

# CEMETERY RULES & REGULATIONS

Rules and Regula ons concerning the Walden, Jackson County and Rand Cemeteries

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

These rules and regula ons are adopted as the RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATIONS OF JACKSON COUNTY CEMETERIES and are for the mutual protec on of all burial space owners and Jackson County.

All burial space owners, visitors, cemetery employees, persons working directly or indirectly for burial space owners and all lot(s) or burial space(s) sold shall be subject to the Rules and Regula ons, and subject further, to such other rules and regula ons, amendments or altera ons as shall be adopted by Jackson County from me to me. The reference to these Rules and Regula ons in the sales transac on form or any other document shall have the same force and effect as if set forth in full therein. Any interment, dis-interment, monument placements, or any other maintenance work to be done in the Jackson County Cemeteries require the permission and no fica on of the Jackson County Maintenance Supervisor prior to work beginning.

Requests or complaints should be directed to: Jackson County Board of County Commissioners PO BOX 337, 396 LaFever Street, Walden, CO 80480

#### 2. DEFINITIONS

- a. BURIAL RECEPTACLE/VAULT Container designed to enclose a casket for burial purposes.
- b. BURIAL SPACE A single space within a pla ed lot designed for the interment for one human body.
  - a. CEMETERY A burial park for earth burial owned by Jackson County, including;

- i. all land dedicated, reserved, or used for interment purposes
- ii. all vegeta on
- iii. all graves or other interment spaces
- iv. all works of art
- v. all roads and other structures of every kind
- vi. all equipment and facili es incident to the opera on of the cemeteries
- c. CREMAINS Cremated remains of a human body.
- d. DISINTERMENT The removal of the buried remains of a deceased person, the casket, if any, and the burial receptacle from the ground.
- e. INTERMENT The permanent disposi on of the remains of a deceased person by earth burial.
- f. LOT A plo ed lot within a cemetery consis ng of two burial spaces,
  - a. measuring 8'x12' in the Jackson County Cemetery, measuring 8'x8' in the Walden Cemetery, and measuring 10'x10' in the Rand Cemetery.
- g. MEMORIAL A marker or headstone for family or individual use.
- h. MONUMENT Same as memorial.
- i. PERPETUAL CARE The general maintenance of lots and burial spaces including but not limited to cu ng and watering the grass upon the same at reasonable intervals, cleaning the same, filling in sunken burial space(s). Such care is of course subject to weather condi ons and other factors beyond the control of the County. The term "Perpetual Care" shall in no way be construed as meaning the maintenance, repair or replacement of any monument placed on lot(s) or burial space(s); nor the maintenance or performing of any special or unusual work; nor the repair or reconstruct on of any marble, granite, bronze or concrete work on any sec on(s), lot(s) or any por on or por ons thereof damaged by the elements, an act of God, common enemy, thieves, vandals, malicious mischief makers, explosions, unavoidable accidents, insurrec ons, riots, or by the order of any military or civil authority, invasions or causes beyond the reasonable control of the County, whether the damage be direct or collateral.

# 3. OWNERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT

- i. OWNED BY THE COUNTY
  - i. Walden, Jackson County and Rand Cemeteries are owned and managed by the County of Jackson.

#### ii. CONTROL BY COUNTY

i. The Jackson County Board of Commissioners has the right of general control of the cemeteries in all ma ers, whether or not they are specifically covered by these Rules and Regula ons.

#### iii. MANAGEMENT

i. The opera on of the cemeteries shall be under the direc on of the Jackson County Clerk and Recorder and the Jackson County Maintenance Supervisor, who in turn, shall be responsible to the Commissioners for complete supervision of the cemeteries in all ma ers.

