# THE LITCHFIELD PLAINS CEMETERY ASSOCIATION

## **ARTICLES**

## Articles to be attached to all future Interment Rights:

## Article I

The Association shall be called The Litchfield Plains Cemetery Association and shall consist of owners of lots and interment rights in the Litchfield Plains Cemetery.

## Article II

The Annual Meeting of the Association shall be held at the Association's office in October at a date and time to be determined. A spring meeting of the Directors may be called to take care of the business of the cemetery. Members interested in attending either meeting can contact the President to get meeting date and time.

#### Article XI

All vacancies in office may be filled by the Board of Directors.

#### Article XII

All work of any kind whatsoever, done in the cemetery must be by permission of the Board of Directors and under the supervision of the Superintendent. No stone or monument shall be erected in the cemetery unless a foundation for the same shall be laid, which shall be at least four feet below the surface of the ground.

## **Article XIII**

All one and two grave lots shall be limited to flat stones or metal markers. All stones and metal markers shall be located at and facing the nearest avenue.

## **Article XIV**

If any trees and shrubs situated on any lot, shall by their roots or branches become detrimental to the adjacent lots or avenues or inconvenient for passage of vehicles or injurious to any stone or monument, they shall be removed or trimmed by the owner or owners within thirty (30) days of notification by the Secretary of the Litchfield Plains Cemetery Association. If there is failure to do so, the Board of Directors have the right to enter said lot and trim or remove trees or shrubs or parts of the same as they may determine to be in the best interest of all concerned. This type of work is not covered by perpetual care and when done by the Litchfield Plains Cemetery, the owner or owners of the lot may be billed for the labor. A copy of the notification will be kept by the Secretary of the Litchfield Plains Cemetery Association until notified by the Superintendent that the work has been completed. In all future improvements, no trees may be planted on any lot. Only the Litchfield Plains Cemetery Association has the authority to plant trees in the cemetery. Before planting any shrub on any lot, the location and type of shrub shall be approved by the Superintendent of the cemetery. All shrubs shall be kept trimmed so that they will have their tops level with the stone or monument and their branches trimmed to keep them compact. On one (1) and two (2) grave lots, no shrubs will be permitted.

#### Article XV

All persons that are guilty of indecorous conduct within the cemetery grounds shall be removed therefrom, and any persons who maliciously or willfully injure, remove or disfigure a monument, grave, flowers, memorial, or token of affection, is guilty of a class "D" crime.

#### Article XVI

No cemetery lot or part thereof shall be enclosed by a fence or curbing.

## **Article XVII**

No pets may be buried in the Litchfield Plains Cemetery.

#### Article XVIII

**PERPETUAL CARE** Since perpetual care has not been defined in any By-law of the Litchfield Plains Cemetery Association, it is now defined under this article and is retroactive to cover all perpetual care.

## **Defined as follows:**

- 1. To keep the grass mowed and trimmed on lots and around stones and monuments.
- 2. If a grave sinks, it will be filled and seeded, fertilized and watered, regardless of the number of times this has to be done.
- 3. To keep all stones that are placed flat on the ground or level with the surface of the ground, including corner markers, free from encroachment of grass or other types of weeds from covering the face of the stone. If necessary, the stone to be reset level with the ground.
- 4. To keep any standing stone or monument in as good a condition as possible. All stones or monuments that need to be reset are the responsibility of the owner or owners of the lot.
- 5. At the discretion of the Superintendent or the request of the lot owner or owners, or in any case where it is brought to the attention of the Superintendent or any member of the Board of Directors, the above work will be performed.
- 6. All disputes are to be settled by a special committee appointed by the President at the annual meeting or when necessary. Final appeal may be made to the full Board of Directors, called by the President to a special meeting for this purpose, by the Superintendent or owner or owners of lots.

#### Article XX

#### Article XXI

No more that one (1) traditional and one (1) cremains or two (2) cremains may be buried in a single grave.