**TEMECULA PUBLIC CEMETERY DISTRICT**

**POLICY TITLE:** Flower Policy

**POLICY NUMBER:**  5070

5070.1 The placement of flowers on the graves of our loved ones is a time-honored tradition and an expression of love and remembrance for those who have passed from this life.

5070.2 Fresh-cut flowers are welcomed and appreciated in the Temecula Public Cemetery; however, artificial flowers, treated blossoms and everlasting flowers may not be placed in this Cemetery. Artificial and treated floral tributes soon become dirty and worn, giving an impression of neglect, instead of remembrance. They can also cause problems with the care and maintenance of the cemetery grounds.

5070.3 Please follow the standards set by the Temecula Public Cemetery Board of Trustees:

1. No artificial wreaths and flowers or dried natural flowers are permitted.
2. No helium or mylar balloons or metal stick objects may be placed or remain on the grounds or be let go into the air. (State Ordinance SB 1990)

C. No placement of sand, gravel, rocks, glass containers, candles, ammunition, firearms, metal or glass solar lights, casting plaster, cement, wax, or metal of any kind is permitted to be placed into any vases, jars, cans, or flower containers due to the hazards they pose to our groundskeepers and mowing equipment.

5070.4 Every reasonable effort is made by the Temecula Public Cemetery to care for flowers and containers placed on the graves, however, neither the Cemetery District, nor its employees are responsible for anything of a movable nature that is damaged, lost, stolen, or misplaced.

5070.5 Mowing and the removal of flowers takes place every Thursday, weather permitted.

5070.6 Flowers will be removed and held on a receiving shelf until the following mow day for your retrieval, they will be discarded the morning of the following mow day.

5070.7 Christmas-- Flowers placed during Christmas will remain on the gravesite until January 6th, at that time they will be moved to the holding shelf for you to retrieve prior to the first mow day that week.

All memorabilia will be held for two weeks following January 6th.

5070.8 The Temecula Public Cemetery District respectfully insists on your observance of these regulations. Should you have any concerns regarding these or other issues, you may address them to the Cemetery Manager.