

Richland Lutheran Cemetery

Cemetery Rules Effective January 1, 2015

- No planting of any trees or shrubs.
- Decorate on one side only of tombstone and not on the ends.
- Width of flower bed is to be no more than 18 inches from base of stone and extend no farther than the width of stone.
- Raised flower beds using timbers, bricks, mounds of dirt or mulch are not permitted. The dirt for flowers must be level with the existing grass.
- Flower bed edging must be installed level with the grass and be installed no wider than the width of the stone. Raised plastic fencing is not allowed.
- Flower urns and pots must follow the same rules for location and size as for flower beds. Shepherd hooks must be tight against gravestone.
- No statues, benches, toys, items attached to wire or plastic rods, trinkets or decorative lights are allowed. Tripod wire stands are only allowed for winter decorations. American flag holders are permitted all year.
- No wood chips, mulch, or landscape stone is permitted on graves or in the flowerbeds. This interferes with fall cleanup.
- No military stones, foot stones, metal or plastic fencing or other items are permitted between the rows of gravestones.
- The cemetery may remove any and all flowers, trees, shrubs, hedges or other plantings that have become unsightly or dangerous or that encroach on an adjoining grave or walkway.
- Grave blankets and wreaths are allowed November 15 through April 1 and must be removed April 1 or Palm Sunday, whichever comes first.
- Cemetery hours are from DAWN to DUSK. Anyone entering the cemetery after dark is TRESPASSING on PRIVATE PROPERTY and is subject to arrest and prosecution.
- This cemetery is owned by St. Peter Lutheran Church, Hemlock, MI. For questions or concerns, call the church at (989)642-8188.