



DULANEY VALLEY

MEMORIAL GARDENS

RULES AND REGULATIONS

By order of the Board of Directors of
Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens, Inc.
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GENERAL INFORMATION

Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens, Inc.
200 East Padonia Road
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CEMETERY GATE HOURS

Spring/Summer

(Daylight Saving Time starts)

Monday - Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Fall/Winter

(Daylight Saving Time ends)

Monday - Saturday: 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

CEMETERY OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Sunday: By Appointment

Except for the following holidays:

New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day,
Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

PURPOSE

These Rules and Regulations are designed for the protection of owners of interment rights as a group. They are intended, not as restraining, but rather as preventing the inconsiderate from taking unfair advantage of others. Their enforcement will help you protect and preserve the beauty of your Memorial Gardens. These Rules and Regulations are hereby adopted as the rules and regulations of the Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens, and all owners of interment rights, visitors and contractors performing work within the Memorial Gardens, shall be subject to said Rules and Regulations, amendments or alterations as shall be adopted by the Memorial Gardens from time to time.

DEFINITIONS

1. The term "Company" or "Memorial Gardens" shall mean Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens, Inc., its successors and/or assigns.
2. The term "Owner" shall mean the owner of rights of interment.
3. The term "interment" shall mean inurnment of cremated remains, entombment or burial of the remains of a deceased person.
4. The term "memorial" shall mean any marker or structure upon or in any lot or niche, for the purpose of identification or in memory of the interred.
5. The term "contractor" as used in these rules and regulations shall mean any person, firm or corporation or anyone engaged in placing, erecting or repairing any memorial, or performing any work in the Memorial Gardens grounds, other than an employee of the Company.

OWNERSHIP

6. Interment rights shall be used for no other purpose than the burial of the human dead.

SUPERVISION OF CEMETERY

7. This Company reserves the right to compel all persons coming into the Memorial Gardens to obey all rules and regulations adopted by the Company. The Officers of Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens, Inc., its successors and/or assigns may change the rules and regulations, without notice to any Owner.
8. The Company shall take reasonable precaution to protect Owners, and the property rights of Owners, within the Memorial Gardens, from loss or damage, but it distinctly disclaims all responsibility for loss or damage from causes beyond its reasonable control, and especially from damage caused by the elements, an act of God, vandals, malicious mischief makers, explosions, unavoidable accidents, military or civil, whether the damage be direct or collateral, other than as herein provided.

9. The Company reserves the right to correct any errors that may be made in making interments or to correct errors which may prevent interments from being made, by substituting and conveying other interment rights of equal value and similar location if one is available; or, in the sole discretion of the Company, by refunding the amount of money paid for the unusable interment rights. In the event such error shall involve the interment of the remains of any person in such property, the Company reserves the right to remove and transfer such remains so interred to such other property of equal value and similar location as may be substituted and conveyed in lieu thereof. The Company also shall have the right to correct any error made placing a memorial on the wrong space.
10. Automobiles shall not be driven through the grounds at a greater speed than fifteen miles per hour and must always be kept on the right side of the roadways. Automobiles are not allowed to park or to come to a full stop in front of an open grave unless such automobiles are in attendance at the funeral.
11. The right to enlarge, reduce, replat or change the boundaries or grading of any section of the Memorial Gardens, from time to time, including the right to modify or change the location of, or any part thereof or remove or regrade, roads, drives and walks, is hereby expressly reserved. The right to lay, maintain and operate, or alter or change pipelines or gutters for sprinkling systems, drainage, lakes, etc., is also expressly reserved, as well as is the right to use Memorial Gardens' property, not sold to individual owners, for Company purposes, including the interring and preparing for interment of dead human bodies, or for anything necessary, incidental or convenient thereto. The Company reserves to itself and to those lawfully entitled thereto, a perpetual right of ingress and egress over lots for the purpose of passage to and from other lots.

SALE AND PURCHASE OF INTERMENT RIGHTS

12. The sale or transfer of any interment right by any Owner or purchaser, shall not be binding upon the Company unless same shall first be duly approved in writing by the properly authorized officer of the Company and then such interment right must be reconveyed to the Company; the Company shall issue a Conveyance to the new Owner. The same rule shall apply in all cases of assignment of a contract for the purchase of interment rights. This procedure is required in order that the Company, at all times, will have a complete and accurate record of all owners and purchasers.
13. Any and all transfers of any interment right, whether same be by conveyance or assignment of a contract, are subject to all rules and regulations of the Memorial Gardens, which are now in full force and effect or which may be hereafter enacted. The Company may refuse to consent to a transfer or to an assignment as long as there is any indebtedness due the Company from the Owner so recorded in the records of the Company at its Office. All transfers of ownership shall be subject to a charge that must be paid to the Company when the transfer is recorded.
14. The subdivision of interment rights is not allowed without the consent of the Company and no one shall be buried in any lot not having an interest therein, except by written consent of all parties interested in such lot and of the Company.
15. All interment rights are sold subject to payment for Permanent Care and all work on lots will be done by the employees of the Memorial Gardens under the direction of the

