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TOWNSHIP CEMETERY
WILL COUNTY

Welcome to the Wheatland Township Cemetery

Thank you for your interest in Wheatland Township Cemetery. The cemetery is located in south Naperville on 104th Street, just west of Plainfield-Naperville Road. We are a public cemetery open to all.

Our serene, peaceful cemetery has been in continuous operation since 1836. We offer grave sites to the general public and can accommodate both cremation and traditional casket burials.

Owned and operated by Wheatland Township, our cemetery is the final resting place of over 800, including dozens of U.S. military veterans.

Our dedicated cemetery trustees are ready to help your family in time of need or for pre planning purposes. Please explore the contents of this introductory packet for further information and answers to many commonly asked questions.

Contact us at (630) 717-0092 ext. 2 or reach out via email at cemetery@wheatlandtownship.com .

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Wheatland Township Cemetery – A Brief History

Wheatland Township Cemetery was established in 1836 by area farmers on a small parcel of land just north of the Du Page River. The land the cemetery now occupies was formerly farm land and before that, Native Americans roamed the area. To this day, early Native American arrowheads and other artifacts are occasionally unearthed in the cemetery's immediate vicinity.

Over the first 100+ years of the cemetery's existence, our footprint gradually expanded to our current 6.1 acre size. Purchases and generous donations of surrounding farmland from area families made our growth possible.

The cemetery's original section lies at the south end of our grounds. In the 1930's, the cemetery expanded north toward 104th Street. Both sections have grave sites available for your family's needs.

Wheatland Township Cemetery is now the final resting place of over 800. More than four dozen U.S. Military Veterans are buried here, dating back to the War of 1812, Civil War, World Wars I and II, and more. The U.S. Flag is raised on the cemetery's flag pole during services for all U.S. military veterans.

In 2001, ownership of the cemetery transitioned from the Wheatland Cemetery Association to Wheatland Township. The Township's Highway Department provides cemetery care and maintenance, along with our cemetery trustees.

Wheatland Township Cemetery is proud to be an official Will County Historic Landmark, bestowed in 2011 by the Will County Historic Preservation Committee.

To discover more of our history in greater detail, view and download a copy of our free e-book ***"The Wheatland Township Story: Get To Know Your Quiet Neighbors"*** at the Cemetery Committee page at WheatlandTownship.com.

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Wheatland Township Cemetery – Frequently Asked Questions

Is Wheatland Township Cemetery a public cemetery? Can anyone be buried here? Yes, our cemetery is open to serve all. There are no restrictions whatsoever as to who can be buried here.

What are the costs associated with a burial? Typically, there are two immediate costs. First is the cost of a grave. The second cost is known as an “open / close” fee. Current fees are listed in this packet and linked at WheatlandTownship.com.

Will a grave accommodate more than one cremation burial? Yes. Standard graves can typically accommodate up to three cremation burials.

How do I obtain a headstone for a grave? You can purchase a headstone from area monument vendors - we are happy to provide local recommendations.

Please do not purchase a headstone via the internet as this requires the purchaser to transport the headstone to the cemetery. Our cemetery charges a \$70 fee to mark the headstone location. This fee can be paid directly to the cemetery or through the headstone vendor.

Who is responsible for the cemetery's operations? The cemetery is owned by Wheatland Township. Our office is located at 4232 Tower Court in Naperville, near the intersection of Rt. 59 & 103rd Street. The cemetery is maintained by our Highway Department staff and cemetery trustees.

If I have any additional questions, who should I contact? Wheatland Township administrative staff and our cemetery trustees are happy to assist. Call us at (630)-717-0092 ext. 2 or email us at cemetery@wheatlandtownship.com

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Cemetery Prices (Effective 5/1/22)

Payment In Full Before Interment (Cash – Check – Credit Card 3% Surcharge)

Grave: \$1100 *Wheatland Township Residents:* Accommodates one casket or up to 3 cremation burials. ***Proof of purchaser or decedent's residency required at time of purchase. Non Wheatland Township Residents: \$1200***

Casket Burials: Grave Open / Close Costs (March 16 to December 15)

(Tent, carpets, chairs are not provided by Cemetery. Casket burial requires casket vault provided by the funeral home)

\$1800 Monday – Friday (9 a.m. – 3 p.m.)

\$2000 Saturday (9 a.m. – 3 p.m.)

\$2100 Sunday & National Holidays (9 a.m. – 3 p.m.)

Add \$50 per ½ hour for late arrivals after 3 p.m. Winter burials December 16 – March 15 add \$100 for excess vendor time for cold / snow / frozen ground

Cremation Burials: Grave Open / Close Costs

\$950 Monday – Friday (9 a.m. – 3 p.m.)

\$1000 Saturday (9 a.m. – 3 p.m.)

\$1100 Sunday & Holidays (9 a.m. – 3 p.m.)

\$300 Scattering of Cremation Ash (See Cemetery Ordinance for Details)

Measure & Mark for Placement of Grave Monument: \$70

Transfer of Grave Rights to New Owner: \$25

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Wheatland Township Cemetery – General Rules & Regulations

The following is a brief summary of the cemetery's rules and regulations. For further details, please see the cemetery page at WheatlandTownship.com .

All cemetery charges shall be paid in advance or by other arrangements satisfactory to cemetery management.

Wheatland Township Cemetery is open dawn to dusk 365 days a year.

Vehicle traffic and parking are only permitted on cemetery roads or as directed by cemetery personnel.

Cemetery management reserves the right to regulate the method of decorating interment spaces so a uniform beauty can be maintained.

Memorial installation shall be approved by cemetery management in advance. Complete monument specifications are available in our Rules & Regulations Ordinance document at the cemetery page on WheatlandTownship.com .

No pets are allowed in the cemetery.

Cemetery maintenance shall be performed only by Wheatland Township personnel or authorized vendors approved by cemetery management.

Consumption of alcohol and illegal drugs in the cemetery is prohibited.

Good conduct and a respectful ambiance are to be observed at all times.

Cemetery management reserves the right to correct any errors.

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Wheatland Township Cemetery – Decoration Regulations

The following is a brief summary of our decoration rules and regulations. For more details, please see the cemetery page at WheatlandTownship.com.

Wheatland Township Cemetery encourages visitors. We recognize the value and importance of decorating a loved one's final resting place. Here are some general guidelines for families and visitors:

- Cemetery Trustees conduct general cemetery clean up days the last weekend of April and October. Reminders are posted on site and exact dates are posted at WheatlandTownship.com. All worn and out of season decorations are removed at clean up dates.
- Anything breakable or consumable will be removed immediately for safety reasons (glass & ceramic items, candy, beverages, etc.).
- In ground plantings are discouraged as they present difficulty for mowing and trimming.
- Potted plants are prohibited unless hung on a shepherd hook. Only single arm shepherd hooks are allowed and limited to one per grave.
- Decorations overly interfering with normal cemetery maintenance activities will be removed.
- Cemetery personnel are not responsible for damage or loss of any decorations placed in the cemetery.

**** Cemetery personnel reserve the right to exercise latitude for new burials, generally defined as those occurring within the previous two years.**

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