#### iv. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS TO ENFORCE RULES

- i. The Jackson County Board of Commissioners will enforce these Rules and Regula ons. If any funeral director or other individual involved in the funeral or cemetery business is found to have violated these Rules and Regula ons, such individual may be excluded from the cemeteries. The individual will be no fied by cer fied mail and have thirty (30) days to present his/her case to the Board of County Commissioners.
- v. ADMISSION TO CEMETERIES
  - i. The County reserves the right to refuse admission to the cemeteries and to refuse the use of any of the cemetery facili es to any person(s) whom may be deemed objec onable to the interest of the cemeteries.
- vi. All fees, payment or charges for any cemetery property or service shall be paid at the Jackson County Courthouse, Clerk & Recorder's office. All applicants for purchase, transfer, assignment or repurchase of cemetery lots, interment, disinterment orders, founda on and monument loca ons or special permits of any kind shall be made at the Jackson County Courthouse.

# vii. COUNTY NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGE

i. The County shall take reasonable precau ons to protect lot owners and lot(s) from loss or damage, however, the County disclaims any responsibility for loss or damage from causes beyond its reasonable control, including but not limited to damage caused by the elements, an act of God, common enemy, thieves, vandals, malicious mischief makers, explosions, , unavoidable accidents, invasions insurrec ons, riots, or order of any military or civil authority, whether the damage is direct or collateral.

# viii. LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE

i. Any person damaging, or causing to be damaged, any cemetery property, whether owned by the County or an individual, will be held liable to repair said damaged property or to replace the property damaged to its former state, without delay, and in a manner sa sfactory to the Board of County Commissioners.

# ix. COUNTY SHALL NOT DESCRIMINATE

i. All decisions made by the County and its employees in connec on with the opera on of the cemeteries shall be made without regard to race, creed, color, na onal origin, sex, marital status, religion, ancestry, mental or physical handicap or age.

# 4. CONTROL OF WORK BY COUNTY

- i. WORK TO BE DONE BY COUNTY
  - Except as otherwise provided herein, improvements of any kind, of lot(s), shall be done, and all opening or closing of graves and all interments, disinterment's or removals shall be made by the County, who may contract with outside vendors to do such work.

# ii. COUNTY MUST DIRECT AND MAY REMOVE IMPROVEMENTS

i. All improvements or altera ons of property in the cemeteries shall be under the direc on of and subject to the consent, sa sfac on, and approval of the Board of County Commissioners, and should such changes be made without consent or, in the event that at any me, in its judgement, they become unsightly to the eye, the Board shall have the right to remove, alter, or change such improvements or altera ons at the expense of the lot or burial space owner.

# 5. ROADWAYS AND REPLATTING

- i. I. RIGHT TO REPLAT, REGRADE AND USE PROPERTY
- ii. The right to enlarge, reduce, replat and/or change the boundaries of the cemeteries is hereby expressly reserved. The right to maintain and operate is also expressly reserved; as well as in the right to use cemetery property, not sold to lot or burial space owners, for cemetery purposes, including

the interning and preparing for interment of human bodies, or for anything necessary, incidental or convenient thereto. The County reserves for itself, and to those lawfully en tled thereto a perpetual right to ingress and egress over lots for the purpose of passage to and from other lots.

- iii. II. NO RIGHT GRANTED IN ROADWAYS
- iv. No easement or right of interment is granted to any lot or burial space owner in
- v. any road, drive or walk within the cemeteries, but such roads, drives or walks may be used as a means of access to or within the cemetery.
- vi. 111. RIGHT TO CLOSE ROADWAYS
- vii. The Board of Commissioners shall have the right at any me, to close any road, drive or walk.

#### 6.SERVICE CHARGES

- i. PAYMENT OF CHARGES
  - The amount or rates of all charges shall be established by the Board of County Commissioners. All charges for any service rendered must be paid for at or prior to the me such services are rendered. The payment of the cemetery service charges relang to interment must be made at the me or interment.

# 7. PURCHASE OF THE RIGHT OF INTERMENT: ABANDONMENT

- i. APPLICATIONS FOR PURCHASE
  - Applica ons for the purchase of the right of interment in lots or burial spaces must be made at the Jackson County Courthouse, County Clerk & Recorder's office, where plats showing the size and loca on of all lots and the schedule of prices will be kept on file.
- ii. AGREEMENT CONVEYS ONLY THE RIGHT OF INTERMENT
  - All sales agreements shall grant to the purchaser the right to use such lots for interment of human remains only, subject to these Rules & Regula ons. The fee tle to all lots and burial spaces shall remain in the County, subject to the right of interment conveyed to the purchaser.

