

ANYTHING THAT IS LEFT BEHIND AFTER A BURIAL IS COMPLETED WILL BE PLACED ON OR NEAR THE GRAVESITE. DUE TO THEFT, VANDALISM, WEATHER, WATERING, UPKEEP AND LANDSCAPING, ITEMS THAT ARE LEFT BEHIND MAY NOT BE THERE OR MAY NOT BE IN THE SAME CONDITION AS WHEN THE SERVICE CONCLUDED. WE UNDERSTAND HOW UPSETTING THIS CAN BE FOR FAMILIES AND THAT IS WHY WE STRONGLY SUGGEST THAT YOU TAKE ANYTHING OF IMPORTANCE OR OF SENTIMENTAL VALUE WITH YOU AT THE CONCLUSION OF YOUR SERVICE.

## THANK YOU, VISALIA PUBLIC CEMETERY STAFF



# MARKER POLICY VISALIA PUBLIC CEMETERY 1300 W. GOSHEN AVE. VISALIA, CA. 93291 BOARD APPROVED 9/28/2022 Amended 9/28/2022

#### **DEFINITIONS:**

**Single Grave:** One plot in cemetery. Typically, would have one full body burial.

**Double Grave:** Two full body burials in the same grave with a stacked orientation.

**Cremation Grave:** Cremains buried. (Up to 4 cremains in one grave.)

Side by Side Grave: Two single graves owned by the same family, (Typically husband

and wife) which are side by side in the same tier.

**Monument Die:** The top portion of an upright monument which typically sits on a

base. (Not a part of the marker setting fee. Coordination of placement and fees are the responsibility of the family). Family should contact a reputable monument dealer for placement.

**Monument Base:** The bottom portion of the monument on which the die is normally

placed. (Setting of the base is included in your setting fee).

**Niche Plate:** Bronze, granite or marble remembrance for the cremains in a

mausoleum or columbarium. Cremation areas include; Visalia

Memorial Gardens, Eagles Niches and Southland Niches.

**Crypt Plate:** Bronze, granite or marble remembrance for full body burials in the

mausoleum located in the Visalia Memorial Gardens and Old

Mausoleum.

**Memorial:** Also known as monument, headstone, flush or flat marker, must be

made of high quality granite, marble or U.S. Standard bronze. Height of monument must be in proportion to the width except where grave marker is flush with ground or otherwise noted.

All memorials placed on the ground will be set in a concrete foundation. A minimum of one flower vase shall be required for each memorial placed in the cemetery. Only vases that can be stored when not in use flush with concrete borders or foundations will be accepted. Exception – monuments may have incorporated into their design an above ground granite, marble or bronze vase/vases, provided these are mounted and permanently affixed to the monument base or are incorporated into the monument die.

**IMPORTANT**: Owner of gravesite is responsible for Marker Policy compliance. Memorial marker or monument will not be allowed to be placed in the Visalia District Cemetery if it does not meet compliance. Please ask cemetery management if you are unsure as to the requirements before you order.

#### FLUSH HEADSTONE REQUIREMENTS WHEN NOT OTHERWISE SPECIFIED

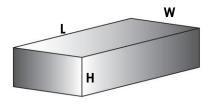
DESCRIPTION	MIN. SIZE	MAX. SIZE	MIN. VASES	MAX. VASES
Infant Marker	18" x 10" x 3"	18" x 10" x 4"	1	2
Single Marker	24" x 12" x 3"	31" x 14" x 4"	1	2
Double Marker	24" x 12" x 3"	31" x 14" x 4"	1	2
Side by Side Marker	30" x 14" x 3"	72" x 16" x 4"	1	3

#### **UPRIGHT HEADSTONES (MONUMENTS)**

The person holding the burial rights to a grave may place a flush marker in the upright headstone areas with the exception of Silent Hearts.

