

Rutherford Cemetery Association

Established 1851

2013 Important Dates

See inside for more details

Annual Meeting

- Tuesday April 9
- 7pm
- Stillwater Evangelical Free Church

Clean Up Day

- Saturday May 4
- 9am
- backup date May 18

Memorial Day Ceremony

- Monday May 27
- Program commences 6:45am

NEWSLETTER

Keeping Our Members Informed

January 2013



Mission Statement

Our Mission is to serve the community as an active burial ground and to honor the past generations buried there. We will perform this work as an all-volunteer, non-profit organization to ensure this remains a beautiful historic site where we will remember our very humble beginnings in 1850 and where it will always be known as a peaceful place where family and friends may gather in remembrance.

The governing Board of the Rutherford Cemetery shall seek individual and community support and involvement as well as charitable donations to preserve this historic site. It shall express reverence and gratitude for our forebears so that all who come to visit will know that those who have gone were indeed buried with dignity and honor and remembered with affection.

Rutherford Cemetery Association is a nonprofit cemetery association governed by a board of trustees

General Information

email: RutherfordCemeteryAssociation@hotmail.com (or kathymhenke@hotmail.com)
phone: 651-430-2669 (Ron Johnson) website: www.RutherfordCemetery.org

A message from our President, Khal Slayhi



2012 was a relatively quiet year for Rutherford due in most part to the fact we were able to do so much the previous year with the overwhelming generosity & support that was forthcoming from our members.

Our Grounds Committee team of Tim Kruse and Ron Johnson are working on plans for improvements to the grounds. Some are needed from a safety aspect and others to beautify the grounds. Of course any changes are always dependent on funds and so again I send a plea to each of you to consider a donation to the Rutherford Cemetery. All donations are tax deductible and you can direct donations to a specific fund, i.e. a replacement trees.

In September I attended the 3-day Annual Convention of the MN Association of Cemeteries. This was a most interesting event and one of the discussions centered around what lot owners should know about cemetery law. Much confusion exists in the minds of lot owners and their families concerning their legal rights relating to cemetery lots. In many ways the operation of cemeteries differs from the ordinary tasks of administration of business affairs or government, although it is somewhat similar to both. This peculiar relationship is the reason for the existence of many of the laws affecting cemeteries, which quite often seem to be the reverse of the usual rule. I'd like to share with you just a few that were mentioned:

- *What The Purchaser Buys:* Cemeteries are allowed to grant to lot purchasers only the right to burial, and that is the only title, which a lot owner acquires when the lot is conveyed, no matter what form or deed be used. [MN Statutes (306.09)]
- *Burials Restricted:* The law expressly forbids the burial of anyone on a lot who was not at the time of death, the owner of the lot, or a relative of the owner by blood or marriage, except by written consent of the cemetery. [MN Statutes (306.29)]
- *Taxes, Mortgages, Etc.* Lot owners cannot mortgage their lots; neither does the law tax them, nor allow them to be taken away from the owner to pay his debts. [MN Statutes (306.29)]
- *Limitations In Deeds:* Cemeteries are permitted by law to adopt rules and regulations for their government, and their deeds of burial lots may be made subject to such rules and regulations. [MN Statutes (306.09)]
- *Rules:* Every modern cemetery has in force rules and regulations governing, amongst other things, planting or landscaping, monumental work, burials, removals, conduct of visitors, speed of vehicles, etc. Lot owners are subject to all reasonable control by the cemetery in such matters, both by force of law as well as by the terms of the deeds by which their lots are conveyed to them. [MN Statutes (306.02) (306.25) (306.08) (306.09) (306.73)]

This coming Annual Meeting will be my last as President of this fine Association. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for giving me the opportunity to represent you for the past three years. It has been most rewarding and I know my successor will also get a great deal from the experience. I would like to encourage each and everyone one of you to consider taking an active part on the Board or one of the Committees. Just contact any Board Member for information.

In closing, I once again send a most sincere *thank you* to all of you who have so generously made donations, whether it is giving your valuable time, services, goods or money. It is because of *you* that Rutherford Cemetery will continue to be successful and given these are still tough financial times, we are honored that you consider the Association a worthy cause. We can't thank you enough. .

