

## CUSTOMARY PRACTICES

1. **Gate Hours**: The gates are never locked. However, visiting hours should be generally restricted to daylight hours.
2. **General**: Block, Section and Lot numbers identify grave locations. Metal tags affixed to the perimeter fence identify section lines. Roads and aisles are provided for access. Dimensions of cemetery lots are 4' x 8'. Silver Brook Township maintains the official cemetery maps and records.
3. **Opening of Graves**: Upon notification, the Township, prior to burials, will accurately stake out graves. The Township does not arrange for the digging of graves. Winter burials are discouraged, but not prohibited. (Contact Steve Conley, Cemetery Sexton @ 384-3824)
4. **Standard Burial Conventions**: The deceased's head lies at the west end and the feet at the east end of the grave. For side by side burials, the lots are selected as follows: When standing at the foot of the grave and looking west, the wife/mother/female is to the right and the husband/father/male is to the left.
5. **Monuments and Markers**: All memorials are subject to cemetery rules and regulations and are set under the supervision of the Township. Double markers are placed at the head of the graves, centered on the lot line. Single markers (generally 1' x 2') are placed at the foot of the grave unless there is no double marker, in which case it may be placed at either the foot or the head. Markers are generally positioned and engraved such that the wording can be read when standing at the foot of the grave.
6. **Baskets and Flowers**: Baskets should be standard size of approximately 1' x 2', weigh no more than 30 pounds, and have four legs and two handles, allowing them to be easily moved for mowing. Baskets must have live plants. Baskets are allowed from approximately Memorial Day through September 30. Fresh-cut flowers should be in approved containers. Artificial flowers and decorations are permitted from Memorial Day through the month of June, after which time they will be removed and placed in the cemetery shed where their owners may reclaim them. Unclaimed items will eventually be disposed of.