

Any damages to graves or grounds from footer construction or monument placement must be repaired by the monument company.

Extra dirt from excavation needs to be properly removed from the grave site.

All burials, whether full or cremains, must be arranged through the parish office.

The maintenance of all headstones/markers and footers is the responsibility of the deed holder or their heirs.

Military plaques may use precast footers (28 x 16 x 4 inches) and must be placed level with the ground **unless** used as a headstone, which may be placed above ground.

Detailed rules and regulations can be found on the St. Francis Xavier Parish website. [Willardsfx.org](http://Willardsfx.org)

#### PRICES

GRAVE for Registered Parishioners and their spouse	\$600.00
GRAVE-Catholic Non-Parishioner	\$900.00
OPENING & CLOSING (full burial)	\$600.00
OPENING & CLOSING Unoccupied grave (cremains)	\$200.00
Occupied grave (cremains)	\$350.00



## ST. JOSEPH CEMETERY RULES & REGULATIONS

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## PRICING

The price of an interment space (grave) gives burial rights, **but not ownership**, of the plot or any part of the cemetery.

Before a burial, the cost of the grave **and** the cost of opening and closing the grave must be paid in full.

This right may not be sold, transferred or changed without consent of the church.

Interment space may be sold back to the church for the **original** purchase price.

An interment space cannot be reserved until the price is paid in full. Special consideration will be given to hardship cases.

Any required papers and permits should be turned into the church office before burial.

## CEMETERY PROPERTY

The Cemetery Committee, as a whole, will determine general landscaping, tree planting or removal, etc.

**All decorations and flowers should be on the headstone or footer. No more than two decorations per grave.**

Annual or perennial plantings (i.e.: trees, shrubs, flowers) are not permitted other than those in pots.

Potted plants are permitted from Easter to Veteran's Day. They should not interfere with mowing patterns.

Cut or artificial flowers/wreaths are permitted from Easter to Veteran's Day. They **must not** interfere with mowing patterns or cause potential danger to cemetery personnel. (i.e.: NO GLASS, tin cans or other materials that could cause a potential danger)

From Veteran's Day to Easter, tripod wreaths, saddles or other appropriate arrangements may be secured within the interment space.

Any material that you wish to save should be removed prior to the Fall/Spring Clean-up days. The dates will be announced in the parish bulletin.

Because of the difficulty of maintenance at the gravesite, we discourage the placement of mementoes (i.e.: food, pictures, toys, stuffed animals, etc). The parish assumes no liability for damages or losses of any kind.

**NO** landscape stones, fencing, borders or other enclosures.

The Parish/Cemetery Committee cannot assume responsibility for damages.

In order to maintain the cemetery as an honorable and respectful final resting place for your loved ones the Cemetery committee reserves the right to remove any inappropriate material.

## BURIAL PLOT REQUIREMENTS

A vault is required for all burials, except cremains. Cremains must be buried in an appropriate container, no scattering of ashes anywhere.

Vaults must be of top seal variety. Exceptions will be permitted for steel vaults and oversized vaults which only come as bottom seal.

All headstones are required to have a footer. All headstones must be put in place, on the footer, by the monument company.

Footers: Must be at least 4 inches longer and wider than the base of the monument, (a 2 inch margin around the monument) and the footer must be 30 inches deep.

Upon receipt of measurements from the monument company, the parish office will arrange for the footer to be properly outlined.