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Town of Kingsville – Cemetery Services FAQ

Q: What are “Interment Rights”?

A: Interment Rights are the legal rights that allow a person to decide who can be interred in a specific Lot within a cemetery. Interment Rights Holders have entered into a contractual agreement to purchase said rights. This purchase does not result in ownership of the land itself, simply the right to determine who is interred there, subject to the [Town of Kingsville’s Cemeteries By-law](#).

Q: What can I do with my Interment Rights?

A: Interment Rights allow you to make the determination who will be interred in a Lot, what type of interment will take place, any decorative/memorial items placed on the Lot, and the right to Disinter any remains (full and cremation).

Q: Can I transfer my Interment Rights?

A: Yes, but the process must be facilitated through the Town of Kingsville. An individual may transfer interment rights after obtaining consent from the current Rights Holder(s) and paying the applicable administrative fee, as set in the Town’s [Cemetery Services Price List \(2026\)](#).

Q: What is a Marker? Does the Town of Kingsville supply Markers?

A: A Marker refers to any monument, plaque, or headstone that serves to identify an individual(s) within a cemetery, and is placed on his or her Lot. They come in various sizes, subject to certain specifications outlined in the Town of Kingsville’s Cemeteries By-law. The Town of Kingsville does not sell Markers. To purchase a Marker, you must contact a local Marker Company.

Q: Can I place a Marker on my Lot before I pass away?

A: Yes. Working through a local Marker Company you can pre-order a Marker. The company will create the Marker to your specifications and will contact the Town of Kingsville to have it placed on your or your loved one’s Lot.

Q: Can I place commemorative items on my Lot or the Lot of a loved one?

A: Yes, items such as flowers, wreaths, and blankets are permitted as long as they do not impede on another Lot as specified below:

The placement of additional items are restricted to certain times within the year.

- Between November 1 and March 31, wreaths and blankets may be placed on a Lot provided they are securely fastened to a Monument, or where there is no Monument,



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mounted on a stand of a least thirty (30) inches high and anchored to the ground

- Between April 1 and October 31, plastic vases, plastic flower pots, potted plants and shepherd's hooks on top of the ground, but not buried, can be placed on a Lot. They must be placed as close to a Monument or Marker base as practical

Please note that the Public Operations Team may remove items that have decayed, or if removal is required for perpetual care and maintenance of the cemetery.

Q: What happens if I notice damage to my Markers or the Lot itself?

A: If you notice damage to your Lot or any corresponding Markers, money from the Care and Maintenance Fund can cover repairs. Please contact the Town directly at clerks@kingsville.ca, describe the issue, provide photos (if applicable), and request assistance. Please note that any additional placement of decorative/memorial items such as flowers, wreaths, or blankets, are not covered.

Q: How many people can be interred in one Lot?

A: According to the Town of Kingsville's Cemeteries By-law, we permit the following in a single Lot:

- One (1) full-body interment, supplemented by up no more than two (2) cremated remains, or one (1) infant interment with dimensions not exceeding 12"x24"
- Up to four (4) cremated remains

Q: What size are Lots in the Town of Kingsville's Cemeteries?

A: A standard Lot in the Town of Kingsville's Cemeteries is approximately 3'4" x 8' (three feet four inches by eight feet). This may vary slightly as Cemeteries at the Town of Kingsville are inherited and Lots may not have been parcelled out equally under the original operators of the Cemetery.

Q: Why are Cemetery Services so expensive?

A: The fees for Interments cover the cost for labour, opening/closing of the grave, reseeding, and locating the grave.

The fees for the sale of Interment Rights have a portion of the sale allocated to the Care and Maintenance Fund. This fund ensures that the cemetery is cared for in perpetuity through routine maintenance.

Q: Will the Town of Kingsville make arrangements for a funeral on my behalf?

A: No. The Town of Kingsville is only responsible for the interment process itself. Any additional services, such as a funeral, must be arranged by the individual or through a Funeral Home, if desired.



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Q: Can I book an interment at any time throughout the year?

A: We will make every effort to accommodate interment requests. During the Winter months when there is heavy snowfall and subzero temperatures, we require additional time to prepare the grounds for an interment.

There may be rare situations where the frost has reached a depth where we cannot safely prepare the grounds for an interment. In this instance, we will work to reschedule the interment when it is feasible to do so, and at a time that works with the requestor.

Q: The original Rights Holder is deceased and I want to use their Lots, can I do this?

A: In accordance with Succession Laws in the Province of Ontario, interment rights are perpetual and pass on from generation to generation. Over time as more generations are naturally established, interment rights are often inherited by several people, meaning multiple people may technically have rights to one lot. To use an inherited Lot, we will require the consent of all living heirs with the same degree of connection to the original Rights Holder. Proof of lineage must be provided.

Q: Do I need a vault for an interment?

A: No. The Town of Kingsville does not require the use of vaults in our cemeteries. Should an individual wish to purchase a vault, they must provide the dimension of the vault prior to the interment to ensure that the vault will fit when it is lowered in the ground.

Q: What are the requirements for a cremation interment? What can I use to hold the ashes?

A: Cremated remains can be interred in any receptacle with the condition that it can be sealed shut. If the receptacle deviates from the average 8.5x 6.5x4.5 inches, confirmation of the dimensions must be provided prior to the interment.