Only the placement of the base is included in the marker setting fee. The placement of the Die (top piece of monument) must be placed by the company providing the stone (or a company licensed to provide this service). Companies setting the stone must provide the Visalia District Cemetery with proof of auto and liability insurance with at least a one million dollar policy for each, and policy must be on file with the cemetery naming Visalia District Cemetery as an additional insured before any work is performed.

DESCRIPTION (BASES)	MIN. SIZE	MAX. SIZE	MIN. VASES	MAX. VASES
Single Monument (Single Grave)	<b>L W H</b> 30" x 14" x 8"	L W H 31" x 14" x 8"	1	2
Double Monument (Single Stacked)	30" x 14" x 8"	31" x 14" x 8"	1	2
Side by Side Monument	30" x 14" x 8"	72" x 14" x 8"	1	3
Triple Grave	30" x 14" x 8"	120" x 14" x 8"	1	5



DESCRIPTION (DIES) Min. Size shall be 8" width and proportional to the base set by industry standards unless otherwise noted.



#### MEMORIAL BENCH REQUIREMENTS

Single grave in upright area can accommodate 1 bench.
Side by Side graves in upright areas can accommodate 1 bench.

DESCRIPTION	MIN. SIZE L W H	MAX. SIZE L W H	MIN. VASES	MAX. VASES
Single Grave Seat Legs	30" x 14" x 4" 4" x 12" x 14"	30" x 14" x 4" 4" x 14" x 14	1	2
Side by Side Grave Seat Legs	48" x 14" x 4" 4" x 12" x 14"	48" x 14" x 4" 4" x 14" x 14"	1	2

Headstones and monuments are the responsibility of the owner of the burial rights. The Cemetery District will not accept delivery of the "Die". The "Die" can only be set by a licensed headstone company or other reputable company with like in kind experience. All insurances must be in place with the cemetery before any work may proceed.

#### **TUESDAYS ANGELS INTERMENT AREA (INFANT GRAVE MARKER)**

DESCRIPTION	MIN. SIZE L W H	MAX. SIZE A	MIN. VASES	MAX. VASES
Infant Flush Marker	18" x 10" x 3"	18" x 10" x 4"	1	2
Infant Pillow Marker	18" x 10" x 6/4"	18" x 10" x 8/6"	1	2
Infant Slant Marker	18" x 10" x 16"	18" x 10" x 24"	1	2
Infant Grave Marker Base	18" x 10" x 6"	18" x 10" x 8"	1	2
Infant Grave Marker Die	14" x 4" x 14" Pinned	16" x 6" x 18" Pinr	ned	

## SILENT HEARTS EAST INTERMENT AREA (UPRIGHT ADULT GRAVE MARKERS FOR FAMILY PLOTS WITH GRANITE CURBING ONLY. FLAT GRAVE MARKERS ARE NOT ALLOWED)

Graves are sold in even numbers only, (minimum 2 side by side graves), and are referred to as family plots.

Side by side monuments in the family plot area can be placed over a minimum of 2 graves and can be up to the maximum of all graves in the plot. For example; a family plot of 4 graves could have 1 or 2 monuments; a family plot of 6 graves could have 1, 2 or 3 monuments. See sizes below.

DESCRIPTION (BASE)	MIN. SIZE	MAX. SIZE	MIN. VASES	MAX. VASES
	L W H	L W H		
Side x Side Monument	54" x 14" x 8"	78" x 16" x 10"	1	5

(Note: Ground vases to be placed on the ends of the bases in concrete and shall be 7GZ or equal in style and installation.) Max. Length x Width of Conc, Foundation 84" x 20".

DESCRIPTION (DIE) (Note: All dies 3' or greater in height must be pinned with 5/8" stainless steel dowels)

Side x Side Monument 36" x 8" x 24" 72" x 10" x 72" 1 3

(Note: A minimum of 1 vase can be incorporated into/on the die or base in the form of a core hole, granite, bronze or marble vase in lieu of ground vases.)

