South Dakota Department of Veterans Affairs



South Dakota Veterans Cemetery

Floral Regulations

- 1.) Fresh cut flowers may be placed on graves at any time. Reusable temporary flower containers are available at the cemetery.
- 2.) Artificial flowers may be placed on graves only during the period of October 10-April 15.
- 3.) Plantings are not permitted on the grave at any time. Potted plants will be permitted on graves only during the period 10 days before through 10 days after Easter Sunday and Memorial Day.
- 4.) Christmas specific decorations are permitted on the grave from Friday after Thanksgiving and will be removed beginning January 20 of each year. Grave floral blankets may not be larger than two by three feet.
- 5.) During the lawn mowing and grounds maintenance season, all unauthorized floral decorations will be removed and discarded when they become faded and unsightly.
- 6.) Statues, vigil lights, breakable objects of any nature, and similar commemorative items are not permitted on graves at any time. U.S. Flags are not permitted on graves except as authorized for Memorial Day.
- 7.) Floral items and other types of decorations will not be secured to headstones or niche covers.