

# **COOPERSVILLE POLKTON CEMETERY**

## **Rules and Regulations**

**543 Cleveland Street West  
Coopersville, Michigan 49404**

**City of Coopersville  
616-997-9731**

### **Grave Purchases:**

Selection of a grave site(s) is arranged with the City of Coopersville. Financial transactions for all grave selections, a deed transfer or a deed duplication are received at the City of Coopersville office located at 289 Danforth Street. Office hours are Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm., closed on Friday. Phone number is (616) 997-9731.

### **Grave Transfers:**

Grave owners shall obtain authorization from the Cemetery Board for grave transfers. An applicable transfer fee is established by the Cemetery Board.

### **Interment of Remains of Other:**

Grave owners may permit interment of remains of other persons, but not for money consideration. A written request must be submitted to the Cemetery Board.

### **Grave Repurchases:**

The Coopersville - Polkton Cemetery Board shall have the first option to repurchase graves. Resale of graves without approval of the Cemetery Board is prohibited.

### **Fixed Charges:**

In all cases of interment, the fixed charges include the opening, closing and first seeding of graves.

### **Articles on Graves Prohibited:**

Shrubs, plants, designs, or similar articles placed on graves are prohibited. Shepherd hooks, ornament holders, or decorations that penetrate the ground are prohibited. All other memorials and plantings must be removed no later than October 1 of each year, or they will be disposed of. Winter wreaths are permitted November through the Monday before Easter.

### **Removal of Articles on Graves:**

The Caretaker, under the direction of the Cemetery Board, shall have the power to remove from any lot any tree, branches, roots, shrubs or plants that are deemed offensive, unsightly or injurious to the appearance of the surrounding lots or grounds. The Caretaker shall have power to remove any stone, monument, railing or other structure, which is deemed improper or unapproved.

### **Memorial Bases and Foundations:**

All bases and foundations for memorials must be approved.

### **Vaults:**

Vaults are required for all burials, except for cremations.

### **Property Destruction Prohibited:**

All persons are strictly prohibited from destroying, mutilating or injuring any tomb, monument, stone, tree, shrub or any object whatsoever in the Cemetery. All persons are reminded that the grounds are sacredly devoted to the burial of the dead and that the provisions and penalties of the law as provided by the statutes will be strictly enforced in all cases of wanton injury, disturbance and disregard of rules.

### **Burial Permits and Records:**

The Cemetery Board shall have the power to fix the price of grave lots and rights of burial in the Cemetery grounds. The Secretary shall keep a permanent and accurate record of the grave lots and grants of burial shall not be permitted upon the cemetery grounds until a proper certificate is issued. Cement containers are required for any burial. Only human remains may be interred in said cemetery.

### **Schedule of Fees:**

#### Grave Lots & Deed Transfers

##### Grave Lot (Regular)

* Resident:	\$500.00
Non Resident:	\$1000.00

##### Grave Lot (Cremains/Infant)

* Resident:	\$300.00
Non Resident:	\$600.00

##### Deed Transfer

*Resident:	\$100.00
Non Resident:	\$400.00

Deed transfer means transferring the name of a person showing ownership of gravesite to a new owner. Proof of ownership is required.

#### **\*Residents...**

Residents are persons who reside inside the municipal limits of either the City of Coopersville or Polkton Township. Do not confuse those with persons who have a "Coopersville" mailing address.

The City of Coopersville collects for the price of the Grave Lot or Deed Transfer. Other Fees are listed for Informational Purposes Only.

#### Other Fees - (Informational Only)

##### Chapel Use

*Resident:	\$150.00
Non Resident:	\$400.00

##### Grave Opening (Regular)

* Resident:	\$800.00
Non Resident:	\$1500.00

##### Grave Opening (Cremains/Infant)

*Resident:	\$500.00
Non Resident:	\$1000.00

##### Stone (Concrete) Base (Per Square Inch)

Footings require a 2" border

Resident/Non Resident: \$0.75

*Headstone size is at discretion of the cemetery board.*

Grave Openings on dates between November 1 - April 1 \$250.00  
Saturdays an additional \$250.00  
After 4:00 P.M. an additional \$250.00

No graveside services are allowed  
between November 1<sup>st</sup> through April 1<sup>st</sup>.

Cemetery Rules and Regulations allow only approved urns or pails with handles for plantings.

### General Cemetery Layout

