

## Wheatland Township Cemetery Policy

May, 2026

This policy may be amended at any time.

# ALL BURIALS MUST BE APPROVED BY WHEATLAND TOWNSHIP!

### Burials

- Burials only in Wambold and Morgan West Wheatland cemeteries.
- 1 body with 2 cremains per lot or 4 cremains
- All full body burials must be vaulted

### Purchase of Burial Lots

- Cemetery Rates \$150.00 per 4' x 10' lot
- A lot holder may resell the lot back to Wheatland Township for the same amount of money at time of purchase (with proof of Certificate of Deed)

### Trees and Shrubs

- **The planting of trees, shrubs and hedges is not permitted and may be removed without notice.**
- All maintenance work is to be performed by Township employees or by authorized contractors.

### Urns and Receptacles

- Flowers, wreaths, etc. left on graves will be removed as soon as possible after they become unsightly. The cemetery is not responsible for urns, receptacles and baskets placed on lots, and all Christmas decorations must be removed by April 1st.
- Additional benches or seats will not be permitted for permanent placement.

### Stone and Monument Work

- **Owners of a lot MUST go through the Township for appropriate placement before erecting stones or monuments with appropriate foundations.**
- Foundations must have two inches of oversize clearance of the monument base.
- One monument per grave with the exception of Military markers placed at the foot of the grave flat to the ground (to allow mowing over the top of stone).
- Foundations for markers, memorials and urns shall be put in by the sexton at the cost appointed by the person performing the work.

### Transfer Procedure

The transfer of lots to another party is allowed, however it requires a letter from the current owner expressing such desire. It will be recorded at the township.

**Perpetual Care**

The term Perpetual Care shall mean the maintenance of the cemetery lot in reasonable condition. This includes cutting the grass at the proper intervals, raking, cleaning the grounds and general maintenance and repairs at the cemetery. The term "Perpetual Care" shall in no case be construed as meaning the maintenance, repair or replacement of any grave stone or memorials placed or erected upon lots, or the planting of flowers or ornamental plants.

**Cemetery Closure**

Cemetery Closure during winter months, frost laws will determine if burials happen.

**Wheatland Township Sexton: (Contracted thru Funeral Home)**

Brandon Steig (The Shop Cemetery Services)

23501 12 Mile Road

Reed City, MI 49677

231-735-5706

Opening & Closing of graves

Traditional: \$500.00

Weekends/Holidays: add \$125.00

**Wheatland Township Foundation Installation/Cremation Burials:**

John McKenzie

334 Church Street

Remus, MI 49340

(989) 621-9551

Cremation burials: \$150.00

Headstone foundations:

\$.30 per square inch

**Wambold Cemetery Memorial Wall Perpetual Care:**

Granite lettering: \$50.00

Plaque: \$100.00

**Order from:**

Patten Monument Company

P.O. Box 427

3980 West River Drive

Comstock Park, MI 49321

616-785-4141

**OR:**

2 X 7 aluminum plaque, designed for outdoor use: \$25.00

Attached to the memorial wall by Wheatland Township

**Order from:**

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Big Rapids, MI 49307  
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Wheatland Township  
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