

Application for Purchase of a Lot in the Peacham Cemetery

I. Persons eligible to be interred

Persons who may be interred in the Town of Peacham cemetery are persons who own a gravesite and their parents, children, spouses, civil union partners, and siblings.

II. Persons who may purchase a grave site and cost of site

A. Residents of Peacham: Persons whose primary residence is Peacham may purchase a two grave lot for **\$1000**.

B. Non-residents who own property and pay property taxes in Peacham may purchase a two grave lot for **\$3000**.

C. Non-residents may purchase a two grave lot for **\$5,000**.

D. Any adult may purchase a one-person lot in the natural burial area for **\$500**.

E. Each lot described in sections II, A, B and C above can hold two bodies, one body and four cremains, or eight cremains.

III. Other Charges

A. All burial expenses are the responsibility of the purchaser or of the estate of the deceased.

B. The cost of a lot and any required corner markers must be paid at the time of the decision to purchase or within 14 days. If payment will be received after that, reconfirm the availability of the lot with the Sexton.

C. Following are the charges to be paid to the Town:

a. Full Burial \$1,000.

b. Burial of Cremains \$500.

c. Natural Burial – \$1,500, except \$1,700 when the ground is frozen; plank set up \$250; lowering device rental if needed \$250. Oversight of digging and back-filling if family is going to do that work is \$300; winter burial additional costs if needed: plowing \$250, salting and sanding \$250.

d. Cost of four corner markers for lots in sections II, A, B and C above, is current fair market value as determined by the Sexton. Corner marker installation \$200.

D. Charges for services, concrete vault, and monument costs, are determined between the family and the funeral home.

III. How Peacham's cemeteries are funded

Much of the Peacham cemeteries' maintenance and personnel costs are paid by taxpayers of Peacham according to the Town's budget each year. A portion of those costs are funded by purchases of burial lots, along with annual interest (never principal) earned from the Peacham

Cemetery Endowment for Perpetual Care. The Town may use interest income from the Endowment *only* for the maintenance, beautification, building, and repair of cemetery infrastructure. 18 V.S.A. § 5306. By law, the Endowment is perpetual.

Anyone who wishes to make a voluntary donation to the **Peacham Cemetery Endowment for Perpetual Care** may do so (in addition to the costs outlined above). Such a gift is recognized as a tax deductible charitable donation by state and federal law. The taxpayers of Peacham appreciate your support.

Thank you for your purchase.

PURCHASE OF LOT IN PEACHAM CEMETERY

Name of Purchaser(s) (Please print): _____

Resident of Peacham and eligible to vote? Yes/No

Pay property taxes in Peacham? Yes/No

Address of Purchaser: _____

Telephone of Purchaser: _____

Email or alternate contact: _____

Names of any others who intend
to use the purchased lot: _____

Cost of lot(s): _____

Cost of corner stones: _____

Optional Donation: _____

Total Due: _____

Cemetery Section and Lot number(s): _____

I/We agree to abide by the present and any future Cemetery Regulations and Policies

Signature(s): _____ Date: _____

_____ Date: _____

Please make checks payable to: **Town of Peacham** and return to **Peacham Town
Clerk/Treasurer, PO Box 244, Peacham VT 05862**

Note: Confirm availability of lot if full payment is not received by the Town Clerk within fourteen days
of signing this document.

To be completed by Town Clerk:

Check # or Credit Card verification: _____

Date: _____ Signed: _____