

Requirements and Restrictions

(this applies to all headstones, regardless of where they are purchased)

- Names and dates may appear on both sides of a marker; however, they **must** appear at minimum on the **WEST side** of the marker. Any monument set with names and dates appearing only on the east side will be turned to face the proper direction, regardless of whether the name placement aligns with the grave in which your loved one is buried. Please ensure your monument is produced with names and dates on the **WEST side** of the headstone. If you are unsure how your marker should be laid out, please feel free to contact the office — we are happy to help ensure everything is done correctly.
- Markers that are not in the headstone row (or that are in the Singles Section) must be lawn level (flush with the grass). The mowers will need to travel over the top of them, so vases or other items that protrude from them are not allowed.
- Markers must be of authorized material only (granite, marble, bronze)
- Evergreen Cemetery does not accept deliveries of markers on your behalf. You must ensure that delivery/installation arrangements have been made. (If you are purchasing through Evergreen, Patten has already included all of this in the price of the granite)
- All markers require a foundation (or setting fee for lawn level markers) and must be ordered through the cemetery. Foundations are only to be installed by Evergreen Cemetery staff. Very large headstones (height over 48"), may need to have a deeper foundation installed to ensure it does not lean, which will increase the foundation fee. (Headstones large enough to require this are not common)
- The max headstone width (measurement east to west) is 24" for all sections.
- No limit on height.
- Markers spanning multiple graves may use the combined length of all graves. Length (measurement north to south) restrictions by section listed on the below table:

	1 grave	2 graves	3 graves	4 graves
Sections OD,ND,7, and 8	36"	72"	108"	144"
All other sections	40"	80"	120"	160"

Additional information

- Headstones are not required.
- Headstones may be placed pre-need.
- Markers can include names of more than one individual. This is often the case for a marker spanning multiple graves, but can also be the case for a marker on a single grave.
- Markers are not legal documents and can have names in the format that best suits you and your loved one, meaning it does not have to be the decedent's full legal name. Often times a nickname they were known by, a maiden name, a second married name, etc is listed. This is completely your preference.
- While anyone may place a headstone, final approval rests solely with the individual(s) who holds the burial rights to the grave. If you do not hold the burial rights, any headstone you place may be removed at the discretion of the burial rights holder. We strongly recommend obtaining written permission from all burial rights holders before purchasing a headstone. Grand Blanc Evergreen Cemetery is not responsible for any loss or expense incurred as a result of a headstone's removal.
- The restrictions and requirements listed are for Evergreen Cemetery. If you are ordering a headstone to be placed at a different cemetery, please be sure you are knowledgeable of their specific requirements and restrictions.