

# **RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE ALGONA CEMETERY BOARD**

## **Riverview and East Lawn Cemeteries**

1. The hours of opening and closing of the cemeteries will be as follows:

- Open from sunup to sundown
- Extra gates to be opened only for Memorial Day weekend and for funerals
- Cemetery will be closed on 4th of July from 6:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

2. Rules for decorating of graves are as follows:

- Artificial flowers can be placed on graves from May 15 to June 15 of each year and wreaths will be allowed from December 1 to March 1 of each year. Artificial flowers will be allowed year around in both cemeteries when securely fastened in a vase, which is a permanent part of the marker or monument. If artificial flowers are left in the vases all year round and the vases are not inverted by October 15 of each year, the City will not be held responsible for any damage to the flowers or vases. No glass containers are allowed. The City is not responsible for damage to decorations. ·
- No flowers may be planted in the ground.
- Flowers and decorations will be removed by the caretaker when they detract from the appearance of the Cemetery.
- All trees and shrubs to be planted or removed must be approved by the Cemetery Board.
- Vases in East Lawn Cemetery and the Memorial Addition of Riverview Cemetery must be in the inverted, stored position in the provided recess well of the marker or ground vase container with the bottom of the vase flush with the marker or vase holder from October 15 to April 15. The City reserves the right to invert all empty vases the first week of November of each year.
- One Sheppard hook will be allowed per monument located directly adjacent to the monument on the right side of the monument from April 15 to October 15 of each year and from December 1 to March 1 of each year. One flower saddle will be allowed per headstone year-round.

3. Purchase price for a sale of a lot is \$400.00 per 4'X8' space. Spaces in Babyland at East Lawn Cemetery are for sale at \$50.00 per space. Eastlawn Cemetery, Highland Section lots adjacent to, and truncated by, the sidewalk, are for sale at \$200.00 per shortened plot. Up to two (2) cremation burials or one baby burial will be allowed in these spaces and full burials will not be possible. All other marker rules apply.

\$100.00 from the sale of each space will be placed in a perpetual care fund for the respective cemetery.

4. Two cremation burials will be allowed in one cemetery space but only one monument is allowed per space This could be a monument, single marker, or double marker. A military plaque up to one foot by two foot in size, to be placed flush with the ground, on a space occupied by a veteran of the United States military, at the foot of the space in a location determined by City Cemetery staff will be allowed in addition to the single marker or monument at the head of the space.

5. Fee for opening graves shall be \$600.00 except baby grave openings will be \$200.00. For any funerals held on weekends or holidays observed by the City of Algona, a surcharge of \$200 shall be added to the grave opening fee for a full burial and \$100 will be added to the baby grave opening fee.

6. Fee for the interment of a cremation is \$200.00. For any funerals held on weekends or holidays observed by the City of Algona, a surcharge of \$100 shall be added to the interment fee. The second right of interment shall be denied until all fees have been paid.

7. Fees for placement of markers are as follows:

	<u>Riverview</u>	<u>East Lawn</u>
A. Single Marker	\$50.00	\$50.00
B. Double marker	\$50.00	\$50.00
C. Monuments	\$50.00	None Allowed

8. Markers at East Lawn Cemetery and the Riverview Cemetery

Memorial Addition is restricted as follows:

- They shall be placed on a concrete base set at ground level.
- Single markers not to exceed 14 inches by 24 inches.
- Double markers, bronze or granite are not to exceed 14 inches by 36 inches in size in East Lawn Cemetery and 14 inches by 48 inches in Riverview Memorial Addition.
- Concrete wash around the markers is not to exceed 2 inches in width around markers in East Lawn Cemetery and 4 inches in width around markers in the Riverview Cemetery Memorial Addition.

9. The speed limit in the cemeteries shall be 15 MPH.

10. No trucks or cars may leave roadways without permission of the caretaker. Any vehicle doing so will be charged with the repair of damage caused.

11. Public consumption of alcoholic beverages or beer in the cemetery is prohibited.
12. It is required that metal, fiberglass, or concrete vaults be used in all adult graves.
13. After obtaining a permit at the Algona City Hall, a cemetery lot or space owner may install markers or monuments according to cemetery rules and regulations. No markers or monuments may be installed until all fees are collected. If a vase or vases are desired, they must be an integral part of said monument or marker and in East Lawn Cemetery and Riverview Memorial Addition, must be capable of being stored in a recessed well, so the vase is then flush with the top of the marker. No other separately installed vases or other permanent appurtenances will be allowed. The Cemetery caretaker will remove markers, vases and other appurtenances installed after July 21, 1989 in violation of these rules.
14. There will be no charge for a burial space or no fee for the permit for setting a marker in the Riverview Cemetery Soldier's Plot, for any male or female veteran of the United States of America Military Service. Non-Veterans cannot be buried in the Soldier's Plot. Fees for grave openings and other non-conflicting rules and conditions remain the same for the Soldier's Plot.

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