Khal Slayhi
President



April 9, 2013 Annual Meeting Agenda Item

Attendees will be asked to vote on the following proposed changes to the Rutherford Cemetery Association By-Laws:

Section 3: The Board agrees and recommends that the Lot Sales Person should be a voting position and so this would now read:

"The Board of Directors of said Association shall consist of President, Vice-president, **Lot Sales Person**, Secretary, Treasurer, and seven (7) Trustees."

Section 9: should have been changed 2 years ago when we voted to stop advertising the Annual Meeting in the Gazette. It would now read:

"Power to change By-Laws: The By-Laws, or any part of them may be changed by amendment or repeal, and adoption of new Articles at any Annual meeting thereof, providing notice of such amendment, repeal, or adoption had been stated in the published notice of Annual meeting in the **RCA Newsletter** Stillwater-Gazette paper."

Our sympathies to the families of these Association members who passed away in 2012

Name	Date
Mary Lynn Lindholm (nee Gibson)	Sep 13, 2012
Lynelle Marie Nelson	July 11, 2012
Ronald Milo Maley	May 10, 2012
Liam Kenyon Nelson	Mar 22, 2012
Mary Joyce Brosious	Mar 19, 2012
Barrett Colombo	Mar 23, 2012
Richard (Rich) Walmarth Salzbrenner	Mar 21, 2012
Barbara Fedorowski	Feb 02, 2012



2013 Important Events

Annual Meeting: Tuesday, April 9, 7pm

Members of the Rutherford Cemetery Association, friends and the public are invited to the annual meeting of the Rutherford Cemetery Association. The meeting will be held next door to the cemetery at the Stillwater Evangelical Free Church. Pot luck snacks will be served after the meeting. **The agenda will include a vote to change the By-Laws Section 3 and Section 9 as detailed on page 2 of this Newsletter.** Positions for election are listed below and if you have an interest in one of these positions, please contact a Board member.

President
2 Trustees

Meeting location:

Stillwater Evangelical Free Church
7671 Manning Ave N, Stillwater, MN 55082

CLEAN UP DAY-Saturday May 4

The 2013 Annual Clean Up day is set for **Saturday May 4** with a **backup date of May 18** depending on weather.

We gather at 9 am. There is always something for everyone, so please come along and join your fellow members in giving the area a good sprucing up. We will have several tools and supplies available, but buckets, rakes, shovels and gloves will no doubt come in handy.

If you have questions regarding this day, please contact **Ron Johnson, 651-430-2669** or e-mail us for further details.

Memorial Day Program



Rutherford

Monday, May 27, 2013

Program commences at 6:45am



Refreshments will be available on the Cemetery ground. Everyone is welcome.

We are honored that Rutherford Cemetery is the resting place for veterans dating from the Civil War and we want to make sure all veterans are acknowledged. Please let us know if you have any updated information. Call 651-247-9176 (Kathy Henke) or

email RutherfordCemeteryAssociation@hotmail.com or kathymhenke@hotmail.com

Need Information?

If you are interested in a cemetery lot or just want some information, your source would be the team of Ron Johnson & Kathy Henke.



Ron is in charge of Lot Sales and has been involved with Rutherford Cemetery for many years.

Kathy, our Secretary, can help With a variety of enquiries or direct them to the right person.



Monuments

As I'm sure everyone is aware, the Association Rules and Regulations state that a headstone or marker must be placed within twelve months of burial. Information has been included on our web site for monument suppliers we've used in the past. These companies are familiar with the styles found within Rutherford Cemetery and can advise you of a variety of options. Or contact Ron Johnson directly and he can give you further information.

Is your information current?

Please let us know if you have a change of address, phone or email. I receive many 'failure notices' from emails as it appears several members have changed their email address. If you're not sure your correct email is on file, please send a quick email to RutherfordCemeteryAssociation@hotmail.com, or kathymhenke@hotmail.com

Please note that any newsletters returned which had no forwarding address will be removed from the mailing list. If you know of members who have had changes, please ask them to contact the secretary, or perhaps you could make the contact in order to keep our records accurate. Updates can be sent to the above emails or by phone to the secretary, Kathy Henke, 651-247-9176.

Remember to add these email addresses to your email contacts to ensure delivery.

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Steve Speltz: ph: 651.705.6585 / 651.689.3079
Steve@wildcontrol.com Wildlifecontrolnow.com

A sincere thank you to our friends and neighbors at the Stillwater Evangelical Free Church for allowing us the use of their meeting rooms.