Company, except when permission is otherwise granted. All grading, landscape work, and improvements of any kind, and all care of lots, shall be done, and all trees, shrubs, and herbage of any kind shall be planted, trimmed, cut or removed, and all openings and closings of lots, and all interments, disinterments, and removals shall be made by the Memorial Gardens.

16. No enclosures of any kind, such as flowers, a fence, coping, hedge, or ditch, (excepting burial estates when so planned by the Company) shall be permitted around any grave or lot. Grave mounds will not be allowed and no lot shall be raised above the established grade.
17. Interment rights can be purchased in the Memorial Gardens only with the written approval of the officers or manager, and subject to the rules and regulations of said Company now or hereafter adopted for the government of the Memorial Gardens, and for the purpose of interment only. This provision applies to all sales, whether made directly by the Company or sales made by Owners. The owner of interment rights will be eligible for trade-in credits only if the owner originally purchased said interment rights from the Company.
18. No interment rights or contracts for the purchase of interment rights can be sold, assigned, transferred, pledged or hypothecated without the written approval of an officer of the Company.
19. All agreements for the purchase of interment rights must be on forms approved and signed by an authorized Officer of the Company. All terms and conditions for the purchase of interment rights must be recited in the purchase contract. Verbal agreements or representations will not be recognized. All agreements must provide for payment for the care of the lot, which amount is to be paid into the Perpetual Care Fund Trust for care of the lot and the Memorial Gardens generally.
20. When desired by Owners, the Company may exchange interment rights for interment rights of equal value. When such exchange is made, the original conveyance must be surrendered by proper assignment or by reconveyance, if considered necessary, before any change is effected.
21. Each Owner is vested with the ownership of interment rights for the sole purpose of interment of the human dead. Under the regulations of the Company, the interment rights cannot be conveyed without the consent of the Company, nor any use, division or improvements of them be made which the Company prohibits, or may deem improper. The Owner of interment rights may dispose of same by specific reference thereto in the Owner's will; otherwise, the interment rights, upon the death of the owner, will pass to the owner's heirs as defined in the Maryland Code.
22. No conditional or partial transfer of interment rights and no sale of an undivided interest, except to a person or persons who are already part-owners, will be recorded, as the Company cannot be responsible for the carrying out of the intent of the grantor. No burial shall be made on any lot until the purchaser has paid for the interment rights and the amount due the Perpetual Care Fund Trust.
23. The general care of the entire Memorial Gardens grounds and lots is assumed by the Company under the provisions of its Perpetual Care Fund Trust Agreements. This, however, does not provide for any special care. The company, upon application, will make estimates for any special work, and charges for the work must be paid in advance.
24. If any tree, shrub, or plant standing upon any lot, by means of its roots, branches, or otherwise, be or become detrimental to adjacent lots or avenues, or if for any other

reason its removal is deemed necessary, the Company shall have the right and it shall be their duty, to remove such tree, shrub or plant, or any part thereof, or otherwise correct the condition existing as in their judgment seems best. This also shall apply to a tree that is planted by an Owner with the permission of the Company; The Company shall not be responsible for such a memorial tree. If a tree must be removed for natural reasons, the Owner will be responsible for replacing it, but will not be required to do so.

FUNERAL REGULATIONS

25. A funeral, after entering the gates, shall be subject to the direction of the Officers, or authorized employees of the Memorial Gardens.
26. Notice of ten working hours before the announced time of the funeral will be required.
27. An interment, entombment or inurnment fee shall be paid for every burial.
28. The Cemetery must secure an authorization for each burial signed by the owner of record or by all parties having an interest in the interment rights. This is a vitally important requirement in the burial process.
29. Arrangements for removal of remains from a space, crypt or niche must be made with the knowledge of the Company. Application for a removal permit must be signed by next of kin and properly notarized prior to time of removal.
30. The burial of two adult bodies in one grave will not be permitted except in the case of turf top crypts or double depth vaults in special sections or spaces as designated by the Company. An additional burial right(s) must be purchased when more than one person is placed in a burial space or crypt originally intended for one person.
31. Without the express permission of the Company, no single grave space may contain more than two urns of cremated remains.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

