



FLORAL REGULATIONS

IDAHO STATE VETERANS CEMETERY—BOISE

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PERMITTED:



Natural, Cut Flowers may be placed at gravesites at any time of the year, and will remain until they begin to wilt or need to be removed for maintenance. **“Cemetery Cones”** (the green plastic vases) are available for your use and are located in the numerous green bins found throughout the cemetery.

A Small American Flag may also be placed in the cemetery cone with the floral arrangement. The flag may not be attached to the gravestone and will be removed as it becomes weathered.



Funeral Floral Arrangements: The Cemetery staff will place up to three (3) floral arrangements, which accompanied the casket or urn for the committal service, on the completed gravesite at the time of burial. This is a one-time allowance. Breakable containers will not be placed at any time.

Flower Deliveries: If you would like to arrange for a **flower delivery for a committal service**, please ensure that the florist has the correct DATE AND TIME of the service. Deliveries to the committal shelter need to be **ON THE SAME DAY AS THE COMMITTAL SERVICE & AT LEAST 30 MIN BEFORE THE SERVICE START TIME**. Flowers can be **delivered to a gravesite at any time**, but the arrangements/ containers must adhere to the floral regulations.



Seasonal Exceptions: This cemetery participates in **“Wreaths across America;”** a donation-based program to place wreaths throughout the cemetery from **mid-December—mid-January**. If you would like to donate a wreath for your loved one’s gravesite, please contact the office or visit us online for more information.

NOT PERMITTED:

Artificial Flowers, Potted Plants & Glass/Ceramic Vases: These are not permitted at any time of year as their presence interferes with cemetery maintenance and can damage grave markers. Any arrangements not in a green “cemetery cone” will be removed.

Fragile or Valuable Items: Mementos, balloons, coins, stuffed animals, permanent plantings, etc. are prohibited and will be removed. We recommend that you do not leave behind any items that you consider to be valuable or sentimental, or that you wish to recover later. Cemetery Staff is not responsible for retaining any of these items for you.

Hazardous or Offensive Decorations: Adornments that are considered unsafe or inconsistent with the dignity of the cemetery will be removed. For example, items incorporating beads or wires can become entangled in maintenance equipment and cause injury to staff or visitors.

***Items Taped, Glued or Attached in any way to the Grave Markers & Niche Covers is strictly prohibited.** Temporarily or permanently attaching items, writing or marking on the stone or other means of altering the granite markers is not permitted. This causes damage that requires extensive labor & cost to clean or replace, which could be at the family’s expense.



GRAVESITE MAINTENANCE:



The Cemetery is not responsible for any items left at the gravesites. Staff will remove flowers and other items as they become weathered, when they do not comply with regulations, or to accommodate maintenance operations. Tasks such as mowing and trimming occur throughout the week on an as-needed basis. There is no set schedule for which day each task takes place.

We have a diverse wildlife population year-round, and deer are especially fond of grazing on flowers left overnight at the cemetery. Caretakers remove the remnants and clean up the area each morning.