7671 Manning Avenue North,
Stillwater, MN 55082
Ph:(651) 439-0433

Come Worship With Us!

\$3,100+ in

Donations for 2012

Thank You for your Support!!

Scott & Kum Cha Kruse	Leesburg, VA	In memory of Linda DeValois
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Florence Emme	Lakeland, FL	In Memory of Arlene Peterson
the family of Joyce Brosious	Minneapolis, MN	In memory of Joyce Brosious
Joy & Gaylen Schilling	Somerset, WI	In memory of Joyce Brosious
Randy & Margaret Guse	Downers Grove, IL	In memory of Reiny Guse
Khal & Clara Slayhi	Stillwater, MN	Donation
Iona Holsten	Stillwater, MN	In memory of Ray & Gladys Holsten
James & Marlene McKeown	White Bear Lake, MN	Donation
Annual Meeting Collection		Donation
Jeff & Susan Olson	Green Valley, AZ	In memory of Royal & Jeanette Masterman. (inadvertently omitted from last year's list)
James & Susan Burton	Forrest Lake, MN	Donation
Nick and Ann Mastrodicasa	Aguanga, CA	Donation
Elizabeth Welke	Stillwater, MN	In memory of Skip (Harold) Welke
Martha Bennington & Thomas Niedzwiecki	Marine-on-St. Croix, MN	Donation
Scott & Kum Cha Kruse	Leesburg VA	In memory of Linda DeValois
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Charles & Ute Buehler	Stillwater, MN	Donation
Florence Emme	Lakeland, FL	In Memory of Vida & Arthur Vollmer
Vernon & Shirley Chizek	Roseville, MN	Donation
John C. Jentink	Austin, MN	In memory of wife Alta J. Jentink
Audrey L. Gimmestad	Stillwater, MN	Donation
Kathy Henke	Stillwater, MN	Donation for Newsletter postage
Kathy Henke	Stillwater, MN	Donation for Newsletter printing/envelopes etc
Khal & Clara Slayhi	Stillwater, MN	Donation of Annual Membership to MN Assoc. of Cemeteries & registration fee for attending annual Convention
Joe Joslin & Bob Joslin	Stillwater, MN	Web site upkeep in memory of his mom/wife (Millie)

For your convenience, enclosed is a return-addressed envelope should you wish to send a donation.
(2840 Brewers Lane, Stillwater, MN 55082)



Burial Lot Rates

Current Rates for Rutherford Cemetery as at August 2011
(Prices may vary at any time)

There are no additional fees for burials or cremations on weekends



Full Burial	\$ 575.00
Cremation	\$ 575.00
2 nd internment	\$ 250.00
Columbarium (includes first internment)	\$1,500.00
2nd Internment in a single niche	\$ 250.00

Opening/Closing Charges:	Summer	Winter
Full Burial	\$575.00	\$725.00
Cremation	\$375.00	\$400.00
Cremation with vault	\$575.00	\$575.00

A Reminder.....

Flowers and plants may not be planted on grave sites and no artificial plants are permitted. It is important that everyone is aware of the governing rules of the Rutherford Cemetery Association. You'll find a copy of the current Rules & Regulations in this Newsletter as well as on the website.

PRISCILLA CLUB HISTORY: 1913 - 1963

The people of the Rutherford settlement and the Twin Lakes area, thru the years, have had many ties: friendship, relationship, and a desire for companionship ever since the days of the early settlers.

Beside individual visiting and special occasions, as birthday parties, wedding anniversaries and picnics, there was a non denominational Sunday school during the infant years of this century which proved to be the leaven which increased the well being of these two communities.

It was not until 1913 that the thought of gathering regularly was brought into focus.

In June 1913, Mrs. Ned Benschoter, a comparatively new settler in the Rutherford district, invited the women from both these areas to her home for a potluck dinner. (NOTE: a hand-written note on this document indicates that the "First meeting was held at H.B.Vollmer's home on June 11, 1913").

With no thought of officers or elaborate rules but by mutual consent, these dear folks agreed to meet every two weeks on Wednesday at various homes. As the men seemed to be the minus quantity, it was not long before they were included in every fourth meeting.

These gatherings were soon called the Wednesday Club and later on became known as the Sewing Club. This name came into being because either individuals brought hand sewing or came prepared to sew for the hostess or someone else.

