

Cemetery Map



Name: _____

Location: _____

*Cemetery grounds open daily, from 7:00 a.m. to Sunset
 Administration Available 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. M-F
 Administration Office closed on State Holidays*

*Memorial Day and Veterans Day Services are conducted at
 Iowa Veterans Cemetery at 8:00 a.m. All are welcome to attend.
 Wreaths across America "Remember, Honor, Teach" conducted on
 the 2nd or 3rd Saturday of December at 11:00 a.m. but subject to
 change. For current dates, check:
<https://va.iowa.gov> or wreathsacrossamerica.org*

Iowa Veterans Cemetery

Honoring Those Who Served...
34024 Veterans Memorial Drive
Adel, Iowa 50003

Regulations

In order to assist the cemetery staff in maintaining the appearance and dignity of the grounds, we ask that visitors observe the following regulations:

Fresh Flowers

Fresh flowers may be placed on graves at any time. Floral tributes will be removed when they become withered, faded, or unsightly.

Artificial Flowers

Artificial flowers may be placed on graves from October 1st through March 31st. Artificial flowers also are permitted the week before and the week of Memorial Day.

Vases

We suggest displaying flowers in plastic vases with stakes provided by the cemetery. Vases are available in bins located throughout the grounds. Glass or other breakable vases are not allowed on the grounds.

Flags

Small flags no larger than 12" x 18" may be placed at the site of interment. Medallion-type flag holders are not permitted.

Headstones and Niche Covers

Tributes of any kind may not be secured to headstones or niche covers.

Unauthorized Decorations

Statues, vigil lights, breakable objects, and items considered to be inconsistent with the dignity of the cemetery will be removed immediately. (This includes grave blankets, shepherd hooks, stuffed animals, balloons, pinwheels, etc.)

Plantings

Plantings are not permitted on the graves or at the columbarium wall.

Grounds Open: 7:00am-Sunset
Administration Office Open: 8:00am-4:30pm

General Information

Committal Service Shelter

The Committal Service Shelter provides a permanent structure in which to conduct the equivalent of a graveside service (instead of a tent more typically used at private cemeteries). Services at the gravesite are not allowed because of safety considerations (open gravesites, heavy equipment in use, etc.).

Visiting a Gravesite

Those wishing to visit a gravesite other than the columbarium wall following the committal service, may return to the gravesite after the staff declares the site safe for visiting which is typically two hours following the ceremony for caskets; 15 minutes for urns.

Temporary Marker

A temporary grave marker is used to mark the grave following the interment until the permanent marker is received and placed.

Permanent Marker

Approximately 60 days following interment, a permanent marker will be installed—weather permitting—and the family will be informed when the marker is in place.

Gravesite Appearance

Immediately following each in-ground interment, the grave is filled and leveled. Until growing conditions are favorable and turf has been established burial areas may be substandard in appearance.

Prohibited Activities

Prohibited activities include any form of sport or recreation (e.g. jogging, bicycling, skating, picnicking), public gatherings of a partisan nature, damaging plantings, allowing pets to run loose, littering, or operating vehicles off of paved road surfaces. Smoking is not allowed on cemetery property.

Grave Locator

An electronic grave locator is available to assist interested parties in locating a gravesite. It can be found in the vestibule of the Administration Building and is available 7 days a week. Information is updated within two weeks of interment.

Flag Donations

The cemetery accepts donated burial flags and uses them as part of the "Avenue of Flags," a display set up on special holidays and events.

Cemetery Donations

Private donations for memorials and beautification projects are gladly accepted. A donor slot is located in the Administration Building vestibule. Donations are tax deductible and go toward memorial and beautification projects.

Wreath Donations

Donations to Wreaths Across America are possible through checks made out to Wreaths Across America and sent directly to the cemetery. This helps ensure that all have a wreath as they are paid for through personal and corporate donations.