

Cemetery Visitor Safety Tips

- ✓ **Sinking Hazards** – Rain can create muddy conditions around gravesites that will not support a person's weight. Avoid puddled areas or ground depressions to prevent injury from sinking.
- ✓ **Exercise Caution** – Uneven ground and settling soil around gravesites can create walking hazards throughout the cemetery.
- ✓ **Concealed Hazards** – Snow or grass clippings can conceal walking hazards such as: raised markers, uneven surfaces, ground depressions, and decorations.
- ✓ **Slippery Surfaces** – This cemetery contains polished granite and bronze markers that are flush with the ground. Granite and bronze surfaces are slippery when exposed to rain, frost, snow, and grass clippings.
- ✓ **Roadside Visitation** – To avoid potential injury when ground is snow covered, visits are limited to roadside only.
- ✓ **Walk the Range or Row** – Avoid walking between the headstones and markers. Walk the center of the range or row to prevent injury.
- ✓ **Avoid Damages** – Avoid u turns on the cemetery roadways. Cemeteries have narrow driveways unlike public streets, u turns can lead to damage to your vehicle, a tree, a sign, a trash pail, or water faucet located alongside the driveways.
- ✓ **Secure Vehicle and items** – Cemetery grounds are open to the public each day for visitation, during moments of prayer at the gravesite there's less attention to our surroundings. Even in grief, we can help prevent theft by securing our vehicle and personal belongings when out in public.
- ✓ **Turn off Faucets** – Saving water resources is commendable. Helping to prevent WEST NILE or the ZIKA virus from breeding mosquitos is helping us all. Please assist with turning off water faucets.
- ✓ **Have all four tires on the pavement** – Cemetery curbs and lawn surfaces can get damaged from improperly parked vehicles. Tires can be damaged as well from mounting or rubbing alongside curb surfaces. A well parked car arrives and leaves safely! Help protect the cemetery lawns and curbs from damage. Thank you.
- ✓ **Before Decorating** – Review the cemetery rules and regulations for planting, decorating, visiting, as well as understand the cemetery expectations.