

Inserts for Newsletter: Otisco Township Cemeteries

The Otisco Township Cemetery Committee has recently toured the cemeteries and found that some grave sites do not meet the posted cemetery regulations; the regulations are as follows:

- Dwarf plantings and urns in line with monuments for mowing ease.
- Plastic flowers prohibited except in urns.
- Placement of foundations or monuments to be cleared with Cemetery Sexton.
- No loose stone, brick, landscaping timbers, or fencing on gravesites.

Please note, that per the Otisco Township Cemetery ordinances that the Cemetery committee can take the following actions; Section VIII - Ground Maintenance

B. No flowers, shrubs, trees or vegetation of any type shall be planted without approval of the Cemetery Sexton or Township Clerk. Any of the foregoing items planted without such approval may be removed by the Township or Sexton.

C. The Board reserves the right to remove or trim any tree, plant, or shrub located within the cemetery in interest of maintaining proper appearance and the use of the cemetery.

E. The Cemetery Sexton or appointee by the Township Board shall have the right and authority to remove and dispose of any and all growth, cut flowers, plants, emblems, displays or containers therefore or any item whatsoever which becomes unsightly, a source of litter, or a maintenance problem.

H. The Townships Board's determination as to any action taken under the authority granted by this section shall be final and conclusive, and any person purchasing a burial space shall be presumed to consent to such action.

For a copy of the full cemetery ordinance you may contact the Township Clerk.

Please be advised that the Otisco Township Cemetery Committee will remove any items, plantings, etc. that do not meet the posted regulations. This action will not take place until sometime in August 2015. Please visit the Smyrna and Otisco Cemetery's prior to August 15 to make sure that the graves of your loved ones meet the regulations.

Respectfully,

Otisco Township Cemetery Committee

The Otisco Township Cemetery Committee is looking into having markers cleaned and/or restored. If you are interested in having your family's markers cleaned and/or restored please complete the certificate below and you will receive a quote for the work.

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Grave Marker Location: Smyrna Cemetery _____ Otisco Cemetery _____

Name on Marker: _____

Grave number (if known) _____ or location: _____

Request made by: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS CERTIFICATE TO THE TOWNSHIP HALL OR PUT IN DROP BOX IN FRONT OF HALL