### **Walling Church and Cemetery Property Association**

IRS Non-profit 501c3(13) tax exempt Organization
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### **CEMETERY POLICY**—for all burials *including cremated remains*

# Any action regarding the Cemetery requires contact with the Cemetery Office.

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A Trustee will explain procedures in detail and guide the process—which applies to all, including cremation, burials in new or pre-assigned burial plots and/or family grave sites.

<u>OBTAIN BURIAL PLOT</u>: An applicant must have family (spouse, child, grandchild, parent, grandparent, sibling) who is buried in the Cemetery or has an assigned burial plot. All burial plots assigned are the same size for traditional casket burials and cremation burials.

<u>OBTAIN REQUIRED BURIAL APPROVAL</u> to verify burial eligibility and burial plot accuracy. The approval is required for new or pre-assigned plots/pre-installed vaults for individual burial plots or those in a family grave site. The burial service provider/funeral home must have the approval before plot preparation work begins.

<u>OBTAIN WORK APPROVAL</u> for work to burial plots including installation of monuments, borders, rocks, and large heavy items such as benches. The approval applies to work by professional burial monument services or by an individual Do-It-Yourself project. The burial provider service must have the approval before work begins.

- A. A burial maintenance fee is required for each burial, including cremations, in new or preassigned plots and/or in existing family grave sites.
- B. All burial containers, including cremations, must be placed in a sealed outer vault and be buried 6 feet deep.
- C. A professional burial service must prepare (open/close) the burial plot, including cremations. No person may dig anywhere in the Cemetery for any purpose.
- D. A licensed mortuary must prepare remains for burial/cremation.
- E. A professional service provider (funeral home) must manage the burial, including cremations. The Association does not directly engage in burials and does not provide assistance or advice regarding burial law.

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MARK BURIAL PLOTS: Mark all burial plots with markers at least 16-24 inches long with first and last name - buried about 4 inches level with the top of the ground for mowing.

- A. Mark a single burial plot at the top and bottom.
- B. Mark a grave site (multiple graves) every 6 feet on all sides unless surrounded with a solid border.
- C. Within one year after a burial, install a headstone that includes full first and last name and full birth and death dates.

### BURIAL PLOT MAINTENANCE: Keep Cemetery clean and safe.

- A. Remove old ragged flowers and trash from the grounds.
- B. Secure flowers with heavy non-breakable containers or other means.
- B. Small breakable containers, novelties, or solar lights are not permitted because they tend to fall, break, blow, and scatter on grounds which creates clutter, nuisance, and safety hazards, and impedes mowing
- C. Fences, plastic edgings, stones, gravel, or any type mulches are not permitted.
- D. Benches /large objects must be contained within the assigned burial plot area.

<u>Your contributions</u> are vital for Cemetery maintenance, repair, and improvement. <u>Each person</u> who benefits from the Cemetery is obligated to contribute. <u>Every contribution counts— DO your part and HELP!!</u>

Make your check payable to "Walling Church Fund" - if you wish to contribute to the <u>Walling Building Fund</u>, make a note on your check.

**RESTORATION:** We have many requests to use facilities for funerals and various social gatherings—but must turn them down until the chapel and restrooms are restored. This requires 1) new insulated ceilings/walls, 2) doors, 3) restroom fixtures, 4) HVAC and more. If you would like to support one or more of these needs, contact the Cemetery Office and we will certainly work with you.

Our facilities await your contributions!!!! Let's get busy!!!

#### PAY ATTENTION to THIS ISSUE

<u>The ORIGINAL "Old" Cemetery Section</u> contains several areas of empty space without markers or, if marked, the small concrete markings of the past are either covered with grass or weathered and unreadable.

People <u>have requested plots in these spaces</u>, but we can't assign them until we are fully certain they are not already assigned.

- We can't take the risk that someone will come later and claim that space was previously assigned to them.
- We know this because it has happened in the past.
- If not assigned, the space is wasted.

WE MUST GET THESE SPACES adequately marked. On the flip side of this page, find procedures for marking burial/grave sites.

<u>If you believe your family has burial space in the Original section, call</u> the Cemetery Office to arrange an appointment with a Trustee to verify burial space and adequately and mark it.

Cemetery Office: 850-382-9955

- We will help you with markers.
- We will help you with transportation.
- We will provide information if you have questions.
- After July 30, 2023, we will begin to assign all available space in the Original section.

If your gravesite is marked by borders/rocks, you don't need to call.

The <u>Walling Church and Cemetery Property Association</u> operates under the IRS non-profit status for Community Cemeteries (501c3 (13). The Association PUR-POSE is to manage burial grounds and burial plots and to maintain and improve property in good condition for use when needed. The Association Board of Trustees manages the burial grounds, facilities, and business. Serving as Trustees: Rebecca Jones, Tony Hendrix, Donna Bullock, Aleta Floyd, Linda Hendrix, Myrl Washaliski.

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Text Preferred

Mail Address: 2727 Walling Rd., Milton, FL 32570

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