## SILENT HEARTS WEST INTERMENT AREA (UPRIGHT GRAVE MARKERS ONLY. FLAT GRAVE MARKERS ARE NOT ALLOWED). Graves can be sold in any number.

DESCRIPTION (BASE)	MIN. SIZE L W H	MAX. SIZE L W H	MIN. VASES	MAX. VASES
Single Monument (Single Grave)	30" x 14" x 8"	36" x 14" x 8"	1	2
Double Monument (Single Stacked)	30" x 14" x 8"	36" x 14" x 8"	1	2
Side by Side Monument	30" x 14" x 8"	72" x 14" x 8"	1	3
Triple Grave	30" x 14" x 8"	120" x 14" x 8"	1	5

(Note: Maximum of 2 Ground vases can be placed on the ends of the bases in concrete and shall be 7GZ or equal in style and installation or a minimum of 1 vase can be incorporated into/on the die or base in the form of a core hole, granite, bronze or marble vase in lieu of ground vases.) Max. Length x Width of Concrete Foundation 134" x 20".

#### SILENT HEARTRS (ASH GRAVES ONLY) Tiers 6 & 7 (Pillow marker only)

#### **DESCRIPTION (Pillow/Hickey Marker)**

	MIN. SIZE	MAX. SIZE	MIN. VASES	MAX. VASES
	L W H	L W H		
Pillow Markers (Single Grave)	24" x 12" x 6/4"	30" x 14" x 8/6"	1	2
	L W H	L W H		
Pillow Markers (Side x Side Grave)	30" x 12" x 6/4"	72" x 14" x 8/6"	1	2

#### SILENT HEARTS INTERMENT AREA (FLAT GRAVE MARKERS ONLY) Tiers 1-5, 8-11.

DESCRIPTION	MIN. SIZE	MAX. SIZE	MIN. VASES	MAX. VASES
Single Marker	24" x 12" x 3"	31" x 14" x 4"	1	2
Double Marker	24" x 12" x 3"	31" x 14" x 4"	1	2
Side by Side Marker	30" x 14" x 3"	72" x 16" x 4"	1	3

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

IF THE MARKER OR MONUMENT MEMORIAL NEEDS TO BE MOVED TO COMPLETE FUTURE BURIALS, THE COST TO MOVE AND RESET SAID MARKER OR MONUMENT MEMORIAL WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE FAMILY.

#### Flower and Memorial Policy

Original 8-17-1994, Updated 12-27-2017, Updated 7-28-2021

This policy is necessary to aid in the preservation of the aesthetic beauty of our cemetery and the need to reduce standing water to eliminate dangerous breeding mosquitoes. This policy also helps to ensure the safety of those that visit and those that maintain the grounds.

Clean up, mowing, edging, blowing, and landscaping are done on an ongoing and daily basis in coordination with the burial schedule.

Only the gravestone vases can be used and there are replacement vases available in the cemetery office. Donations are welcomed to offset the cost of the vases. There is an exception for gravestones that do not have vases; those families may place 1 non-breakable flat bottom vase on the gravestone.

Artificial or fresh flowers or decorations on a stick such as pin wheels or flags may be placed in the vases on the gravestones/markers. To aid in the prevention of mosquito breeding no water or floral foam can be used in vases. Vases must be filled with sand, kitty litter or super absorbent polyacrylamide or turned over. Sand is available for the public's use through-out the cemetery. Balloons are not allowed since they deflate and hold water and can also be a landscaping safety hazard.

Nothing should be placed on the gravestone/marker that may soak up or hold water. If items are left on the gravestone/marker, edging will only be done if it is safe to do so and blowing will not be done to ensure items are not knocked over or off the gravestone/marker.

Nothing can be placed in or on the ground around graves or gravestones/markers. There is an exception for the flags placed by the Avenue of Flags volunteers over the Memorial Day Weekend.

