## **Purchase of Sites**

The Committee will sell available sites only to current members of Mt. Zion U.M.C. A church member may purchase a maximum of two sites. The Committee will review requests from former church members and members of the community on a case-by-case basis, with special consideration given to those with family buried at Mt. Zion Cemetery.

Site holders must identify their site on the Cemetery Plan and pay in full at the time of purchase.

The sole use of any site is for interment alone. Those purchasing sites henceforth may not transfer sites to any party except the Committee, which will repurchase the sites for the sum of money originally paid. Existing site holders are discouraged from transferring sites to parties other than the Committee and will be charged a processing fee for such transactions.

All prices and fees are subject to change.

Upon the death of a site holder, the site will descend to his/her heirs at law.

#### Site Markers

Site holders are responsible for furnishing their own corner markers. They or their heirs must inset, at minimum, a marble nameplate within six months of interment in the site.

Masons and stonecutters are not permitted to bring into the cemetery materials in an unprepared condition or large quantities of materials in advance of their immediate use. New memorials may rise no more than 42" from the ground.

The Committee reserves the right to prohibit the erection of any marker it deems inappropriate in material, design, workmanship, or location, and site holders or their heirs must reset the markers at their expense if the Committee deems necessary.

## Site Maintenance

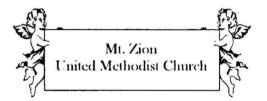
Only the Committee may change the grade of lots, once established.

The site holder or his/her heirs is responsible for properly maintaining any improvements to the site such as stone work. The Committee reserves the right to correct problems at the expense of the site holder or his/her heirs.

The Committee reserves the right to remove floral arrangements, holiday decorations, and other ornamentation it deems unsightly or outdated. Ornamentation must be confined to individual sites and they not adorn trees, fence, benches, or other permanent structures of the cemetery.

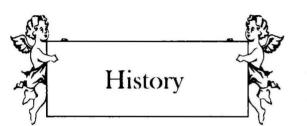
Site holders and their heirs may plant seasonal foliage on their sites. No new ground covers, shrubs or trees are permitted. The Committee reserves the right to remove any existing shrubs or trees that have become detrimental to adjacent sites or walkways, inconvenient to visitors, unsightly, or diseased.

The Committee will perpetually care for sites by cutting the grass, destroying weeds, seeding, and removing trash as necessary.



# Cemetery Rules and Regulations

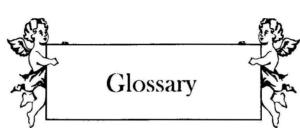




In June 1912 the Ladies Aid Society of Mt. Zion Church made final payment on a \$200, two-acre lot at the corner of Route 216 and Browns Bridge Road, located diagonally across the intersection from the church. In June 1915 the Society transferred the cemetery to the Mt. Zion Cemetery Company, a private, non-profit corporation that published its original set of rules and regulations soon afterward, in 1916.

Initially, the corporation made no provision for perpetual care. Instead, it raised funds through public suppers and bake sales. It next tried billing site holders for maintenance, with little success. In May 1953, the Cemetery Company began creating a perpetual care fund that is still in use today. All principal monies from the sale of sites are invested, and the cemetery operates solely on dividends and donations.

In September 1981, the Cemetery Company conveyed responsibility for cemetery property and assets to the Board of Trustees of the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church. The church's Cemetery Committee manages the cemetery's funds and administers its affairs.



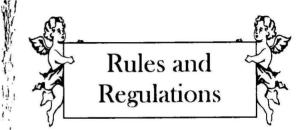
<u>Cemetery Committee</u> - The members of Mt. Zion United Methodist Church who oversee the business and maintenance of the Mt. Zion Cemetery. (Herctofore, the Cemetery Committee will be referred to simply as the Committee).

<u>Lot</u> - A 20' x 20' section of the cemetery containing ten 4' x 10' burial sites. Some of the older lots contain twelve 3' x 10' burial sites.

<u>Site</u> - The smallest subdivision of cemetery property. A full site measures 4' x 10' and is used for interment of an adult casket or multiple sets of ashes. A partial site is smaller than 4' x 10', often odd-shaped, and is used for interment of ashes or a child's casket.

<u>Site Holder</u> - A person who has paid the Cemetery Committee for the right to use a cemetery site for purposes of interment. The Mt. Zion United Methodist Church maintains ownership of the land.

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General All vehicles must remain on the cemetery drive.

Pets, alcoholic beverages, and glass containers are not permitted on cemetery property.

The Committee reserves the right to exclude from the grounds any person(s) or firm(s) who persist in disobeying any of the rules listed herein. The Committee may suspend work immediately whenever the result is not satisfactory to the Committee, or there is a failure to conform to the rules and regulations prescribed.

#### Interments

Funerals are not permitted on Sundays/holidays.

The Committee must receive all interment fees from the funeral home prior to interment.

All interments require concrete liners or approved equal; aboveground interments and double-depth graves are not permitted.

The Committee reserves the right to remove funeral designs 48 hours after interment.