

SELMA CEMETERY DISTRICT

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SELMA CEMETERY DISTRICT COLUMBARIUM DECORATION POLICY

Purpose

To maintain the dignity, safety, and pristine appearance of the columbarium and cremation gardens, management enforces a regular floral maintenance and pick-up schedule.

Columbarium Floral Placement & Monthly Pick-Up Policy

1. General Placement Guidelines

- **Approved Vases Only:** All floral tributes must be placed in cemetery-approved, vases provided by the district.
- **No Adhesives:** For the preservation of the granite or bronze niche fronts, items such as tape, glue, wire, ribbons, or stickers are strictly prohibited.
- **Size Limitations:** Floral arrangements must not exceed the width of the niche front or encroach upon neighboring niches.
- **Prohibited Items:** Glass containers, potted plants, pin wheels, statues, trinkets, figurines, and flammable items are strictly prohibited for the safety of visitors and staff.

2. Permitted Flower Types

- **Fresh Flowers:** Permitted year-round in approved vases.
- **Artificial Flowers:** Permitted year-round in approved vases.

3. Monthly and Routine Pick-Up Schedule

- **Weekly/Bi-Weekly Maintenance:** Cemetery maintenance staff routinely inspect the columbarium and will remove and discard any fresh flowers that are wilted, discolored, or unsightly.
- **Monthly Clean-Up:** A comprehensive clean-up occurs on the **first Wednesday of every month**. During this time, **ALL** arrangements will be discarded to allow for groundskeeping and deep cleaning of the structure.
- **Holiday Adjustments:** For major holidays (New Year's, Valentine's, Memorial Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Easter, Veteran's, Thanksgiving and Christmas), special placement and removal periods apply.

4. Family Retrieval

- If you wish to keep an arrangement, families are encouraged to retrieve their items the evening before the scheduled monthly clean-up.
- The cemetery reserves the right to dispose of any items that do not comply with these rules without prior notification, and is not responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged personal items or approved vases.