

# SIDE LAKE COMMUNITY COLUMBARIUM GUIDELINES

For questions regarding these guidelines, contact:

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## PURCHASE OF RIGHT TO USE COLUMBARIUM NICHES

- **Legal title to all Niches shall remain with the Town of French.** No property rights are created by or transferred as a result of this Agreement. Acceptance of payment by the Township results only in the Right to Use a Niche. The Township shall, at all times, have full rights of management and control with respect to all matters relating to the Columbarium.
- **This granted Right to Use cannot be re-sold by the Grantee(s).** Right to Use may be conveyed to a family member or other person for a \$50.00 recording fee or reverted back to the Township in writing by the Grantee. The Township will then reimburse the Grantee a total sum of \$200.00. The Grantee will be responsible for the cost of a replacement faceplate if the existing plate was previously engraved.
- **Niches are to be used strictly for the interment of cremated human remains.** The cremains of two persons or two persons and one infant below the age of one shall be permitted per Niche. Cremains shall be inurned in durable, adequately-sealed quality containers.
- **No attachments or personal items of any sort shall be allowed upon the Columbarium itself or its Niche faceplate.** The Township reserves the right to remove any such items. Only specific approved honorary emblems of service are allowed and will be supplied by the Township upon request.
- **All personal items placed within the Niche shall be subject to the approval of the Registrar.** These items shall be considered non-retrievable.

## CARE OF COLUMBARIUM

The Township shall be responsible for the ordinary care of the Columbarium and the upkeep of the Columbarium grounds under their management. The Township will undertake reasonable precautions to protect the Columbarium from loss or damage, but does not assume responsibility for causes beyond its control including, but not limited to, acts of God, vandalism, accidents, or theft.

## INTERMENTS

Arrangements for Interment Services shall be made by contacting the Registrar, who will coordinate details with the Township. The Registrar will work with parties representing the deceased to ensure that all Guidelines are followed and all forms properly completed.

## FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

- **Only live flowers and small flags shall be permitted in pots and planters approved by the Township.** Approximate sizes allowed: Round/Square 15W x 13H or Rectangle 24W x 16H.
- **No concrete, glass, or Styrofoam shall be permitted.**
- **No planters can be permanent.**  
All flower arrangements and planters are to be removed by September 15. The Township is not responsible for any arrangements left at the Columbarium site and reserves the right to remove any expired or unsightly arrangements at any time.

*In lieu of flowers/arrangements, a donation can be made at any time to the Town of French, designated to the Side Lake Beautification Committee, to maintain the existing gardens.*

*All questions regarding these Guidelines or any special circumstances shall be directed to the Registrar.*