#### iii. ERRORS MAY BE CORRECTED

i. The County reserves the right to correct any errors made by it in the descrip on of the loca on of the lot or burial space to which the right of interment is conveyed, either by cancelling the sale and subs tu ng in lieu thereof other burial spaces(s) or lot(s) of equal value and in a similar loca on as far as possible, or, in sole discre on of the County refunding the amount of money paid on account of said purchase.

# iv. PAUPER'S SECTION

i. The County Sec on is Sec on, Block C & D, Lots 16-24 of the Jackson County Cemetery. These burial spaces are available on an as needed basis at the discre on of the Jackson County Commissioners.

#### v. PAYMENT

vi. Any available lot(s) or burial space(s) may be reserved by pre-payment in full.

# vii. ABANDONED BURIAL SPACES

- viii. REVERSION: The right of interment in any unoccupied burial space shall, upon abandonment, revert to the County.
- ix. PRESUMPTION: Failure to inter in any burial space a er sixty (60) years from the date of purchase shall create a presump on that the same has been abandoned; except that this presump on shall not apply when a le er of intent is filed by the owner or the owner's heirs or assigns stang that the owner intends to keep specified burial spaces vacant.
- x. NOTICE REQUIRED: Abandonment shall not be deemed complete unless the owner or his or her heirs or assigns shall be no fied of the abandonment in wri ng, mailed to the owner's last known address by the Clerk & Recorder's office. In the event that the address of the owner of his or her heirs cannot be ascertained, then no ce of such abandonment shall be given by publishing the same in a local newspaper once a week for two (2) weeks.
- xi. FAILURE TO REPLY: If the owner of his or her heirs or assigns fails to inform the County Clerk of an inten on to retain the burial space(s) with sixty (60) days a er the date the No ce of Abandonment was mailed or a er final publica on of such no ce, therea er sell, transfer, and covey the right to interment therein. The funds derived from any sale of an abandoned space shall be deposited in, and become a part of, the Jackson County Cemetery Fund.

# **8. TRANSFERS AND ASSIGNMENT**

# i. REPURCHASE BY THE COUNTY

If, for any reason, it becomes necessary for any lot or burial space owner to dispose of his or her interest in any burial space, the owner may make applica on at the County Clerk's office for the repurchase of such spaces. No transfer or assignment will be allowed. The purchase price of the lot(s) or burial space(s) will be refunded to the purchaser, and the lot(s) will revert back to the County for sale.

# 9. PERPETUAL CARE

#### 1. PERPETUAL CARE MANDATORY

- ii. All lots of burial spaces shall be sold with perpetual care.
- ii. 11. PERPETUAL CARE FEE
  - a. The perpetual care fee is included in the plat fee at this me.
- iii. LOTS NOT NOW UNDER PERPETUAL CARE
  - i. There in not perpetual care at the Rand Cemetery.

#### 10. INTERMENTS

- i. SUBJECT TO LAWS AND ORDERS
  - i. In addi on to these Rules & Regula ons, all interments shall be subject to the orders and laws of Jackson County and of the State of Colorado.
- ii. DISPOSITION REMOVAL PERMIT REQUIRED
  - i. A disposi on removal permit issued by the Colorado Department of Health, or if the death occurred outside Colorado, a similar permit issued by the State in which the death occurred, is required prior to any interment. Such permit must be provided by the Funeral Director to the County.

# iii. MANNER AND CHARGES

i. All interments must be made in the manner set by the Board of County Commissioners only upon payment of the applicable charges.

#### iv. TIME & SCHEDULING

i. All interments must be scheduled through the Jackson County Clerk & Recorder.

#### v. NOTICE OF INTERMENT REQUIRED

i. Any reserva on for an interment will require a 72-hour period for prepara on of lot(s) or burial space(s) May 1st through October 31st.

