

## BLACKMAN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

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## PUBLIC NOTICE BLACKMAN CHARTER TOWNSHIP

Notice is hereby given that there will be a clean-up at Fifield Cemetery, located at 3585 Lansing Avenue, on SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2022 starting at 10:00am. During this time, we will be doing the following in preparation for Veteran Day:

1. Any grave displays considered to be damaged, "unsightly", or a source of litter that are left on October 8<sup>th</sup> will be subject to removal under the following chapter of the Township's Cemetery Ordinance:

Chapter 57 – Section 8-E: Ground Maintenance, "The Township Clerk shall have the right and authority to remove and dispose of any and all growth, emblems, displays or containers that, through decay, deterioration, damage or otherwise, become unsightly, a source of litter or a maintenance problem. The cemetery is not responsible for removed, stolen, or damaged decorations".

2. As of May 2022, Blackman Township has amended their cemetery ordinance to include "clean-off" dates. All decorations must be removed by October 1<sup>st</sup> – November 15<sup>th</sup> to assist in cleaning up the location. All decorations are subject to removal, or will be removed by the township, if left by October 8<sup>th</sup>, under the following rule:

Chapter 57 – Section 15-K: General Rules, "<u>ALL DECORATIONS</u> will be removed on March 1<sup>st</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup>. Decorations can be replaced starting April 15<sup>th</sup> and November 15<sup>th</sup>. All vases are to be inverted from October 1<sup>st</sup> – April 15<sup>th</sup>".

After Veteran's Day, the American flags placed on veteran's graves will be removed in preparation for snowfall. These flags are placed each year on Memorial Day and removed by Blackman Township after Veteran's Day to preserve the quality and appearance of their memorial.

If the public has any questions regarding Fifield Cemetery and its ordinances, please feel free to contact the Clerks Office at (517) 788-4345, extensions 8224 or 8228.

Shelly Sercombe, Township Clerk