Flowers left on graves with no gravestone/marker may be moved to allow staff access to perform their burial, landscaping, and cleaning duties. Nothing is to be placed in the ground, vases are not to be used and the paper, foil or plastic wrap needs to be removed from the flowers.

Flowers and decorations may be removed by cemetery staff as they become unsightly. Anything that is left in the cemetery that does not comply with this policy and/or is deemed unsanitary, unsafe or if it causes a burial, landscaping or mowing safety hazard will be removed and may be disposed of by staff.

Anyone wishing to donate plants/trees/seed may do so, however all placement, planting and seeding will be done by cemetery staff.

The cemetery district staff understand and appreciate the role that personal items left on the gravestone/marker plays in the grieving and remembrance process for the family however, the cemetery district and its employees will not be responsible for lost, misplaced, damaged or stolen items. Anyone not authorized by the cemetery district that removes items from gravesites that are not their own will be reported to the Visalia Police Department and may be subject to prosecution per Penal Codes 484 & 594 and Health and Safety Code 8102 and any others that may apply.

#### Visalia Public Cemetery District 1300 W. Goshen Ave. Visalia, Ca. 93291 **Rules and Proper Conduct Policy**

Date: 10-27-2021

The Visalia Public Cemetery District requests that everyone visiting the cemetery be respectful, quiet, and reverent. Loud and abusive conduct is not permitted. Following are rules and etiquette expectations established by the District, to aid staff and security in maintaining peaceful surroundings for everyone.

- Use of athletic equipment for activities, skateboarding, ball or frisbee throwing or any type of sporting activity is not permitted.
- 2. General horseplay, climbing on gravestones, climbing of trees, climbing, or jumping on landscape rocks is not permitted.
- 3. Using barbeques or fire pits is not permitted.
- 4. Canopies or tables shall not be set up by families in the cemetery. The Pavilion, chapel and poppy garden areas are available for rent for your larger gatherings.
- 5. Pets are not allowed in the cemetery.
- 6. Alcohol consumption, drug use or being under the influence while on the premises is not permitted.
- 7. Loitering, sleeping, or sun-bathing is not permitted.
- 8. Boisterous demonstration and loud music are not allowed.
- 9. Irrigation and fountain water is not for human consumption, bathing or washing.
- Visitors to the cemetery are expected to cooperate with requests from District Staff, Mortuary Staff and Security Officers.

#### **VISALIA PUBLIC CEMETERY DISTRICT**

OTHER SERVICES PROVIDED-WHO TO CONTACT

#### **\* TULARE COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE CENTER**

CONTACT PERSON: "ELKE"

3350 W. MINERAL KING VISALIA, CA. 93291

PHONE: (559) 713-2880 FAX: (559) 713-3747

Families that are interested in a Veteran government headstone or plaque are encouraged to contact Elke at the local Veteran Service Office. The headstone or plaque will be delivered to the cemetery, and we will call you when it arrives to confirm accuracy. At least one flower vase is required and is <u>not provided by the Cemetery.</u>

#### ❖ VISALIA CEMETERY- VETERAN MEMORIAL WALL

1300 W. GOSHEN AVE. VISALIA, CA. 93291

PHONE: (559) 734-6181 FAX: (559) 734-9337

All branches of the service are invited to place the (First and Last only) names of the deceased Veteran on our wall. Applicants are available in the cemetery office. Engraving cost is \$125.00 per name. Checks are made payable to:

**V.P.C.D. - VETERANS MEMORIAL WALL.** 

#### **AVENUE OF FLAGS**

Families can donate or purchase a casket flag to be flown in our Annual Avenue of the Flags Memorial Day Event. Please note, that the donated flag(s) become the property of the Avenue of Flag who will store them.

Donation of your loved one's flag can be made at the Visalia Cemetery Office located at 1300 w. Goshen Ave. Visalia, ca. 93291. (559)734-6181

#### **\* TULARE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT**

1150 S. "K" STREET TULARE, CA. 93274

PHONE: (559) 685-5710

Burial permits are issued through this department.