# vi. CASKET NOT TO BE DISTURBED

i. Once a casket or other burial receptacle containing a body is in the confines of a cemetery, no funeral director or his embalmer, assistant, employee, agent, cemetery official or employee, or any other person shall be permi ed to open a casket or touch the body without the wri en consent of the legal representa ves of the deceased or a court order.

#### vii. EMERGENCY INTERMENTS

i. Arrangement for emergency interments must be made through the Board of County Commissioners upon proof of emergency.

# viii. INTERMENTS INVOLVING VIRULENT CONTAGIOUS DISEASES

i. Advance no ce must be given to the County of the inten on to inter the remains of any person who died of a virulent contagious disease so that a property me may be appointed for the interment and proper arrangements made for the protec on of the public and cemetery crew.

#### ix. EQUIPMENT

i. Ar ficial grass, lowering devices and other equipment owned by the County shall be used in making interments except that equipment owned by private par es may be used in lieu of equipment owned by the County.

# 11. DISINTERMENT

- i. In addi on to these Rules & Regula ons, all disinterment shall also be subject to any and all applicable order and laws of Jackson County and the State of Colorado.
- ii. Consistent with C.R.S. 148-13-101, no disinterment of a body will be made from the Jackson County Cemeteries without either a court order of a court of competent jurisdic on or a signed affidavit from the surviving spouse or next of kin, on a form provided by the County, sta ng that the disinterment is being requested for a valid reason that the applica on is being made by a proper person, that there is no opposi on to the disinterment by the surviving spouse, next of kin, or by the expressed wishes of the decedent, and that the affiant agrees to indemnify the County and hold it harmless from any liability that might result from the disinterment and release it from any claims the affiant may have, then or in the future by reason of the disinterment A cer fied copy of determina on of heirship from the Probate Court shall be a ached to the foregoing affidavit. The Board of County Commissioners shall

have the right to require a court order for disinterment at any me prior to the disinterment when circumstances exist or arise which indicate that there is a ques on as to the reason for the disinterment or as to whether there is opposi on to the disinterment.

- iii. Disinterment of a body so that the lot or burial space may be sold for profit to the heirs of the deceased or to any other person or removal contrary to the expressed or implied wish of the original lot or burial space owner is repugnant to the ordinary sense of decency and is absolutely forbidden.
- iv. The County reserves the right to require at least ten (10) days no ce prior to any disinterment. No disinterment will be made on any Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday or on the day upon which any holiday is legally observed.
- v. All fees assessed by the County for disinterment shall be paid to the County prior to the disinterment.
- vi. The services provided in connec on with disinterment include removing the cremains of the deceased, the casket, if any, and the burial receptacle, placing the same on top of the ground, and back filling the empty burial space. The County shall exercise the utmost care in carrying out a disinterment but it assumes no liability for damage to any casket, burial receptacle, or any other property during the disinterment processes.
- vii. No disinterment shall be permi ed prior to the receipt by the County of the prerequisite authoriza on from the state registrar or his/her duly designated local representa ve pursuant to C.R. 25-2-11.

#### 12. DECORATION OF LOTS AND BURIAL SPACES

i. JACKSON COUNTY AND WALDEN CEMETERIES ii. Under no

circumstances may glass vases be placed on the grounds.

- ii. No live flowers may be planted or cul vated on any burial space at any me.
- iii. Bushes or trees of any kind are not allowed on any burial space at any me.
- iv. The Jackson County Maintenance Supervisor or Jackson County Board of County Commissioners may order the removal of decora ons if they become unsightly.
- v. No fences will be allowed around burial lots or spaces in the Walden Cemetery with the excep on of fencing already present on December 31, 1994.
- vi. If any of the fencing present on December 31, 1994 is removed, no fencing will be allowed to replace it. All fencing must be maintained in good condi on, or it is subject to removal by the County.

