

# ROSELAWN READER

Keeping in touch with friends of Roselawn Cemetery.

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## MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND 2025

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE  
10AM, MONDAY, MAY 26TH  
SOLDIERS' REST ~ VETERANS MEMORIAL

- Grab your lawn chairs and join us for the Memorial Day Service of Remembrance at Roselawn Cemetery ~ Soldiers' Rest Veterans Memorial. If the weather is inclement, the service will be moved to the Historic Roselawn Chapel.
- Join us for the 4th Annual \$5.00 Picnic Lunch (Hot Dog, Chips, & Beverage). 11am-2pm Saturday, Sunday & Monday of Memorial Day Weekend on the newly restored patio of the Historic Roselawn Chapel & Gathering Room. All proceeds go to the Roselawn Heritage Foundation.
- Fresh Floral Memorial Day bouquets can be pre-ordered using the order form on page 3.
- Live Organ & Vocalist Music in the Roselawn Chapel 11am-2pm Saturday, Sunday & Monday
- Cookies, Coffee & Lemonade in the Gathering Room 11am-2pm Saturday, Sunday & Monday

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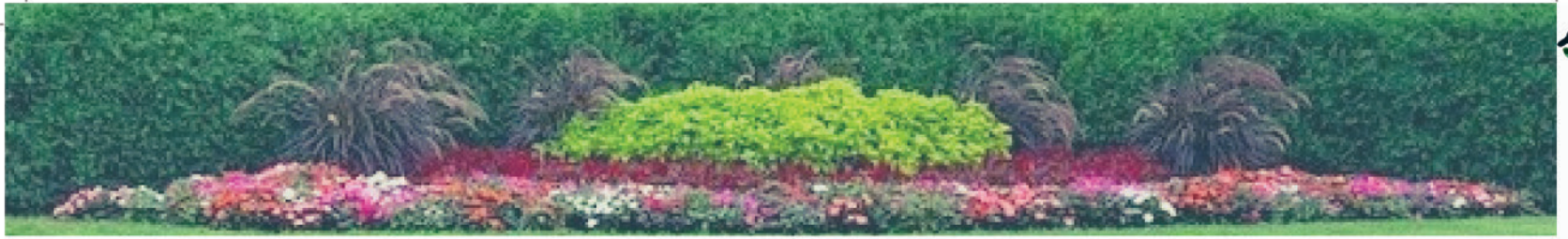
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## CEMETERY GROUNDS Questions & Answers

### When will the final date for my loved one be engraved?

The engraver that handles the engraving of final dates at Roselawn Cemetery typically has a cut-off date of October 1st of each year. This means that engraving orders that aren't approved by October 1st, will not be engraved until warmer weather returns. Our goal is that all orders approved between October 1st and April 1st are engraved by Memorial Day.

### I placed a full-sized Christmas tree at my loved one's grave, why was it removed?

As a kind reminder, fresh holiday wreaths and spruce tops are welcome between November 1st and February 1st of each year. Items can be removed by cemetery staff as early as February 2nd, **or sooner if near a service site after January 1st.** Artificial ornaments and full-size Christmas trees are not allowed. At the time of this newsletter, 30,726 interments have taken place at Roselawn Cemetery. Imagine the insurmountable task and expense the non-profit cemetery would incur if its staff had to remove and dispose of even a fraction of that number of full-size Christmas trees. Please refer to the cemetery Rules & Regulations. Fees may be assessed going forward for failure to comply with the winter decoration policy.

### During which months can I use the in-ground vase at my loved one's grave?

All vases must be turned down into the ground between October 1st and May 1st. This lessens the likelihood of them being damaged during fall and spring clean-up and while accessing winter burials. Any vases damaged during the winter season will not be replaced at the cemetery's expense. We ask that everyone be mindful of this to reduce replacement expenses for the interment right owner and related damaged equipment expenses for the cemetery.