#### **MORTUARIES**

#### **❖** MILLER MEMORIAL CHAPEL

1120 W. GOSHEN AVE. VISALIA, CA. 93291 PHONE: (559) 732-8371 FAX: (559) 732-0392

#### SALSER & DILLARD FUNERAL CHAPEL

127 E. CALDWELL AVE. VISALIA, CA. 93277 PHONE: (559) 635-1144 FAX: (559) 635-8262

#### HADLEY-MARCOM VISALIA

1700 W. CALDWELL AVE. VISALIA, CA. 93277 PHONE: (559) 625-8900 W

PHONE: (559) 625-8900 VISALIA OFFICE

PHONE: (559) 594-1063 FARMERSVILLE OFFICE

FAX: (559)625-3761

#### **\*** EVANS-MILLER, GUINN CHAPEL

425 N. KAWEAH AVE. EXETER, CA. 93221 PHONE: (559) 592-5161 FAX: (559) 592-2071

#### **❖ SMITH FAMILY CHAPEL**

505 E. PINE ST. EXETER, CA, 93221 PHONE: (559) 592-9119 FAX: (559) 592-9159

#### **❖** MILLER-TULARE

151 N. "H" STREET TULARE, CA. 93274 PHONE: (559)686-3316 FAX: (559) 686-0159

#### ❖ PEERS-LORENTZEN CHAPEL

132 W. KERN AVE. TULARE, CA. 93274 PHONE: (559) 686-4772 FAX: (559)686-8156

#### STERLING & SMITH FUNERAL HOME (TULARE OFFICE)

409 N. "K" STREET TULARE, CA. 93274 PHONE: (559)684-9304 FAX: (559)684-9333

#### **❖** STERLING AND SMITH (DINUBA OFFICE)

139 W. MARIPOSA ST. DINUBA, CA. 93618 PHONE: (559) 595-7940 FAX: (559) 595-7920

#### WEBB-SANDERS

163 S. MIRAGE AVE. LINDSAY, CA. 93247 PHONE: (559) 562-3084 FAX: (559) 562-3116

#### **❖** PEOPLE'S FUNERAL CHAPEL

501 N. DOUTY ST. HANFORD, CA. 93230 PHONE: (559) 584-5591

#### ❖ DOPKINS FUNERAL CHAPEL

189 S. "J" STREET DINUBA, CA. 93618 PHONE: (559) 591-1919 FAX: (559) 591-8634

**REEDLEY PHONE: (559) 638-7000** 

#### ❖ MEYERS FUNERAL SERVICE & CREMATORY

248 N. E. STREET PORTERILLE, CA. 93257 PHONE: (559) 784-5454

#### **MONUMENT SHOPS**

#### **❖ VISALIA GRANITE & MARBLE WORKS, INC.**

1304 W. GOSHEN AVE VISALIA, CA. 93291 PHONE: (559)734-1144 FAX: (559)734-8910

#### **❖ DAVILA MEMORIAL & GRANITE WORKS**

41132 RD. 128 OROSI, CA. 93647 PHONE: (559)528-9855