32. No dogs shall be permitted in the Memorial Gardens, except on a leash.
33. Consuming lunches, beer or intoxicating liquors within the Memorial Gardens is strictly forbidden.
34. No boxes, shelves, toys, glassware, sprinkling cans, receptacles, flags, balloons, pinwheels or similar articles will be permitted on any grave, lot or tree.
35. The Company is not responsible for theft or damage to anything placed on graves, lots or placed inside of lots, crypts or niches.
36. Concrete vaulted outer containers approved by the Company shall be required for each burial.
37. Any person desiring to remove remains from the grave space of another must present a written permit signed by the Owner for such removal, and also permission from the office of the Baltimore County Attorney's Office to have such a removal made. These documents shall remain on file in the office of the Company.
38. The Company and its agents have authority to enter upon any lot to remove any object placed there contrary to the Company's rules and regulations.

39. No person shall be permitted to enter or leave the Memorial Gardens except by the public gates that will be open during such daylight hours as specified by the authorized Officers of the Company.
40. Any person found on the grounds after dark will be considered a trespasser.
41. Speed of over 15 miles per hour will not be permitted, and no person shall ride, drive or park upon the lawns.
42. Holders containing flowers or other decorations will be removed as soon as the flowers fade and wither and the right is reserved by the Company to make such removal. Also, winter wreaths will be removed at such time as is specified by the authorized Officer of the Company. No artificial ornaments of plastic, Styrofoam, or similar material, may be placed upon any grave at any time.
43. All persons are forbidden to hunt or to fish. Also, it is vitally important to refrain from feeding wildfowl in order to limit the unsightly mess that geese and ducks leave on the grass and on memorials.
44. No money shall be paid the attendants at the entrance or on the grounds. The entire time of the persons regularly employed on the grounds belong to the Company. Visitors and Owners should not otherwise engage them. All orders, inquiries and requests must be left at the office.
45. All persons are reminded that the grounds are sacredly devoted to the burial of the dead and the provisions and penalties of the law, as provided by statute, will be strictly enforced in all cases of wanton injury, disturbance and disregard of the rules.

MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

46. The Company may, and it hereby expressly reserves the right to, at any time or times, with or without notice to Owners, adopt new rules and regulations, or to amend, alter and/or repeal any rule, regulation and/or article, section, paragraph and/or sentence in these Rules and Regulations. Special cases may arise in which the literal enforcement of a rule may impose unnecessary hardship. The Company, therefore, reserves the right, without notice, to make exceptions, suspensions, or modifications in any of the Rules and Regulations, when, in its judgment, the same appear advisable. Such temporary exceptions, suspensions, or modifications shall in no way be construed as affecting the general application of such.

MEMORIALS

BECAUSE OUR REGULATIONS GOVERNING MEMORIALS OFTEN CHANGE, IT IS STRONGLY SUGGESTED THAT BEFORE PURCHASING A MEMORIAL, ALL THE REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO MEMORIALS SHOULD BE CAREFULLY REVIEWED. A CURRENT LIST OF REGULATIONS IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE IN OUR ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE.

47. NUMBER OF NAMES ALLOWED PER MEMORIAL:
60X20 – FOUR NAMES / 56X16 – THREE NAMES / 44X14, 44X13 & 16X24 – TWO NAMES / 24X12, 24X13 & 24X14 – ONE NAME
48. Only a Grecian or Hammered Doric vase assembly is permitted (no stars, inscription or cross, please.) The vase assembly must be in the memorial or in the memorial's granite base – *no separate vase assemblies*. The vase must have a uniform 4" diameter and the vase must be compatible with Matthews' locking configuration. Please note that we do not permit a 24x12 with an inside vase.
49. Granite base must be similar to Star Granite's pink pearl (gray, black and white with a hint of pink and the sides must be rough-cut.)
50. Base must be 6" thick for 44x14, 44x13 & Double Military, Side By Side, with or without a vase, bronze memorials.
All other size bronze memorials, a minimum of 4" is acceptable.
51. 44x14 Cremation memorials are not permitted
52. Memorial finish must match or closely resemble Matthews Bronze *Light* finish or Matthews *Aztec, Hunter Green, Aquamarine, Black Cherry, Dark Teal or Black Midnight* finish.
53. No memorial may be set to embrace two or more grave spaces except a companion or a family memorial, nor shall more than one family name be permitted on any memorial, unless approved in writing by the Company.
The owner of the space must approve placement of a memorial.
54. All memorials shall be set on uniform lines, and in such manner and of such material as prescribed by the Company to conform to the general plan of the Memorial Gardens.
55. The marking of each lot, grave or graves, except as hereinafter provided, is limited to flat bronze tablets, (with or without vases) set flush with the turf, except in designated upright sections, and of such dimension, materials, finish and construction as designated by the Company. Written approval by the Company must be secured before any marker or memorial may be delivered to the Memorial Gardens for installation. No separate vase unit may be installed except in special areas designated by the Company.
56. To preserve uniform beauty, all bronze memorials must meet the following specifications:
Each casting shall be true, free from all weakening defects of any character, and also free from minor defects and imperfections that would be visible from a distance of 3 feet. All exposed surfaces must be smooth; no sand-like roughness will be permitted. All letters, numerals, ornamentation and insignia must be finely buffed and highlighted. Backgrounds shall be of sculptured texture per approved sample in Company office. No sulfide, nor golden antimony, nor liver of sulfur finishes will be permitted and the Company may require an affidavit from the manufacturer of any memorial that it has not employed any of the above finishes.