### When will the graves of winter burials be covered with grass again?

Gravesite reparations for in-ground burials will be made per the schedule designed by the cemetery superintendent. If ground thawing was not needed to prepare the site for interment, every effort is made to replace the original sod once the burial is complete. When ground thawing measures need to be taken, grave reparations will occur when weather conditions support optimal growth using measures deemed appropriate by the grounds superintendent.

### Why does the grass sometimes look brown during the summer months?

As with most cemeteries, the majority of Roselawn is not irrigated, leaving the grass subject to the effects of current weather conditions. Grass may go through phases of dormancy and will be addressed at the discretion of the cemetery management.

### How do I submit a work order if I need something addressed at my loved one's grave?

Work orders can be placed by stopping in or calling the cemetery office, or online through the "contact us" link. Work orders are addressed in the order they are received and by the type of work order. Because fees aren't assessed for work orders, we ask for patience and understanding. You can also request a callback when the work is done.

We can learn and understand better together through dialogue and effective communication. Please feel free to submit any questions you have to [info@roselawncemetery.com](mailto:info@roselawncemetery.com). We hope you've found this information to be helpful!



## 2025 MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER BOUQUET SALE ~ DEADLINE: MAY 2, 2025

CUSTOMER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ PLEASE TEXT A PHOTO

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

BURIAL SPACE OF: \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION: \_\_\_\_\_ LOT: \_\_\_\_\_ GRAVE: \_\_\_\_\_

\$25.00 BOUQUET INCLUDES: 1 FRESH SPRING FLORAL BOUQUET, PLACEMENT IN AN EXISTING PERMANENT VASE OR TEMPORARY VASE AT DESIGNATED GRAVESITE & ASSOCIATED TAX.

PURCHASES MADE FOR NICHE FLOWERS MUST HAVE A NICHE VASE.

WE WILL TEXT A PHOTO OF THE PLACED ARRANGEMENT AT YOUR REQUEST IF YOU CHECK THE BOX ABOVE, NEXT TO A TEXT MESSAGE RECEIVING PHONE NUMBER. STANDARD TEXT MESSAGING FEES THROUGH YOUR CARRIER MAY APPLY.



## 2025 MEMORIAL DAY FLOWER BOUQUET SALE ~ DEADLINE: MAY 16, 2025

CUSTOMER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ PLEASE TEXT A PHOTO

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

BURIAL SPACE OF: \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION: \_\_\_\_\_ LOT: \_\_\_\_\_ GRAVE: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2025 FATHER'S DAY FLOWER BOUQUET SALE ~ DEADLINE: JUNE 6, 2025

CUSTOMER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ PLEASE TEXT A PHOTO

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

BURIAL SPACE OF: \_\_\_\_\_ DIVISION: \_\_\_\_\_ LOT: \_\_\_\_\_ GRAVE: \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2024 RESTORATION RE-CAP

We are pleased to announce the Historic Roselawn Chapel restoration is complete and the chapel and gathering room are once again available for use. There are some small interior finishing touches and a few more exterior plans to be wrapped up, but nothing that will interfere with the use of the interior space.

A quick summary of Phase Two... The chapel pews were removed and taken off-site to be refinished; this allowed for the chapel floor to be completely rebuilt. The wall coverings were removed so the walls could be repaired and painted with a special paint that is designed for limestone buildings. Except for the ceiling, all the remaining woodwork in the chapel was refinished and restored. Extensive research was done by the design team of Miller-Dunwiddie and the staff at Roselawn Cemetery to update the interior carpeting and finishes in a way that best reflects the original period design and color scheme.

Both restrooms received updates to better serve our guests with great consideration of the historic building and the needs of the guests we serve. The main entry wood floor was refinished and the gathering room carpet was replaced as well.

With the sanctuary restoration encompassing the bulk of the project, the repurposing and transition of the north storage area is a close second, with regard to the delicate handling of the details and plans. The area that once welcomed horse trailers transferring caskets has been transitioned into a prep kitchen for the visiting caterers to the Roselawn Gathering Room. A walkway has been built so caterers have direct access to the kitchen without having to bring their materials through the chapel entry and gathering room.

