

TOWN OF CORINTH CEMETERIES
Corinthian, Evergreen, Hilltop, Boutelle, Simpson

Rules and Regulations

Amended September 21, 2020

The Corinthian, Evergreen, Hilltop, Boutelle, Simpson cemetery properties are owned by the Town of Corinth, which by law and custom has the full right to establish, amend and otherwise maintain all rules for its use. The conveyance of burial plots to individuals for disposition of human remains is subject to said State of Maine laws and since the founding of the cemetery, have been and must be changed and amended for the benefit of all.

In an ongoing effort to maintain and to improve the beauty and sacredness of Corinthian, Evergreen, Hilltop, Boutelle and Simpson cemeteries, the Cemetery Trustees under the direction and agreement from the Town of Corinth Selectmen have recommended the following established guidelines and rules. **These Rules and Regulations are effective for all established and any new cemetery lots developed after April 1, 2009.**

CONTACT PERSON: The Town Sexton, appointed by the Selectmen, is the official contact person for all burials of human remains occurring in the Town of Corinth cemeteries. The Sexton will coordinate with the funeral director and/or the public to arrange for said burials. Information to reach the Sexton is available at the Town Office.

FEE: Payment for a Cemetery Lot must be submitted to the Town Office with all monies to be deposited into the Town of Corinth Cemetery Account. A receipt for said purchase, along with a copy of said Deed, will be acknowledged and retained with the Town Burial Records. Rates are hereby established as follows with understanding that said rates are subject to be changed in the future if deemed necessary by the Cemetery Trustees and Selectmen. Fees for a Cemetery Lot may be paid for in advance at any time with no discount allowed for full cash payment

Town Resident: \$100.00 per person

Non-Resident: \$500.00 per person

The 10' X 5' lots in the new south end division, established in 2007, at Corinthian Cemetery will hold one full burial or two cremations. All other lots are four or eight person lots. The roads in the south end division are marked alphabetically.

Resident is determined to be a person who declares Corinth as their primary residence. A **Non-Resident** is determined to be a person who has immediate family members living or buried in Corinth or who owns property in Corinth but does not declare Corinth as their primary residence. It is further agreed that no burial of any type may occur on said burial plot until the purchase price has been paid in full to the Town Office.

CEMETERY MAINTENANCE: The general maintenance of the Town Cemeteries shall be the responsibility of the Town. It shall include such items as the upkeep of roadways, buildings, spring and fall clean-up, mowing and trimming of grass, removal of trees, shrubs and rubbish. Crushed rock, colored gravel, white stones, shells or fences are not allowed due to the hazard created during maintenance.

GRAVESTONES AND MARKERS: The owner of any plot shall have the right to erect any gravestone or marker which conforms to the size of the plot and has a suitable foundation. It is desirable that the plot owner contact the Sexton to discuss the appropriate size, height and width, before making any purchase. All monument /gravestone companies or representatives must contact the Sexton before any work is to be done. Each plot must have a permanent marker. All non-traditional monuments are to be pre-approved by Cemetery Trustees.

PLANTINGS: Cemetery lots shall not be obstructed by any planting except in the following manner: planting of appropriate flowers must be made directly in the front or the back of the main above-ground gravestone or main flat marker only. In the absence of a main monument, flowers must be planted as near the center of the lot as possible. Such plantings shall not exceed 14 inches in width and cannot exceed the height of the stone. No plantings are allowed near or around any individual foot marker, flush or raised. All evergreen trees, shrubs, flowering shrubs, and rose or other thorn bushes are prohibited. If any existing tree and/or shrub situated on any plot becomes dead, overgrown or unsightly, or is detrimental to an adjacent lot, it shall be removed by the Maintenance Crew, with prior notice first given to the plot owner, if possible.

URNS AND FLOWER VASES: Placement of urns, vases, baskets, boxes, and potted plants may be allowed in the front or the back of the gravestone and/or marker if no planting already exists. In the event there is no above-ground gravestone or marker on the cemetery lot, one of these items may be placed where the above-ground gravestone and/or marker would be located so as not to obstruct

moving operations. Artificial decorations and containers will be removed if they become unsightly. All containers must be removed by October 31st of each year.

ORNAMENTS: The use of religious or non-religious ornaments, including but not limited to benches, lawn ornaments, glass containers, bird feeders, tin cans, cars, toys, balloons, wind chimes, vigil lights, pin wheels and plant holders will not be allowed. The Town of Corinth is not responsible for the loss of or damage to any items placed on grave sites. The Town reserves the right to trim or remove any items which are contrary to this ordinance, or which have become unsightly and no longer contribute to the beauty and dignity of the cemetery. The Town is not responsible for any items removed.

FLAGS: All US military veterans will have a US Flag placed on or near their grave marker prior to the observance of Memorial Day. Each veteran fireman will have a Fireman's Flag placed near their grave.

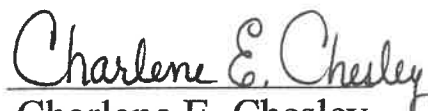
OPENING AND CLOSING OF ALL GRAVES: Opening and Closing of all graves will only be performed by the Town Sexton or their representative. Pending ground conditions, the Cemetery Trustees will make the decision as to when graves will be Opened in the Spring and when graves will cease to be Opened in the Fall. Vaults are required for all non-cremation burials.

The hand pump at Corinthian Cemetery has been replaced, and is available for use in watering plants.

You are urged to read these Rules and Regulations carefully and if you have any questions or concerns about any of these Rules and Regulations, please call the Town Office at 285-3271. Any future changes or amendments to these Rules and Regulations will be posted at the Town Office. The Selectmen of the Town of Corinth and the Cemetery Trustees want to thank you for your understanding and cooperation. We are committed to providing a beautiful and sacred place for all those interred and for all those who will visit.

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