



Garrison Forest Veterans Cemetery

General Information

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1. Cemetery gates will be open to visitors every day of the year from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The gates will close at 4:45 p.m. to allow visitors to exit the cemetery. The cemetery will remain open until 8:00 p.m. on Memorial Day (the date of State observance).
2. Cut flowers may be placed on graves at any time (no glass) containers. Flowers and temporary containers will be removed from graves as soon as bouquets become unsightly. During the growing season when grass requires cutting, all flowers—both fresh and those that have become unsightly—will be removed prior to grounds maintenance.
3. Effective September 1, 1997, the Maryland Veterans Cemeteries will no longer accept permanent in-ground flower vases for installation at our five facilities.
4. Artificial flowers and wreaths may be placed on graves from November 1 through March 31 only. Potted plants and holiday wreaths will be permitted on graves only during the period 10 days before and 10 days after Easter Sunday and Memorial Day (the date of state observance). Christmas wreaths are permitted during the Christmas season only, from December 1 through January 31. Any Christmas flowers or wreaths remaining on graves as of February 1 will be removed and discarded. Please retrieve valuable floral arrangements before that date to avoid disappointment.
5. Potted plants (except as noted above), permanent plantings, statues, vigil lights, glass objects of any kind, balloons, toys, stuffed animals, and similar commemorative items are not permitted on graves at any time. All unauthorized items will be removed by cemetery staff and discarded.
6. Small United States flags will be placed on graves by cemetery staff one day preceding Memorial Day and will be removed the following work day. Veterans Day and Flag Day only; U.S. grave site flags (8"x12") may be placed on grave by cemetery visitors and need to be removed by close of business that day. Flags are not permitted on graves at any other time.
7. Until growing conditions are favorable and the turf has been established burial areas may be substandard in appearance. After the grave has stabilized, and active burial operations have been moved to other areas, the overall appearance of an occupied section will improve. Meanwhile, the cemetery staff requests your understanding and asks that you refrain from placing sod or grass seed on burial sites.
8. Complaints or questions should be brought to the attention of the Cemetery Superintendent Monday through Friday between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
9. Please respect the dignity of your veterans cemetery by not littering the grounds, cutting, injuring or breaking trees or shrubs, or using the grounds as a picnic area. Pets, bicycling, or running on cemetery grounds is prohibited.
10. No personal vehicles in sections or on grass.

NAME: _____
 AREA: _____ SECTION: _____
 ROW: _____ GRAVE: _____

(For most sections the directions below will apply, however, some sections are not complete and require assistance from cemetery staff. Please ask us!)

From Section Post _____, Go To The Right _____ Rows,
 Then Go Forward _____ Graves To Your Location.