- vii. The County does not wish to unnecessarily interfere with a family's choice of memorializa on. However, in jus ce to other lot owners and to preserve the beauty and harmony of the cemeteries, the Jackson County Board of County
  - i. Commissioners and the Jackson County Maintenance Supervisor reserve the right to maintain the appearance of the grounds, or a er a period of two (2) weeks to allow for the mowing and maintenance efforts of the County. If a family chooses to maintain the gravesite themselves, permi ed decora ons may remain for a period in excess of the two (2) week period. The County further reserves the right to approve or reject any proposed memorial, monument, etc.

# 13.MEMORIALS MONUMENTS, ETC.

- i. MISCELLANEOUS
  - i. All memorials and monuments shall be flat bronze or flat granite type in the New Jackson County Cemetery.
  - Should any memorial or monument become unsightly, dilapidated, or a menace to the safety of visitors, the Board of County Commissioners shall have the right to either correct the condi on or remove the same at the expense of the lot owner.
  - iii. No monument or memorial shall be removed from the cemeteries except by the County unless the wri en order or permission of the lot owner is presented to the County and permission is granted by the Board of County Commissioners.

# 14. AMENDMENTS, EXCEPTIONS. AND MODIFICATIONS

i. AMENDMENTS — The County may, and it herby expressly reserves the right, to adopt new rules or regula ons or to amend, alter, and/or repeal any rule, regula on, ar cle, sec on, paragraph or sentence in these Rules and Regula ons. Such new or amended Rules and Regula ons shall be binding on the owners of all lot(s) and burial space(s) regardless of the date such owner acquired the right of interment.

#### ii. EXCEPTIONS AND MODIFICATIONS

- i. Special cases may arise in which the literal enforcement of a rule may impose unnecessary hardship. The County, therefore reserves the right, without no ce, to make excep ons, suspensions or modifica ons in any of these Rules and Regula ons, when in its judgment, the same appear advisable and such temporary excep on, suspensions, or modifica ons shall in no way be construed as affec ng the general applica on or enforcement of the Rules and Regula ons.
- iii. ANY AND ALL WORK DONE IN THE JACKSON COUNTY CEMETERIES REQUIRES THE NOTIFICATION AND APPROVAL OF THE JACKSON COUNTY CLERK AND RECORDER AND THE JACKSON COUNTY MAINTENANCE SUPERVISOR.
- iv. CONCRETE VAULTS ARE REQUIRED IN ALL JACKSON COUNTY CEMETERIES, THE COST OF THESE VAULTS WILL BE CHARGED AT THE CURRENT COSTS CHARGED TO THE COUNTY BY THE SUPPLIER.

Adopted June 11, 2024

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PURCHASE OF LOTS

WALDEN, RAND, AND JACKSON COUNTY CEMETERIES

\$300.00 PER LOT CONSISTING OF TWO BURIAL SPACES MEASURING:

8' X 12' IN THE JACKSON COUNTY CEMETERY 8' X 8' IN THE WALDEN CEMETERY 10' X 10' IN THE RAND CEMETERY

OPENING AND CLOSING OF GRAVESITE FEES

# CASKET BURIAL

- OPENING/CLOSING MAY 1ST THROUGH OCTOBER 31- \$1,200.00
- VAULTS charged at purchase price See Clerk & Recorder for current pricing
- BURIALS REQUIRING WORK ON HOLIDAY/WEEKENDS AN ADDITIONAL \$250.00 WILL BE ASSESSED

CREMAINS

- OPENING/ CLOSING- \$200.00
- CREMAINS REQUIRING WORK ON HOLIDAYS/WEEKENDS, AN ADDITIONAL \$250.00 CHARGE WILL BE ASSESSED

# GRAVE LOCATION FEE

• GRAVE LOCATION FEE OF \$25.00 WILL BE CHARGED FOR PLOT LOCATIONS PERFORMED IN THE RAND, WALDEN, AND JACKSON COUNTY CEMETERIES

# DISINTERMENT FEE

- CASKET- \$1,200.00
- URN-\$200.00

NO BURIALS/ CREMAINS OR DISINTERMENTS DURING THE PERIOD OF

# NOVEMBER 1 ST THROUGH APRIL 30