

**Cemetery Policy  
Town of Sumner  
August 13, 2013**

Graves may be purchased for \$200/grave which includes perpetual care. The Town Clerk must be contacted to purchase a grave. Graves will be sold from East to West no more than 3 rows at a time from existing occupied graves with the approval of the Sexton.

An agreement to purchase a previously sold grave must be made between the current owner and the purchaser; however, the new owner must pay an additional \$100 to the Town for perpetual care.

Clerk will call Sexton before selling plot to be certain of grave location and availability.

Funeral directors must contact Clerk and Sexton prior to burial. If contact is not made with either, then funeral directors must contact any Town board member.

If possible, all graves dug in the Sumner Cemetery will have sod removed prior to digging the grave. Upon closing the grave, the grave will be backfilled properly and sod returned. Any extra dirt from graves will have to be hauled away at diggers expense. Any work that has to be done to fix graves that are not dug and back filled properly will be charged to the funeral home.

All regular casket burials have to be buried in a vault. All cremations have to be buried in an urn. This is to insure that all graves can be found more easily in the future.

Planting trees or shrubs on gravesites is prohibited. Artificial decorations placed in the summer shall be removed from the cemetery by October 1 each year. Artificial decorations placed in the winter shall be removed from the cemetery by April 1 each year. After 3 years, unused decorations and supporting rods shall be removed.

Copies of the map and record will be made and available to the sexton. Sexton and Clerk will keep each other informed as to changes.

**Contact List to Funeral Directors.**

Dave Stepanek, Sexton	859-6520
Sandy Tomczak, Town Clerk	859-6520
Steve Palmquist, Town Chair	859-6214
Joe Grilley, Supervisor	859-2943
Kevin Crotteau, Supervisor	859-2905
Jason Cook, grave digger	790-6873