#### **❖** RICO'S MEMORIAL STONES

4110 N. BRAWLEY AVE. FRESNO, CA. 93722 PHONE: (559)251-1277

#### ❖ BARNES MEMORIAL

1146 N. "J" STREET TULARE, CA. 93274 PHONE: (559)686-6357

#### **❖ TULARE TOMBSTONE**

556 E. KERN AVE. TULARE, CA. 93274 PHONE: (559)686-8002

#### **❖** BELL MEMORIAL & GRANITE WORKS

339 N. MINNEWAWA AVE. CLOVIS, CA. 93612 PHONE: (559)299-7055

#### **LOCAL FLORIST**

#### **❖** CHRISTINE'S FLOWERS

10815 AVE. 264 VISALIA, CA. 93274 PHONE: (559)688-7850

#### **CREATIVE FLOWERS**

124 N. WILLIS ST. VISALIA, CA. 93291 PHONE: (559)627-0370

#### **❖ PETER PERKINS FLOWERS**

1420 W. CENTER VISALIA, CA. 93291 PHONE: (559)734-6788

#### **❖** SEQUOIA PLAZA FLOWERS

601 N. WILLIS VISALIA, CA. 93291 PHONE: (559)734-1455

#### **SWEET MEMORIES**

2244 E. MINERAL KING AVE. VISALIA, CA. 93292 PHONE: (559)625-5242 WWW.SMFLOWERS.ORG

#### **❖** TOUCH OF ROSES

2929 S. MOONEY BLVD. VISALIA, CA. 93277 PHONE: (559)734-7673

#### VISALIA PUBLIC CEMETERY DISTRICT

1300 w Goshen ave. Visalia, ca. 93291 Phone: (559)734-6181 Fax: (559)734-9337

#### RIGHTS TO SUCCESSION OF OWNERSHIP

As Referenced in Health and Safety Code 9069.20 and Probate Code 6400 to 6413

Decedent or Owner on Record

Decedent's Agent under POA for Health Care

Decedent's Spouse or Registered Domestic Partner

Decedent's Child/Children

Decedent's Parent/Parents

Decedent's Sibling/Siblings

Decedent's Grandparent/Grandparents

Decedent's Uncle's or Aunt's

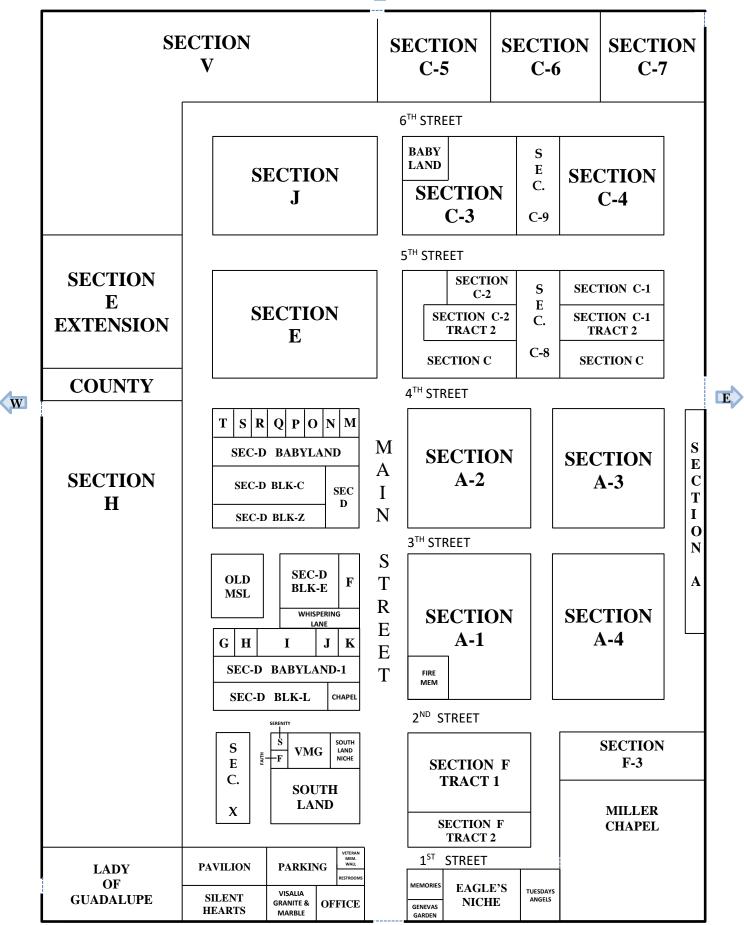
Predeceased Spouse Children-(decedent's step children)

All other surviving next of kin in the order of claim through nearest ancestor

Predeceased Spouse Parents

Surviving issue of Parents of Predeceased Spouse-(brother's & sister's in laws)





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