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Bi-Annual East Hartford Cemetery Clean Up to Begin October 16

East Hartford, CT – The East Hartford Public Works Department would like to remind residents that all cemetery decorations and adornments must be removed from the cemeteries owned and operated by the Town of East Hartford by Wednesday, October 15, 2019, in accordance with cemetery rules and regulations.

Once fall maintenance and cleanup of the cemeteries begin, maintenance staff will be disposing of all items if they are not removed by this date. The Public Works Department asks that anyone owning cemetery decorations pick them up prior to this date if they wish to keep them.

The following items will be removed after October 15:

- Bric-A-Brac:** including figurines, statues not part of the memorial and stacked stones
- Concrete products:** Ceramic and concrete pots not connected to the memorial
- Crosses:** wood, metal, plastic, palms, etc. that are not part of the memorial or stuck in the ground
- Decorations:** balloons, flags, banners, pinwheels, tinsel, toys, clothing, etc.
- Faded Flowers** and dead plants (real or plastic)
- Fencing** of any type (metal, plastic, etc.) around memorials
- Glass** jars of any type
- Hanging planter holders**
- Holiday ornamentation:** Christmas, Easter and any commercial holidays
- Lights:** Votive, solar, etc.
- Metal Urns and containers**
- Name plates** six months past the burial date
- Pictures** of any type
- Planted** fruit or decorative trees and bushes around the memorial that were not approved

Please note that in the **Military Veterans' Section** any decoration, other than a plant, service medallion and flag, will be removed.

For further information regarding this notice or other cemetery questions, please contact Hillside Cemetery at (860) 528-4046.