



Maintaining Our Cemetery

We need your assistance in keeping our cemetery safe and tidy:

- Please ensure your tributes are kept off the lawn
- Old flowers, along with tributes that have withered or are damaged, will be removed at Council's discretion and without notice
- We encourage families to remove precious items before they deteriorate

Reclaiming Your Property

All non-floral tributes removed by Council staff, including tributes deemed nonconforming, will be kept for four weeks from the date of removal. Please contact staff to reclaim. If items are not collected within the four weeks they will be recycled.



Katherine Cemetery

Flower and ornament guidelines

Keeping our cemetery safe and looking great

Open daily from sunrise to sunset.
No entry outside these hours.

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Respect For All

Katherine Town Council is committed to maintaining Katherine Memorial Cemetery's tidy presentation. We understand that people want to decorate a grave or memorial for sentimental or religious reasons. To ensure this is done in a safe and tidy way, the following applies:

- Tributes are allowed only on the concrete plinth
- No items are allowed where it would stop the lawn from growing or obstruct maintenance of the area.

Items that fail to do this will be removed immediately and without notice.

Please respect your neighbours and ensure your tributes do not encroach on their memorials.



Council tried to make this policy as fair as possible, while being compliant with the relevant acts and regulations.

Please contact Council if you are unsure if your tributes adhere to the policy, or if you require further clarification. Thank you for your assistance in keeping our cemetery tidy and safe.



Placing Tributes

Floral Tributes

When placing flowers for your beloved, please use a non-breakable container. Free containers are provided at the rear of the rotunda. Alternatively, you can place flowers in the vases built into the monumental work or place them neatly on the concrete plinth in front of the headstone.

- Two weeks after a burial, grave mounds will be levelled and planted with lawn seed. All flowers and wreaths adorning the grave will be discarded at the time of levelling.
- Unauthorised planting of flora of any kind is prohibited and will be removed. The picking of flowers or any other plants from our Cemetery is also prohibited.



Non-Floral Tributes

We ask that non-floral tributes be kept to a minimum. Please ensure they are no higher than 45cm and placed neatly on the concrete plinth.



Safety First

Breakable Items

- Items made with glass or porcelain are prohibited because when they are damaged, they pose a risk to visitors and staff.
- Other hazardous items include: stones, pebbles, and pavers; fragile decorations that can easily break such as wind chimes and flags; perishable toys; decorative fencing such as arches, shelves, and metal spikes. These are all prohibited.
- Candles and open flames (including incense): We understand the cultural and religious significance of lighting candles and incense sticks. However as these items pose a fire risk, they are prohibited in our cemetery.

Please be aware that the cemetery is exposed to the elements as well as hundreds of people who visit every year, so be careful leaving treasured keepsakes. All items placed at a grave or memorial will eventually deteriorate or break, and are at risk of being moved or lost.