

## EXPANDED POLICY ON GRAVESITE DECORATION

A grave is 4' wide and 9' long. There is a 5' walkway between the rows. The maximum size of a **permanent** (poured concrete) foundation on a single grave is 4' wide and 2' long (see drawing).

The Township Board will allow a **non-permanent** hard surface extension to be made to the permanent foundation. Sometimes called a patio block, these are widely available and come in various sizes and surface finishes, or the family may make their own for a more personalized look. Stones, bark, mulch, or other loose material or vegetation is not permitted.

These blocks may be placed in **front** of the permanent foundation (in the walkway) as long as the total front-to-back measurement does not exceed 3'.

They may be placed **beside** the permanent foundation and even extend onto the adjacent grave as long as you own that grave. Corners must be square and the surface must be flush with the permanent foundation.

All tokens, keepsakes, stepping-stones, urns, etc. must be out of the grass and on the concrete of the permanent or non-permanent foundation. Any vertical rods, poles, flag holders, solar lights and shepard's hooks must be located within the non-permanent foundation.

**PLEASE BE AWARE** that, under certain conditions, it may be necessary to remove part or all of your non-permanent foundation to dig a grave or maintain the grounds.

If this happens the family will be responsible to remove the non-permanent foundation and replace it if desired. If this removal is required but not done by the family, the sexton will remove it at the family's expense. The family will be responsible for replacement.

**OUR GOAL** is to preserve our cemetery as a peaceful and beautiful place to remember our loved ones and maintain an economical and safe level of maintenance.

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