



City of Flagstaff

Thursday, March 26, 2020

To whom it may concern:

RE: Updated Burial Procedures at the Citizen's Cemetery

Effective Monday, March 30, 2020, the City of Flagstaff Citizens Cemetery will be following the suggested operations of the Arizona Veteran Memorial Cemeteries by conducting only direct interments of caskets and cremation remains.

The mortuary will explain in detail what to expect regarding a direct interment, but to summarize, there is not a funeral service or graveside service before the casket or cremation remains are lowered or put into place. During a direct interment, the family and others may be located in their vehicles and approach the plot or cremation site only after the interment and City staff have relocated to a different space. The Cemetery is also following federal health guidelines with restrictions on the groups or gatherings at a gravesite or cremation location to ten (10) or less.

This decision was not taken lightly but was made to ensure the continued health and safety of our visitors and staff. The City of Flagstaff requires that all mortuaries not only follow these guidelines, but also communicates the guidelines to all clients.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly for any questions.

Sincerely,

Amy Hagin
Parks Manager
City of Flagstaff