It was not until the January 1915 meeting these women decided it was time to have a permanent name, some needed rules, and officers. After much amiable discussion and suggestions of names, a vote was taken and Priscilla, proposed by Mrs. Frame, was selected. To complete the business at hand, officers were elected and rules adopted. Mrs. Delbert Wilcox became the first president of the now two year old club.

From that day forward, the Priscilla Club became an integral part of the community life. Whenever sickness or trouble of any kind manifested its ugly head, the Priscillas were there to do their bit to give that spark of encouragement needed to dissipate the dark cloud.

Progress has a way of changing the status quo. As daughters grew up and were ready to start new homes of their own, the Priscillas gave a shower and presented the bride with remembrances for her new home.

The cries of war in 1917 roused the Priscillas to do their part and more for home and country. Like minutemen in days of yore, they sewed and knit, bought bonds and saved food.

In the spring of 1918 they sponsored a dance for the benefit of the Red Cross, held in Clarence Newman's comparatively new barn, the largest barn in this vicinity. This enormous project enabled the Priscillas to turn over five hundred and sixty-four dollars to the Red Cross. For this occasion, Harriet Rutherford made a large two layer white fruit cake. Chances were sold and eighty-four dollars was realized from this venture.

Peace brought many changes. People moved in and out of our communities, but this club survived and kept going.

In 1921, Washington County had its first county agent and our alert members invited him or his fellow field workers from the University of Minnesota to many meetings. From that time until the present day, the Priscillas have been partners with the extension department to better conditions of home, farm and community.

Approximately three years after these ventures, there were many more changes in the Twin Lakes area than in the Rutherford neighborhood. The newcomers to that part of our county who replaced the old timers felt the need of their own club. As a result there was a gradual recession of those members.

Undaunted the Priscilla Club forged on, taking in daughters and daughters-in-law of original members and also gladly welcomed the new people who came to live in the Rutherford district. Even today this is our club's policy.

To commemorate our fifty years of useful, cultural, and companionable existence, we, the Priscillas, in 1963 have endeavored to depict our history by making a quilt to rest in the archives of Washington County, the Historical Museum in Stillwater.

PRISCILLA CLUB HISTORY – continued

The Quilt

In this quilt we hope you can read some of our history. Around the Priscilla are ten project blocks. Each block was made by a member who generously offered to do her part in her own way to tell the story of the past fifty years of this club's history.

The Ten Blocks

One block depicts our original potluck meetings and also our annual picnics. The annual picnic is held usually in July for all the folks in each household of each member, also for special friends, together with former members.

Another tells we have generously supported many local projects: needy families, youth organizations, city rest room, and community chest. Then, too, we have contributed to many state and national funds.

Of course, we had to tell about the wedding showers given at first for the daughters. Later we gave the sons this same consideration.

The Priscillas have been generous contributors to the Sister Kenny Project each year, by sewing, making cookies, and also making or contributing to the toy fund. This part of our history, we hope, is shown by a simple appliqué picture of that worthy lady.

Our many years of service under the guidance of the extension workers from the University is simply marked "Homemakers".

The piles of pajamas sewed for the Red Cross, during the first World War, along with the dozens of knitted sweaters and socks are not shown but instead a Red Cross nurse knitting is our way of telling that phase of our history.

You do not have to guess what the block with the red barn tells, but to make sure, this dance was our most pretentious project for the benefit of the Red Cross during the First World war.

Our anniversary party for each member as she reached one of the five year milestones is told in the block with the picture of a bride and groom surrounded by some accessories which make each wedding a memorable occasion.

Each year during the Christmas season we have had a Christmas party for the young folks in our community. The beautiful Christmas candle lights this block "Christmas Parties".

During the first World War we went along with the then prevalent procedure and adopted a French Orphan. You can see this part of our history when you find the little French girl holding up the French flag, framed with the national flower of France.

These ten main blocks are surrounded by the name blocks. Down thru the years we have welcomed and cherished one hundred and sixteen members and profited from the individuality and inspiration given our club. Most of the blocks display names denoting original members and their descendants or relatives. Others may signify the people who lived on or near a certain farm. Others are just names of friends. Just above Priscilla is the name of the grandmother, who named our club, and her family. Below Priscilla you will find the only four generation family block. We display it with pride.

