

GAINES TOWNSHIP CEMETERIES RULES

For the benefit of all who have loved ones laid to rest in this cemetery and for the proper maintenance of the graves, Gaines Township has the following rules:

Cemetery Rules

- Limit 1 item per marker/headstone. Example: Shepherds hook with hanging basket, planter or urn with flowers, or flowers planted in ground.
- Only Natural flowers are permitted in the ground but must be maintained and have at least a 2" space between them and the grass for maintenance purposes.
(Please no perennials)
- Artificial flowers are permitted but must be in an approved container and kept current.
- No artificial ground cover is permitted. This includes marbles, stone, lava rock, wood chip etc.
- No brick or stone borders may be used. No fencing, railing, or edging is permitted.
- All planters must be placed directly next to the headstone and be in proportion to the headstone.
- No trees, shrubs or evergreens may be planted without the Sexton approval.
- No benches allowed.

Flowers planted in the ground **MUST** be well maintained or the sexton will remove them.

Items **NOT** allowed on graves:

Glass or plastic vases, solar lights, decorative flags, stuffed animals, whirling and/or twirling devices, mementos and other personal items.

No plastic and/or glass containers of any kind

Flowers are allowed from April 1 to November 1. Holiday wreaths are allowed from December 1 to April 1.

Gaines Township is not responsible for damage to head stone or any items around the grave stone.

The Sexton will use their discretion in removing any display that does not follow these rules or add to the overall order on this cemetery. These items will be placed to the east of the maintenance building.

Per Ordinance of Gaines Charter Township