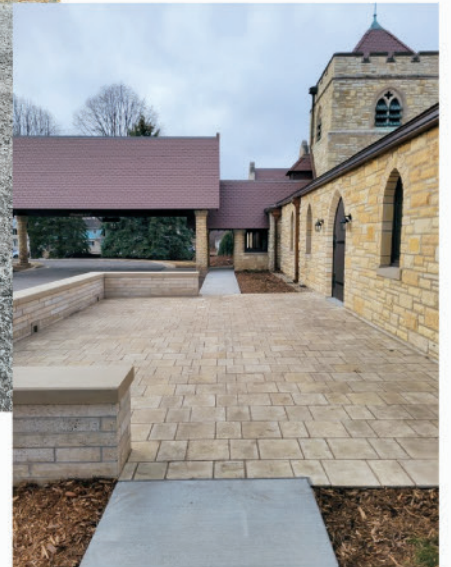
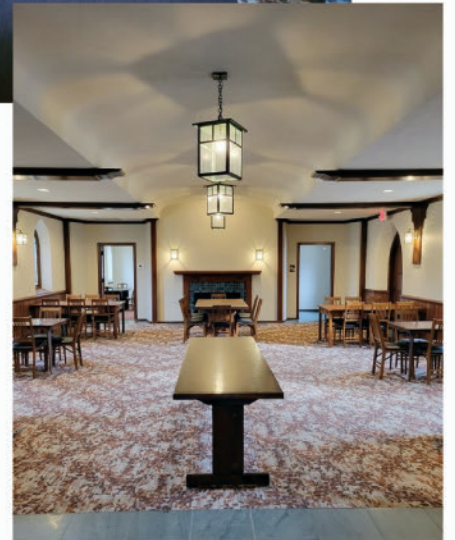
We are equally excited about the private multi-purpose space that has been created adjacent to the new kitchen area. This new space will be used for a variety of staff/guest meetings.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

Please pay attention to the signage at the cemetery in the coming months. When construction begins in the Administration Building, our offices will be temporarily moved to the Chapel Building until restoration is complete. We appreciate your attention to this important detail as we prepare and work through the next exciting phase at Roselawn Cemetery.

## PHASE THREE...

We are incredibly excited to begin the next phase at Roselawn Cemetery which entails interior restoration and rehabilitation of the Roselawn Administration/Office Building. We feel the most important part of this project is that the restrooms will be updated to reflect ADA standards. The current director's office will be turned into a private family consultation room so guests will no longer have to make arrangements in the lobby area. The existing breakroom space and carriage area will be transitioned into much-needed additional office, meeting, and staff areas. We expect this phase to be scheduled from April - December of 2025. We thank you in advance for your continued patience as we embark upon this exciting project!



# SUMMER 2025 FLOWER POT ORDER FORM

DEADLINE TO ORDER:  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 14TH



PLEASE REMIT THIS FORM AND A CHECK IN  
THE AMOUNT OF \$55.00/FLORAL POT  
(SALES TAX INCLUDED)

PAYABLE TO: ROSELAWN CEMETERY  
ADDRESS: 803 LARPENTEUR AVE. W.  
ROSEVILLE, MN 55113

CUSTOMER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

BURIAL SPACE OF: \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_ LOT \_\_\_\_\_ GRAVE(S) \_\_\_\_\_

BURIAL SPACE OF: \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_ LOT \_\_\_\_\_ GRAVE(S) \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL # OF FLOWER POTS: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$55.00/EA. = TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## SUMMER 2025 WATERING PROGRAM

MUST BE ENROLLED BY  
MAY 19TH TO RECEIVE  
FIRST WATERING SERVICE.