As our descendants, or others, view and perhaps study this quilt as the years roll by, many of our present members may be resting in the peaceful little plot donated by one of the first settlers in the Rutherford district. It is at such times that we wish to remind you that it was at one of our Priscilla meetings where the idea of perpetual care for this plot was accidentally born.

May God bless and perpetuate the loving community spirit exemplified by the members of the Priscilla Club.

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Our Priscilla Club Ladies in 1920

Unfortunately not all ladies are identified,
Mrs. A.E.Beecroft 3rd from left front row
Mrs. Leonard Everman, 3rd from right, front row
Mrs. Edward Hanson, 4th from left, middle row
Mrs. Albion Larson, 2nd from right middle row
Mrs. Pearl Holmer, 2nd from left, back row
Mrs. Elmore Brosious, 2nd from right, back row



RCA By-Laws of the Rutherford Cemetery Association
showing proposed changes to be voted on at the Annual Meeting, April 9, 2013

ARTICLE I

Section 1: The name of the association shall be Rutherford Cemetery Association.

Section 2: The purposes are:

- a. To procure and hold or sell lots exclusively for the purposes of a public cemetery.
- b. To manage all real or personal property, necessary or proper for the establishment, embellishment, care, and management of a cemetery.
- c. To sell and convey cemetery lots in the manner provided by law, and convey real and personal property lawfully acquired by the Association, but not needed for cemetery purposes.
- d. Upon adoption of these by-laws a permanent care fund will be established.

Section 3: The Board of Directors of said Association shall consist of President, Vice-president, Lot Sales Person, Secretary, Treasurer, and seven (7) Trustees.

Section 4: Members of said Association shall consist of lot owners and their respective families.

Section 5: All members present at Annual meetings are eligible to vote for elections and by-laws.

Section 6: The Annual meeting of said Association is to be held in April. Time, place, and purpose of meeting is to be distributed to all members in a timely manner.

Section 7: Election:

- a. Quorum. Nine (9) members shall be required for a quorum at the annual meeting of members of said Association.
- b. Vote required. A plurality vote shall be required to carry an election. A simple majority of votes cast shall be required to carry a motion.
- c. Election shall be by ballot when there is more than one nominee for office.
- d. Term of office shall be three (3) years.
- e. Officers shall be elected at the Annual meeting.
- f. The President and Vice-President shall not be eligible for re-election immediately following a three (3) year term. The outgoing President shall automatically become the seventh (7) Trustee for a three (3) year term.
- g. The Secretary and the Treasurer shall be eligible for re-election immediately following a three (3) year term.
- h. Trustee election. At each Annual meeting there shall be two (2) Trustees elected.
- i. No Trustee, President, or Vice-President, after serving for a period of three (3) years by election, or who has served or filled out one and one-half (1½) years or more of an unexpired term, shall be re-elected to the same office until one (1) year has elapsed.

Section 8: Vacancies, which may occur by resignation or other causes, shall be filled by the Board of Directors.

Section 9: Power to change By-Laws: The By-Laws, or any part of them may be changed by amendment or repeal, and adoption of new Articles at any Annual meeting thereof, providing notice of such amendment, repeal, or adoption had been stated in the published notice of Annual meeting in the RCA Newsletter Stillwater Gazette paper.

ARTICLE II

Section 1: The President shall:

- a. Preside at all meetings of members and at all meetings of the Board of Directors.
- b. Appoint all committees and be a member ex-officio of all committees.
- c. Call all special meetings.
- d. Prepare an agenda for each meeting.
- e. Perform all other duties pertaining to this office.

Section 2: The Vice-President shall perform the duties of the president in the absence of the president.

- a. Vice-President is chairperson of the Grounds and Improvement committee and shall appoint at least two (2) members to serve on the committee.

Section 3: The Secretary shall:

- a. Keep a correct record of all meetings and all board meetings of the Association.
- b. Prepare all notices of annual or special meetings for distribution as appropriate.
- c. Mail notice of Annual meeting to all members.
- d. Keep record of all burial and cremation permits.
- e. Perform all other duties pertaining to this office.

Section 4: Treasurer shall:

- a. Receive all money of said Association.
- b. Keep an accurate record of receipts and expenditures.
- c. Pay all bills approved by the Board of Directors
- d. Shall preserve and file all papers relating to the financial affairs of said Association.
- e. Make a full report of amount and location and status of Permanent Care Fund, receipts and expenditures of Operating Fund for current year, and where and how it is kept.
- f. Have record open for inspection at all times.
- g. Perform any other duties in the interest of said Association which belong to this office.