57. Each memorial shall be cast with integral bosses on the back in locations specified by the Company. These bosses shall be drilled and tapped to receive 1/8th diameter anchor lugs of brass or bronze from 4" to 6" in length, these anchor lugs are to be supplied to the Company with the memorial.
58. All Owners or anyone duly authorized to act for or on behalf of an Owner, before ordering any memorial, must secure from the Company written approval of inscription, design, size and lettering size.
59. EMBLEMS MAY NOT BE ADDED TO A MEMORIAL AFTER IT HAS BEEN CAST. PICTURE FRAMES MAY NOT BE PLACED ON A MEMORIAL. IN SHORT, NOTHING MAY BE ADDED TO A BRONZE MEMORIAL, VASE, OR GRANITE BASE.

PERPETUAL CARE

60. All interment spaces sold and to be sold in the Memorial Gardens require a deposit for perpetual care, which amount is delivered to local trust companies for administration. Perpetual care means that the Memorial Gardens will be maintained in keeping with a well-preserved cemetery, including the cutting of grass, and trimming of shrubs and trees at reasonable intervals, the procuring, maintaining and keeping in reasonable condition the machinery, tools and equipment needed for that purpose, and replacing same when necessary; keeping in repair the drains, water lines, roads, building, fences and other structures, including features and embellishments of a general character applicable to the Memorial Gardens as a whole or to a particular area; painting, cleaning or otherwise preserving same at reasonable intervals, maintaining the necessary records of interment space, ownership and burials, and other necessary information, and having same available to the public authorities and other interested persons.

FLORAL REGULATIONS FOR DULANEY VALLEY MEMORIAL GARDENS

WE ARE WILDLIFE FRIENDLY.

Please enjoy their beauty and excuse their manners.

GARDENS

1. Fresh-cut flowers are permitted all year.
2. Potted flowers, plants, summer wreaths or baskets are permitted on Easter, Mother's Day, Memorial Day, and Father's Day. Dulaney Valley will remove these items one week following the special observance.
3. The Company reserves the right to remove unsightly flowers, potted plants, summer wreaths or baskets of flowers when they become withered, or for any reason at management's discretion.
4. Artificial flowers are permitted but will be removed if deemed by the cemetery to be weathered, frayed, discolored or unsightly.
5. Artificial flowers are permitted during the period between October 15th and April 15th.
6. Funeral flowers will remain for 3 business days following the day of the service.
7. Live or cut Christmas trees are not permitted.
8. Planting of flowers, shrubbery, etc. in vases or ground is never permitted.
9. Dulaney Valley will remove all Christmas tributes on January 25th.

MAUSOLEUM

1. Outdoor mausoleum crypts welcome fresh-cut flowers and bouquets anytime when placed in a suitable vase or container.
2. Indoor mausoleum crypts welcome artificial and/or dried flower tributes on the tables or in crypt vases. If placed on the table, they must be placed in a proper container or vase.
3. Dulaney Valley will remove all fresh, artificial and/or dried flower tributes on the following dates: January 25th and October 1st.
4. Potted plants/flowers and wreaths are not permitted at any time.
5. No wreaths or floral tributes on stands will be permitted except during funerals. Funeral flowers will remain for 3 business days following the day of the service.
6. Only bronze emblems and vases, approved and installed by Dulaney Valley, may be attached to the crypt fronts.
7. Dulaney Valley will remove all Christmas tributes on January 25th.

Please keep in mind:

In the evening, deer often enter the cemetery and may eat flowers.
To protect your flowers, you may consider applying a deer-repellent spray.
The cemetery does not provide this service.

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