

# TOWN OF WESTFIELD CEMETERY POLICY

Westfield Cemetery, 160 Cemetery Road, Westfield, VT 05874  
North Hill Road Cemetery, 1202 North Hill Road, Westfield, VT 05874

**EFFECTIVE DATE: August 18, 2025**

Under the authority granted in 24 V.S.A., Chapter 33, Section 872, the Town of Westfield Select Board hereby adopts the following policy regarding the Cemeteries.

The price of the burial lot does not include corner stones. Upon the receipt of payment for a burial lot and corner stones at the Westfield or North Hill Road Cemeteries the town will have four (4) corner stones installed, designating the boundaries of the lot. Perpetual care is included in the cost of the burial lot.

The term "perpetual care", used in reference to plots, shall be held to mean the cutting of the grass upon said plots at reasonable intervals, the raking and cleaning of the plots; meaning and intending the general preservation of the plots, and the grounds, walks, roadways, boundaries and structures, to the end that said grounds shall remain and be reasonably cared for as Cemetery grounds forever.

The installation of a headstone or monument is to be no larger than one-half (1/2) the width of the lot, unless given approval by the Cemetery Sexton. The concrete foundation shall be installed to a minimum depth of four (4) feet, with a one and one half (1 ½) inch margin larger than the base of the monument on all sides. The installation of headstones, monument benches and pouring of footers is to be done under the supervision of the Cemetery Sexton.

Grave markers may be placed at the foot of each grave and must be flush to the ground. All openings of graves and interments, including cremains, will be made by the Cemetery Sexton.

The Cemetery Sexton charges a fee for burial of cremains and caskets.

The transfer of ownership of a lot to another party must be requested in writing to the Selectboard and recorded in the Town of Westfield Land Records. Contact the Town Clerk for more information.

The planting of trees or ornamental shrubs in the cemetery is prohibited.

Decorations or plants not cared for or that become unsightly, as deemed by the caretaker, will be removed.

No structures of any kind other than gravestones and monument benches are permitted.

This Policy shall be entered into the minutes of the Town records, shall be posted in at least three conspicuous places in Town and shall be recorded in the Westfield Land Records.

Signed

Board of Selectmen

Town of Westfield

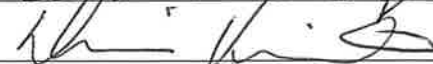
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