemetery superintendent. Foundations will be made 4" longer and 4" wider than the monument base, and a minimum of 24" deep.

#### **IV. PURCHASING GRAVES**

- A. When purchasing graves at the Confidence Cemetery the following is required:
  - 1. Graves will be selected with the aid of the Cemetery Caretaker.
  - 2. Graves will be paid for in full at time of purchase. No payment plan is available through the Village unless approved by the cemetery committee.
  - 3. A grave shall be paid in full before burial takes place.
  - 4. Graves purchased in the new section (4, 5, 6 and 7) of cemetery will be in a half lot (four graves) minimum. Half lots will be purchased two in front and two in rear, four graves in the front of a lot is not permitted. This rule does

not apply to the old section. Certain parts in section 4, the purchase of two graves will be allowed.

5. The Village will offer 4-plot sections for single burials. Singles will be sold to that section of 4 until it is full, then we will offer another 4-plot section in a different section of the graveyard, rotating through the sections, but only after a section is full.
6. The purchase of each grave of a burial plot shall be effective March 9, 2023 and set as follows:

| <u>PLACE OF RESIDENCY</u> |                     |                      |                     |
|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| <u>Georgetown</u>         | <u>Brown County</u> | <u>Out of County</u> | <u>Out of State</u> |
| \$750.00                  | \$1,050.00          | \$1,650.00           | \$2,850.00          |

7. Residency shall be defined as: the purchaser needs to provide a bill or pay stub with the purchaser's name and address within the Village limits on it.
8. Deed Transfers: \$50 Charge
9. Grave Surrender: 5% of original price for processing if the Village wants to buy it.

- B. 60% of the fee charged pursuant to Section 4 of these rules and regulations shall be credited to the General Fund and 40% of the fee charged pursuant to Section 4 of these rules and regulations shall be credited to the Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund. All other fees collected pursuant to these rules and regulations shall be credited to the General Fund.

**V. FOUNDATION OR FOOTERS**

- A. Footers that need to be moved for new burials will be done by the Village and put back in place by the Village with a charge to be added to the open/close fee. Fee schedule:

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|--------------|-----------|---|----------|
| 4 x 0.8 thru | 2.0 x 1.0 | = | \$125.00 |
| 2.6 x 1.0    |           |   | 180.00   |
| 3.0 x 1.0    |           |   | 216.00   |
| 3.36 x 1.0   |           |   | 252.00   |
| 4.0 x 1.0    |           |   | 288.00   |
| 4.6 x 1.0    |           |   | 324.00   |
| 5.0 x 1.0    |           |   | 360.00   |
| 3.0 x 1.2    |           |   | 252.00   |
| 3.6 x 1.2    |           |   | 294.00   |
| 4.0 x 1.2    |           |   | 336.00   |
| 4.6 x 1.2    |           |   | 378.00   |
| 5.0 x 1.2    |           |   | 420.00   |

Adopted: 05/02/93  
(Revised: Sec. E 06/27/95)  
(Revised: Sec. E 01/23/97)  
(Revised: Sec. E 01/19/99)  
(Revised: Sec. I 07/19/01)-Cremation Charges  
(Revised: Sec. I & IV- Res. 864-02/28/02)  
(Revised: Sec. I-E, Sec. III-H., Sec. IV, & Sec. V by Resolution  
#1086 10/10/13) –All Charges  
(Revised: Sec. III-E, III-H, III-I, III-F by Resolution #1111)  
(Revised: Sec. II-B, II-C, III-F, III-I, III-M, IV-A-2 by  
Resolution #1134 dated 7/14/2016)  
(Revised: Sec. I-E and Sec. IV-5 by Resolution #1180 dated  
7/26/2018)  
(Revised: Sec. IV-B by Resolution # 1236 dated 12/10/2020)  
(Revised: Sec. IV-B by Resolution # 1282 dated 11/03/2021)  
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Ordinance #1337 dated 3/9/2023)  
(Revised: Sec. I-E, IV-6 by Resolution #1330 dated 3/23/2023)