Section 5: Board of Directors

- a. Meet at President's call to meetings.
- b. Meet at least two (2) weeks before the Annual meeting.
- c. Act as nominating committee and prepare a slate of nominees for all vacancies occurring at Annual meetings.
- d. Secure an outside-accredited accountant to audit the Treasurer's books the terminating year of the Treasurer's term of office, prior to Board meeting.
- e. Authorize investment of Permanent Care Fund.
- f. Authorize and secure gravediggers, and establish the cost of grave-digging each year.
- g. Designate the bank location of Operating Fund.
- h. Preserve and protect the Permanent Care Fund in its perpetuity.
- i. Quorum of the Board shall be six (6).
- j. Appoint Lot Salesman.

Section 6: Ground & Improvement Committee: Shall consist of at least three (3) members including the Vice-President.

- a. Shall make survey of desired improvement for Annual Clean-up Day(s).
- b. See that materials, such as sod, seed, and other materials and equipment are on hand to execute a desired project.
- c. Make certain grave sites are sodded within reasonable length of time after burials.
- d. Supervise any landscaping.
- e. Supervise any removal of trees.
- f. Supervise any erection or markers of monuments.

Section 7: Lot Salesman

- a. Shall keep accurate record of all past and present burial sites.
- b. Shall keep accurate map of cemetery and records that pertain to it.
- c. Meet with perspective buyers as needed.
- d. After purchase, locate and record on map. Make a deed and mail to client. Get payment to treasurer.
- e. When contacted by funeral home of a death, locate grave space and mark it for the burial.
- f. Contact gravedigger and make arrangements for the grave opening if it is a regular burial. If cremation, arrange for someone to do the opening.
- g. On day of burial for cremation, lay out green carpet over the opening. Wait at cemetery until family leaves and urn is turned over to the cemetery. Cover opening and place flowers on grave.

Honoring our Veterans

We are honored that Rutherford Cemetery is the resting place for veterans dating from the Civil War and we want to make sure all veterans are acknowledged. Please let us know if you have any updated information.

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CIVIL WAR

Fairbanks, Joseph N.	CO D 28 ME INF & metal star
Hall, Watson W.	GAR -- Co. E. 113 ILL. INF
Keene, John M.	CO C 16th Maine Vol.
Powell, Stephen W.	GAR MN 24th INF 1861-1865
Ramsden, Thomas P.	CO B 11 MN INF
Rutherford, Wm. H.	CO K 13th Reg MN Vol. (Soldier Rest) (in WWI and WWII)

SPANISH AMERICAN

Masterman, Joseph	Cpt.
Rutherford, Wm. H.	CO K 13th MN INF (in WWI and WWII)

WORLD WAR I

Beecroft, Albert	MN PFC Signal Corps
Ramsden, Charles J.	
Seifert, Frank L.	MN Sgt 161 Depot Brigade WWI - & metal star that says WWI US 1917-1918

WORLD WAR II

Benson, Ronald	US Army
Brosious, James E.	US ARMY
Brosious, William	US Army
Chizek, Shirley	6/14/1944-6/18/1946 U. S. Navy -PHM 2 c
Collins, Robert C.	WWII
Gimmestad, Richard A.	US NAVY
Grund, Robert	US NAVY
Guse, Reinhold (Reiny)	US Army (Europe)
Guse, Wm.	Tech 4 US ARMY
Jordan, Robert	US NAVY
Kruger, Fred	US Navy, Seabee
Marshall, Warren	US NAVY
Masterman, Royal James	US NAVY
Michaletz, Raymond H.	Seabee
Peterson, David LeRoy	AVCAD US NAVY
Schilling, Clinton John	PFC US ARMY
Schoonover, Charles	MN SF 2 USNR
Stone, George D	US COAST GUARD
Stone, Ronald S.	Navy Seal
Van Duren, Arthur Dale	Army Air Corps - WWII

MERCHANT MARINE

Carlson, Dale	Served 1944-1946
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KOREAN WAR

Brosious, William	US Army
Kruger, Roland	US Army
Maley, Ron	
Speltz, Donald	US Army
Wilfer, Bob	US Army -- Korean War 1952-1954

