

SUTTON CEMETERY FEES

Prices effective as of January 9, 2017

<u>BURIAL SPACE COST</u>	<u>APPROVED FEE</u>
All spaces	\$200
 <u>Opening and Closing</u>	
Regular Weekday	\$460
Regular Weekend (Saturday)	\$610
Regular Weekend (Sunday & Holiday)	\$740
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Cremaains Weekend & Holiday (Saturday, Sunday & Holiday)	\$195

**ALL FUNERALS MUST
DEPART THE CEMETERY
NO LATER THAN 3:30 PM**

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR OPERATION OF SUTTON CEMETERY

1. The Municipality owned Cemetery located on the North Edge of town shall be known as Sutton Cemetery.
2. All persons are welcome to visit the Cemetery during daylight hours. Visitors are expected to be orderly and respectful of others at all times. Visitors in cemetery should follow proper etiquette walking next to, between and around graves to be respectful of families and other visitors. There are no alcoholic beverages (either opened, unopened or consumed) permitted on the cemetery grounds.
3. Visitors may receive information and assistance from the City Clerk's Office located at 107 W. Grove St. or by calling City Hall at (402) 773-4225 during regular office hours of 8:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. Monday - Friday. After hours you may call (402) 773-4225 also and the employee on call will answer any questions you may have.
4. All monument companies must report to City Hall BEFORE placing a stone on a grave. All stones MUST be set at the head. NO foot stones allowed. We realize that most will call the office ahead of time, but it would help if you also stop by and let us know you are there so we may check things over before you leave. We have had stones put in the wrong place even though they were marked. If you do not report to City Hall first, you will be responsible for correcting a stone that was set wrong.

All graves shall be marked within 120 days of burial with a permanent marker (if this is not enough time, please contact City Hall). Monument companies are responsible for removing all monuments, pieces of cement or excess cement from the cemetery. They will also be responsible for moving dirt and grass to the dirt pile in the cemetery.

5. All permanent vases **must** be at the **side** of a marker. They will not be permitted to be set in front of marker or back of marker. If they are set in front of or back of market, you will be asked to remove them at your expense.
6. All markers for an organization (such as Veteran or Fire Fighter) must be put in concrete in alignment with the stone to allow for better maintenance and to keep them from getting taken out and not placed in the correct spot. The foundation of the headstone should be kept clear of any 'non-permanent' decoration. Non-permanent decorations are allowed during the same time as flowers: during a funeral, burial, Memorial Day and the Christmas season. Two weeks after Memorial Day and Christmas these decorations need to be removed as do flowers not in a permanent vase. Non-permanent decorations are not allowed throughout the year, which effectively start acting a permanent decoration. If a non-permanent structure is used during a burial, prior to a headstone being placed, it may be allowed for up to 120 days, following rule #4. Any flowers and 'non-permanent' decorations WILL be removed two weeks after allowed holidays (Memorial Day & Christmas) by the city staff for cemetery maintenance reasons. As soon as flowers, wreaths, emblems or other items used at

funerals or placed on graves become unsightly or faded, they will be removed and no responsibility for their protection or maintenance is assumed by the City. The determination of an item becoming 'unsightly' will be decided by the cemetery supervisor and/or cemetery board. Items placed on graves or at their side need to be appropriate and respectful for all interested parties visiting the cemetery. The City reserves the right to remove any and all 'unsightly' or 'inappropriate' objects from cemetery lots. There will be no planting allowed on or around graves.

The following examples of items that are 'unsightly' and/or 'inappropriate' decorations include, but are not limited to:

- Glass jars or bottles (empty, filled or used for decoration)
- Tin or Aluminum cans (empty, filled or used for decoration)
- Banners or banner hangers
- Flowers (faded, torn, tattered, broken)
- Plant decorations WITH REAL GRAIN attached (as these encourage rodents and digging)
- Metal art (staked, non-staked, painted or non-painted)
- Wind Decorations (chimes, bells, spinners, etc.)
- Produce (seasonally decorated or natural)
- Bucket containers (plastic or metal)
- Sports equipment, clothing or flags
- Decorative letters (i.e. spelling out nicknames)

The following examples of items that are 'non-permanent' decorations include, but are not limited to:

- Decorative rocks (with sayings)
- Figurines
- Plaques (with writing or pictures, with or without stands)
- Shepherd Hooks (plus any item hanging from them)
- Solar lights

7. No mausoleum shall be permitted in the Sutton Cemetery except the City of Sutton may construct a mausoleum to meet the needs of the community. **NO SURFACE VAULTS ALLOWED** unless it is beside one that is already there, and then there must be cement between them.

8. All stones will have an 8" concrete wash on all sides. Spaces of 24" or less between stones or monuments shall be filled with concrete on new or reset work.

9. During a burial service, all work in the immediate vicinity by Cemetery employees and others shall be discontinued. No work on any grave, following the funeral shall be commenced while mourners are in the cemetery.

10. Prices of lots are as follows:

The price of lots shall be \$200 per space.

There shall be no graves dug in Potter's Field (9S) or best known as the unknown soldier graves. There are **no** markers in this area.

In the event of a grave being sold back to the City of Sutton, remuneration shall be the purchase price paid at the time of grave purchase.

11. Interments shall be restricted to lot owners or members of the lot owner's family, unless such lot owner shall give permission in writing for burial of a person not a member of the said lot owner's immediate family.

12. ABANDONMENT OF LOTS:

The ownership or right in or to an unoccupied Cemetery lot, part of lot, lots or parts of lots, in the Cemetery shall, upon abandonment revert to the City. The determination of abandonment and procedures associated therewith shall be as provided by §12-701 and §12-702, R.R.S.

13. Cremains

A total of two (2) cremains will be allowed in one plot (space).

14. Grave Openings/Closing

All charges for opening and closing graves, sale of lots and services at the cemetery will be regulated by the City of Sutton.

Fill sand will be used to close the graves up to within 8 inches and then compacted with dirt on top to allow for vegetative growth. Total closure will be concluded within 7 – 10 days maximum with weather permitting.

15. Time Limitation

All Funerals must be complete and all family, friends, guests, and other attendees departed from the cemetery **no later than 3:30 p.m.** to allow the cemetery staff necessary time to close the grave site and conduct cemetery clean up before cemetery closing time.

16. AMENDMENTS:

The Cemetery Board with the approval of the City Council, may, and hereby expressly reserves the right, at any time or times, to adopt new rules and regulations, or to amend, alter and/or repeal any rule, regulation, and/or section in these rules and regulations.

A WORD OF CAUTION....two problems beyond our control are strong winds and the theft of flowers from the vases. Sometimes flowers are missing do to these reasons. The City will prosecute anyone found guilty of stealing decorations or destroying property.

THE SUTTON CEMETERY BOARD TAKES PRIDE IN THEIR CEMETERY, PLEASE HELP US KEEP IT BEAUTIFUL FOR ALL TO ENJOY AND VISIT THEIR LOVED ONES.

The above rules and regulations were adopted by the Sutton Cemetery Board on this 5th day of January, 2017.

Stan Perrien, President of Cemetery Board

The above rules and regulations were adopted by the Sutton City Council on this 9th day of January, 2017

Todd Mau, Mayor