

LENAPE CEMETERY

This cemetery, formerly known as the Busby Cemetery, was moved from the Caney River bottom land which is presently flooded by the waters of the Copan Lake. The United States Government purchased this land for the cemetery and deeded it over to the Busby Cemetery Committee. Since this committee has since dissolved, it was deeded to the Delaware Tribal Council. The Delaware Tribal Council now has complete authority for the supervision, maintenance, and interment responsibilities for this cemetery. Thus, the following rules and regulations have been formulated and will apply from the day the deed was recorded in the Washington County Court House.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

- I. Only Delaware Indians whose names appear on the Delaware Roll and members of their immediate family may be buried on these grounds.
 - A. The only exception to this rule is: any descendant of the persons already buried there may also be buried if they so desire at no cost for the plot. This is in accordance with the United States Government mandate upon condemnation of the original Busby Cemetery.

II. Cost for grave sites:

This will be determined by a majority vote of the committee on an individual case basis upon request for burial.

III. Cost of Grave Openings:

This will apply to all and will be charged the current standard rate and must be paid in advance at the Delaware Center.

IV. Grave Openings:

Persons responsible for grave openings will be designated by the Cemetery Committee.

V. Burial Vaults:

Vaults are optional and will be determined by the person making arrangements.

VI. Grave Markers:

A. Markers will be the type that sets flush with the surface. No foot markers will be allowed.

B. All markers will be purchased from company designated by the Cemetery Committee.

VII. Decorations:

A. Flowers (real or imitation) deposited on graves at the time of burial may be left for one week, after which time they are subject to be picked up as trash.

B. Wreaths, flowers, etc. placed on graves during the Memorial Day Holidays may be left for one week, after which time they are subject to be picked up as trash.

VIII. Location of Graves:

The deceased or the decedent's family will not have a choice of plots, unless they receive special dispensation by the Cemetery Committee.

Under this rule, all grave openings will be done next in line with the previous one.

IX. Cemetery Maintenance:

All maintenance of the cemetery is the responsibility of the Lenape Cemetery Committee.

NOTE: Any burial that does not receive a flush mounted headstone within a reasonable time, a cement building block will be placed at the head of the grave to mark the location.

NOTE: All burial information will be recorded on the original Cemetery Plot Plans, which is kept at the Delaware Center. This information will be acquired when burial request is made.