VIETNAM WAR

Colombo, Barrett Lorne	served as a captain in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War from 1968-1972
Michaletz, Raymond A.	US Army
Welke, Harold "Skip"	US Navy

OTHER VETERANS

Haire, Gerald	US Navy 1958-1961
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Current Veteran Members

Benson, Darryl	
Christison, Dean A.	veteran of the Korean War: 1957 – 1959 – US Army
Dahler, Jodi	UA Air Force
Johnson, Ronald	US Navy
Kotoski, Avis	Veteran of the Coast Guard
Kotoski, Edward Jr.	Veteran of the Coast Guard
Ramsden, Bruce A.	USAF 1959-1963 A1C



Veteran markers

We have been informed by Veteran Services that they no longer hand out the metal memorial flag holders without a copy of the discharge papers.

As Veteran burials occur, we will request the family to provide discharge papers in order for us to obtain a flag holder, but if the family doesn't provide the documents, it will be their responsibility to get one for the grave site if they so wish.

And remember, if you are considering pre-planning a funeral, and are a veteran, include an appropriate emblem in the headstone or niche. Ron can provide more information.

Rules Of The Rutherford Cemetery Association

1. All graves must be ground level.
2. All headstones must be level with the ground.
3. Monuments are no longer allowed on the old cemetery area. A family marker or monument, if used in the new cemetery area, is to be placed on the east end of the family lot with a ground level footing of light material extending a minimum of four inches beyond the marker on all sides.
4. A head stone or marker must be placed within twelve months after burial. A lot must be paid in full before a head stone or marker is placed.
5. All headstone bases shall be predrilled to accommodate urn stands. All urn stands must be placed in predrilled holes or adjacent to the head stone.
6. In case of vandalism, damage caused by the elements, common enemy, thieves, malicious mischief makers, explosions, invasion, insurrections, riots, etc. in Rutherford Cemetery, lot owners or their descendant shall be responsible for any damage incurred. If a lot owner is deceased and there are not direct descendants, Rutherford Cemetery Association will attempt to repair the damage.
7. Casket burial vaults shall be required in Rutherford Cemetery. They must be made of cement or a material approved by the cemetery association.
8. Two overburials of cremains in approved caskets or three urns will be allowed on an existing grave. No more than two cremain caskets or three urns will be allowed per burial lot. The top of said container(s) shall be no less than 18 inches from ground surface.
9. Burial prices: refer to Lot Salesman for current rates
10. Rutherford Cemetery will assess a \$15.00 transfer fee if a person sells (or gives) a lot to another person.
11. Twenty five percent (25%) of this amount is designated to the permanent care fund.
12. No artificial flowers nor flowers or plants are to be planted on the graves. The cemetery grounds committee reserves the right to remove any tree, shrub, vine, plant, flower, or any other object which may become unsightly, dangerous, or not in keeping with the landscape design of the cemetery. This also includes the placing of vases or other containers for flowers at ground level.
13. Annual salaries to be paid are:
 - Lot Salesperson \$200.00
 - Treasurer \$200.00
 - Secretary \$200.00
14. A fall meeting of the Board shall be held at the discretion of the President.
15. Definitions:
 - A family marker or monument is a stone designating a family lot of four contiguous lots.
 - A monument is a stone no greater than 26 inches high from the top of the cement base (which is to be at ground level) that can be used either as a family lot marker or a headstone.
 - A marker is a stone of three feet wide and no greater than 26 inches high from the top of the cement base (which is to be at ground level) that can be used either as a family lot marker or headstone.
 - A headstone is flush with the ground and will designate an individual lot but may contain multiple names.



A reminder to all members regarding grave markers or monuments.

- Any marker or monument must have prior approval from the Ground and Improvement Committee before proceeding.
- Any marker or monument must comply with the current specifications as laid down by the current Board.

Contact Ron Johnson if you have questions.

In Closing....

Each of us has an opportunity to serve our association, to create a cemetery that helps to heal our losses, to celebrate life and to preserve our heritage.

If you are interested in taking a more active part in the Rutherford Cemetery Association, please contact any one of the board members listed below or email us at:

RutherfordCemeteryAssociation@hotmail.com

*Remember that all donations, whatever the amount, are crucial to the upkeep of the cemetery and we are truly grateful to everyone who is able to contribute in any way.
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Committees

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