



FREETOWN CEMETERY COMMISSION

Town Hall, P. O. Box 438 Assonet, Massachusetts 02702

Frequently Asked Questions Assonet Burying Ground Veterans Section

Is there any cost associated with purchasing a grave?

No. As of January 5, 2015, graves in the Veterans Section are free to qualified applicants. Only the \$10.00 deed fee shall apply.

Is there a charge for opening the grave?

Yes. The Cemetery Commission only controls the prices of graves. Charges for vaults, opening graves, funeral home services, and all other matters are outside of our control.

Is there any cost associated with marking a grave?

Yes and no. Veterans who qualify for the Veterans Section will also qualify for a free headstone from the VA. However, spouses and children do not qualify for free headstones, and therefore the family would need to purchase a stone privately. Privately-purchased stones must match the VA stones in appearance and general content. No other shape, size, color, lettering, etc. are permitted.

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