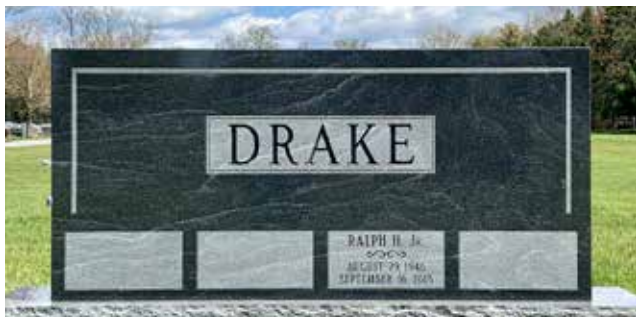


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Section 8 of the Religious Corporations Law of the State of New York

Title and Rights of Lot Owners:

The possession of a Certificate of Interment Rights or Deed by anyone other than the original purchaser does not guarantee ownership of or the right to use graves. Upon the death of the purchaser, the ownership of the lot is governed by Section 8 of the Religious Corporations Law of the State of New York:

“Lots in such cemeteries shall be held indivisible, and upon the decease of a proprietor of such lot the title thereto shall descend to his heirs-at-law or devisees subject, however, to the following limitations and conditions: If he leaves a widow and children, they shall have in common the possession, care and control of such lot during her life. If he leaves a widow and no children, she shall have the possession, care, and control of such lot during her life. If he leaves children and no widow, they or the survivor of them, shall in common have the possession, care and control of such lot during the life of the survivor of them. The parties having such possession, care and control of such lot during the term thereof may erect a monument and make other permanent improvements thereon. The widow shall have the right of interment, for her own body in such lot, or in a tomb in such lot and a right to have her body remain permanently interred or entombed therein, except that her body may be removed therefrom to some other family lot or tomb with the consent of her heirs. At any time when more than one person is entitled to the possession, care or control of such lot, the persons so entitled thereto shall designate in writing to the religious corporation which of their number shall represent the lot, and on their failure to designate, the board of trustees or directors of the corporation shall enter of record which of said parties shall represent the lot, while such failure continues. The widow may at any time release her right in such lot, but no conveyance or devise by any other person shall deprive her of such right.”



Cemetery Rules & Regulations

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General Information

- All Cemetery business must be transacted at the Cemetery office. Persons other than Cemetery officials are not authorized to conduct business for the Cemetery.
- Office hours are weekdays, 8:30am - 4:00pm, Saturday by appointment.
- The Cemeteries are open daily. Visiting hours are during daylight hours unless otherwise posted. Please contact the cemetery office for more information.

For more information visit
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These rules and regulations are put in place for the safety of our visitors and staff, and to keep our cemeteries beautiful, sacred and peaceful for all.

Thank you for your understanding.

General Clean-ups

A general cleanup will be conducted in the Cemetery twice a year, beginning on or about April 1 and November 1. All decorations will be removed and discarded at these times.

All Christmas decorations will be removed and discarded beginning February 1, time & weather permitting.

Lot owner/family/friends are responsible for removing decorations that they wish to save prior to these dates.



Decorations

Most Holy Redeemer Cemetery and certain sections of St. Agnes and St. Mary's, Troy Cemeteries allow only fresh cut flowers in approved cemetery vases except during the Christmas season.

Christmas floral pieces on an easel, Christmas decorations in an approved vase, and evergreen blankets are welcome on graves from November 15 to February 1.

An American flag is welcome on a grave for Memorial Day. Various veteran and civic groups place flags on veteran's grave for Memorial Day. These groups typically retrieve flags for reuse. Flags will be removed as per flag code.

One standard floral saddle is welcome on a monument.

Two non-ferrous, composite vases, Metalcraft™ or equivalent, of an appropriate size, are welcome on a monument base in a non-permanent manner.

Fresh cut flowers only are welcome in our mausoleums.

Please return bronze vases to the flush inverted position when not in use. For safety, bronze vases should be in the flush inverted position during the winter months.

Any article placed in the cemetery in violation of the rules and regulations may be removed and discarded without notice.

Common violations include, but are not limited to:

Urns	Flower planters, boxes & pots
Figurines	Plantings of any kind
Corner posts	Trellises
Glass of any kind	Wooden or plastic crosses
Flags and flag holders	Fraternal symbols
Toys or stuffed animals	Shepherd hooks
Solar lights	Crushed stone or wood chips
Statues	Temporary markers

Memorials

Each section of each cemetery may have specific rules and regulations, or program provisions, unique to that section or mausoleum. Please contact our office to determine the type of memorial allowed for that specific space prior to ordering one.

Application for the installation of a memorial must be made in writing on the Cemetery's Memorial Installation Application and signed by the owner. A rendering of the memorial must be included.

Memorials may be installed only after a signed Memorial Installation Application is approved by the Cemetery and the installer has filed a proper Certificate of Insurance.

Lots, crypts or niches must be paid in full before memorials are installed.

Only one marker is allowed per grave and must be set flush with the turf.

Any memorial with a non-religious design must also contain an appropriate religious design.

Installation of veteran markers must conform to Cemetery regulations, specifications, and comply with current VA regulations. The VA requires the signature of a Cemetery official certifying that the marker is permitted on the unmarked grave of the deceased. VA form 40-1330 should be accompanied by a Memorial Installation Application and payment of the installation fee.

Foundations are generally constructed as time and weather permits.

Memorials remain the private property of the lot owner. The Cemetery is not liable for maintenance and repair of private property.

Monument cleaning and restoration services are available. Contact us for a quote or more information.

For more information on memorials/regulations, visit
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