



City of Big Spring  
310 Nolan Street  
Big Spring, TX 79720

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## Mount Olive Memorial Cemetery

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Policy, Rules, and Schedule  
for the  
Placement of Flowers, Wreaths, and Potted Plants, Etc.

It is the intent of this policy to define the floral policy of Mount Olive Memorial Cemetery concerning floral arrangements, flowers (both fresh and artificial), wreaths, and potted plants placed on burial spaces. This policy pertains to after-interment and special occasion floral arrangements and will apply only to those areas designated as permanent care.

### **RULES**

1. Floral arrangements will be allowed at the head of the burial space only. Floral arrangements may be placed in flower vases on the base of the head stone.
2. No digging of any kind or burial of vases or any glass items. No use of personal machinery such as mowers, weed eaters, or tillers.
3. No placement of glass jars, tin cans, rocks, metal rods, or statues. No lit candles unattended.
4. No concrete slabs or curbing.
5. No setting of benches of any kind on or around plots.
6. No planting of permanent plants, trees, or bushes of any kind without prior City personnel approval.
7. No alcoholic beverages allowed in cemetery.

### **POLICY**

1. Fresh and artificial flowers are to be removed by the cemetery staff whenever the flowers or arrangement become wilted or unsightly.
2. If flowers, wreaths, or potted plants interfere with the maintenance of the burial space, they will be removed and discarded in its entirety by the cemetery staff in the appropriate waste containers or carried out to the landfill.
3. Floral arrangements placed on burial spaces after an interment will be removed by cemetery staff seven (7) calendar days after interment during summer season. During winter months when floral arrangements last longer it will be fourteen (14) calendar days or whenever flowers become unsightly. The disposal of these items will occur at that time in its entirety into the appropriate waste containers or carried out to the landfill. If the family wishes to retain any floral arrangements they should contact the Mount Olive Memorial Cemetery staff before that time.
4. Special Occasion floral arrangements for Easter, Valentine's Day, Mother's Day, Father's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Veteran's Day, All Saints Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas will also be removed thirty (30) calendar days after the Holiday and disposed of in its entirety in the appropriate waste containers or carried out to the landfill. If the family wishes to retain any floral arrangements they should contact the Mount Olive Memorial Cemetery staff or pick them up before that time.