

**RULES AND REGULATIONS TO GOVERN ELBRIDGE TOWNSHIP CEMETERY
OF ELBRIDGE TOWNSHIP, OCEANA COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

July 11, 2017

These rules and regulations are to ensure the protection of every lot assignee in the Elbridge Township Cemetery, and Elbridge Township and its board

ARTICLE I

All lots issued, by the Elbridge Township Board, after January 26, 1972, shall be assigned with compulsory perpetual care.

- A. The Elbridge Township Board shall invest all money received from perpetual care as provided by law.
- B. The income from the perpetual care fund shall be expended for cemetery purposes by the Board in such manner, as will, in their judgment, are most advantageous to the assignees as a whole.
- C. The record books of the Elbridge Township Board shall show the amount of the perpetual care fund that has been paid by each assignee and set aside in each case.

ARTICLE II

The Elbridge Township board has the authority to remove or limit all unsightly obstacles that do not conform to the rules and regulations of the Elbridge Township Cemetery.

- A. The board shall not allow any curbing, fencing, grave mounds, borders, or enclosures of any kind, around any lot.
- B. The board shall not be responsible for any damage done, in the Elbridge Township Cemetery that is deemed to be beyond their control.
- C. Permanent shrubbery or trees are subject to Elbridge Township Board approval and supervision. Spaces are not purchased property but rather assignees pay for upkeep.
- D. Any flowers that become dilapidated may be discarded at the discretion of the grounds keeper, or the sexton.

ARTICLE III

The burial rights of grave spaces herein provided will be sold by the Elbridge Township and be non-transferable without permission of the Elbridge Township Board. Grave spaces or Burial rights or spaces may be re-purchased by the Elbridge Township Board by repayment of any amount so paid for the perpetual care of that lot or grave space when it is deemed that lot or grace will not be used by the assignee. The Elbridge Township Board retains the right; beyond one (1), to limit the number lots or grave spaces anyone may be assigned.

- A. Each grave space shall be assigned for a flat rate of \$200.00.
- B. A copy of these rules and regulations will be issued with each grave space assignment.
- C. The Elbridge Township Board shall issue a Cemetery Right of Internment and a certificate of perpetual care for each grave space assigned.

- D. All burials shall be a standard concrete vault installed in each burial space before interment.
- E. Grave space designation shall be with name and date of birth or assignee.
- F. Should the names assignee not use their assigned grave space upon their death, the grave space may be reassigned by the original purchaser or their administrator and recorded with the Elbridge Township Clerk.
- G. The horizontal length of the grave stone shall be limited to 36 inches on each grave space

ARTICLE IV

Cremations

- A. Up to four (4) cremations shall be permitted for each grave space.
- B. There shall be a limit of only on (1) upright grave stone on each grave space, up to 3 additional flush mount stones shall be allowed.
- C. The horizontal length of the grave stone shall be limited to 36 inches on each grave space
- D. All cremations must be buried.
- E. Burial of cremation must be supervised by the sexton or other person so designated by Elbridge Township Board.

ARTICLE V

These rules and regulations have been adopted by the Elbridge Township Board on July 11th, 2017 and shall become effective August 11, 2017.

All parts of this document stand alone. Should any part of this document be found to be illegal it shall not affect or void any other parts of this document.