PLEASE REMIT THIS FORM AND A  
CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF  
\$75.00/POT OR  
\$150/SIDE OF MONUMENT  
PAYABLE TO: ROSELAWN CEMETERY  
ADDRESS: 803 LARPENTEUR AVE. W.  
ROSEVILLE, MN 55113

BURIAL SPACE OF: \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_ LOT \_\_\_\_\_ GRAVE(S) \_\_\_\_\_

BURIAL SPACE OF: \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION \_\_\_\_\_ LOT \_\_\_\_\_ GRAVE(S) \_\_\_\_\_

# OF FLOWER POTS TO WATER: \_\_\_\_\_ X \$75.00/EA. = TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# OF IN-GROUND WATERING (PER SIDE OF MONUMENT) \_\_\_\_\_ X \$150/SIDE = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# ROSELAWN HERITAGE FOUNDATION

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## UNRESTRICTED DONATION FORM

At Roselawn Cemetery, we are continuously working to maintain and beautify the cemetery grounds, its historical buildings, and creating interactive events for our client families and the members of the surrounding communities.

Your donation to the Roselawn Heritage Foundation in an unrestricted capacity allows us to direct the funds toward projects with the greatest priority.

Donor: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name M.I. Last Name

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Donation Amount

\_\_\_ \$ 25.00 \_\_\_ \$200.00

\_\_\_ \$ 50.00 \_\_\_ \$500.00

\_\_\_ \$ 100.00 \$ \_\_\_ Custom

If you wish to make a tax deductible donation to the Roselawn Heritage Foundation, simply complete this form and mail to:  
Roselawn Heritage Foundation ~ 803 W. Larpenteur Ave., Roseville, MN 55113

Your donation of \$1295.00 will allow Roselawn Heritage Foundation, a 501(c)(3), to plant a tree in a location of cemetery management discretion, keeping in mind the location of the burial site of your loved one(s). A "Memory Leaf" will be added to the Roselawn Tree Memorial Plaque in addition to the planting.

\_\_\_ Seedless Maple Tree (Variety)

\_\_\_ Tulip Tree

\_\_\_ Japanese Lilac

\_\_\_ Linden/Basswood

\_\_\_ American Yellowwood

\_\_\_ Flowering Fruitless Crab

\_\_\_ (Other)\*

\*Pre-approval from Grounds Superintendent required.  
Please call: 651-489-1720 (Paul Gale)

## ROSELAWN HERITAGE FOUNDATION TREE MEMORIAL PROGRAM

Donor: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name M.I. Last Name

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Memorial Leaf Engraving

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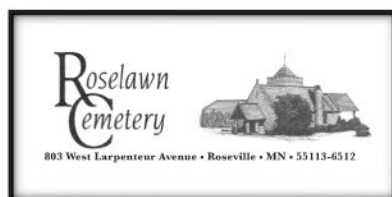
In Memory of

John A. Jones

1929 - 2024

The Johnson Family

Feb. 2. 2024



Each spring, the care team at Roselawn Cemetery orders the supplies needed to create the cemetery's traditional flower pots with 3 geraniums, 2 alyssum, and 1 spike plant. This has become a treasured option for our cemetery families that we feel honored to provide.

The plants are ordered to arrive in an immature stage so they have time to grow together into a beautiful arrangement as shown on the order form. It is important to understand before ordering, that it can take a couple of weeks for the flower pots to reach full floral potential. Each arrangement is carefully created with a soil mixture and a lightweight, but sturdy pot to ensure it does not exceed the 20-pound flower pot weight limit.

Please be mindful of the weight of your arrangements. All summer pots need to comply with the container composition and 20# or less weight restriction. This is an important regulation because our grounds team often moves dozens of pots back and forth each day while mowing and maintaining the grounds. Weight restrictions will be enforced.

Flower pots do not have to be ordered from the cemetery, but they do need to consist of fresh flowers or live plants. Artificial arrangements are not allowed per cemetery regulations. This year's flower pot deadline to order will be Wednesday, May 14th. Flower pots will be available as long as supplies last.

The summer watering service will be offered again this year. This service is for those who subscribe to it and runs from Memorial Day through August 31st of each summer season. The fee is assessed per flower pot and/or per in-ground planting area needing to be watered. The schedule by which flowers are watered depends on the weather and is determined by the grounds superintendent. We know how much this service has been appreciated, especially during the recent hot Minnesota summers, and hope to continue offering this program.