

Town of Mineral, VA
Thursday, August 15, 2024

Chapter 166. Cemeteries

[HISTORY: Adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Mineral 7-10-2006 by Ord. No. 2006-04 (Ch. 6 of the 1982 Code). Amendments noted where applicable.]

§ 166-1. Where burial permitted.

It shall be unlawful for any person to bury the remains of any person within the corporate limits of the Town except in a duly established cemetery or other burial ground.

[1] *Editor's Note: For state law provisions see §§ 15.2-1121 and 57-22 et seq., Code of Virginia.*

§ 166-2. Spring Grove Memorial Cemetery Park.

The Town of Mineral owns and operates a cemetery outside the Town limits known as the "Spring Grove Memorial Cemetery Park." The Mayor or his designee is responsible for the operation thereof, including the sale of lots and the administration of the perpetual care fund associated therewith.

§ 166-3. Removal of trees or plantings from cemetery.

It shall be unlawful for any person to sell or offer for sale or to remove or attempt to remove any sound or living trees or plantings used to beautify the Town cemetery from a cemetery lot unless the removal of such trees or plantings shall be deemed necessary to open a grave site. However, the Town Council may authorize the sale, cutting and disposition of any trees, timber, or other growing products from the cemetery.

[1] *Editor's Note: Additional criminal penalties for trespassing at night in a cemetery and for vandalism to cemeteries and burial grounds are found in §§ 18.2-125 and 18.2-127, Code of Virginia, respectively. See also § 310-29C of this Code with respect to trespassing at night upon any cemetery.*

§ 166-4. Rules and regulations; violations and penalties.

The Cemetery Committee of the Town Council shall have the power to establish and promulgate rules and regulations not in conflict with the provisions of this Code or other ordinances of the Town relative to the cemetery. Such rules and regulations shall be subject to the approval of the Town Council. It shall be unlawful for any person to fail, neglect or refuse to comply with such rules and regulations so established, promulgated and approved. Any person convicted of a violation of this section shall be subject to a civil penalty of \$100.

[1] *Editor's Note: Amended at time of adoption of Code (see Ch. 1, General Provisions, Art. III).*