

St. Bernard Parish Cemetery Rules and Regulations – January 2014

Sale of Lots

- A lot will only be sold to present registered members of St. Bernard Parish.
- No more than two lots will be sold at a time.
- A purchaser of a lot acquires the right of burial only. The purchaser does not acquire any other interest in the land.
- Cost per lot is \$300.

Double Burial

- The remains of two individuals may be buried on one lot, subject to the consent of the owner. There may be two caskets, one casket and one inurnment (burial of cremated remains), or two inurnments on one lot. St. Bernard's Parish must be notified of a double burial of caskets before the first burial.
- There is an additional fee of one half of the current cost of lot for any additional burials.

Transfer/Resale of Lots

- All transfer of lots must be registered with St. Bernard's Parish.
- Anyone burying a non-member in a lot shall pay the fee of \$250 at the time of burial, in addition to all other applicable fees.
- A lot may be transferred or resold with proper documentation and payment of a \$15 transfer fee. All transfers are subject to the consent of St. Bernard's Parish.
- A lot cannot be resold for more than the current price charged by St. Bernard's Parish.

Boxes/Vaults

- Burial vaults or cremation vaults are required for all burials.

Grave Markers

- Lots shall have a permanent marker to identify the grave. When multiple burials occur on the same lot, each individual buried in the lot must be identified by a permanent marker. There may be no more than 2 markers on any lot. All markers must be approved by St. Bernard's Parish.
- All graves and grave markers must be located and staked by St. Bernard's Parish.
- The locating/staking fee for graves and for grave markers is \$25 each.
- Only flush grave markers are permitted. No monuments are permitted.
- No grave marker shall be installed without a setting order signed by the owner and approved by St. Bernard's Parish.
- St. Bernard's Parish is not responsible for the repair of any damage to grave markers or monuments. Any repair of grave markers or monuments shall be done at the expense of the family of the person buried on the lot.

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Decorations

- No permanent plants or flowers may be planted on a lot.
- Decorations, including artificial flowers, potted plants, decorations, flags or other ornaments, may be placed on graves beginning at noon on the Thursday before Memorial Day and may remain there until the Sunday after Memorial Day. Decorations must be removed by this date. Decorations that are not removed will be discarded by St. Bernard's Parish.
- Wreaths or other evergreen displays are permitted from November 1 to March 1. No other types of decorations are permitted.
- No decorations are permitted other than during these times.
- Loose, freshly cut flowers may be placed at graves. Such flowers must not be bound together with any wire, string, or ribbon, nor placed in a vase, pot or water vial. Cut flowers will be disposed of by St. Bernard's Parish during lawn mowing or when, in the sole discretion of St. Bernard's, the flowers become unsightly, withered, or otherwise unattractive.

Costs/Fees

- All costs and fees described herein are subject to change without advance notice at the sole discretion of St. Bernard's Parish.

Right to Change

- St. Bernard's Parish reserves the right to amend, add to, or change its rules at any time, at its sole discretion and without advance notice.