

TOWN OF MOUNT OLIVE, NORTH CAROLINA
CEMETERY/BURIAL POLICY
Adopted February 6, 2006
Amended July 15, 2015

The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Mount Olive hereby adopts the following Cemetery/Burial Policy to apply to all lots/plots in Oak view Cemetery, Carver Memorial Park and MYRTLE Grove (The Town Cemeteries):

1. The Town of Mount Olive prohibits burial of anything other than human remains in the Town Cemeteries.
2. The burial of a human body above ground is prohibited except in a granite or marble mausoleum.
3. The Town of Mount Olive and/or its contracted representatives will be solely responsible for opening and closing all grave sites and limited to just that. Placement and removal of floral and other memorial tributes are the responsibility of the family or the funeral home handling the interment. The funeral home requesting the grave to be opened will be responsible for the cost of opening & closing. This fee will be collected at the time the grave opening is requested. The town requires prior notice of at least 24 hours when requesting a grave opening.
4. The town requires that EACH grave have a marker with the name of the deceased. Footstones are to be at ground level.
5. Any permanent marker or monument will be placed at the EXPENSE of the deceased's family or others.
6. It shall be the responsibility of the family of the deceased to maintain or repair any broken, damaged, or fallen monuments unless such was caused by negligence of town employees. The family of the deceased is responsible for the removal of old, soiled, and/or dead floral arrangements from graves; however, the town reserves the right to remove old, soiled, and/or dead floral arrangements from graves if the family fails to do so after 10 days, the town will remove flowers.
7. The Town of Mount Olive prohibits the planting of any flowers or shrubs of any kind at the cemetery.
8. All graves shall be located and marked by TOWN PERSONNEL only.
9. Before any PERMANENT grave marker of any kind can be placed at the CEMETERY a PERMIT shall be obtained from the town at a cost of \$50.00. Grave markers (Headstones & Footstones) will be placed by APPOINTMENT ONLY and supervised by TOWN PERSONNEL only.
10. No grave shall be marked with a VAULT LID. Only footstones or headstones of some type can be used.
11. The Town of Mount Olive takes pride in the maintenance and care of our Cemeteries. This is a responsibility with no end; therefore, the town needs and respectfully requests the full cooperation of Funeral Homes and relatives of those interred in our cemeteries.
12. The price of a cemetery lot includes the grave site and care and maintenance of each grave site and the entire cemetery.

The price of cemetery lots may change from time to time, at the pleasure of the Town Board. Price changes are a result of actual cost of maintenance of the cemeteries, cost of new cemetery sites and any other cost related to the availability of grave sites and overall maintenance and care of the cemeteries.