



## MONUMENT SIZE & DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR ST. WENDELIN CATHOLIC CEMETERY

*Effective: January 1, 2022*

### SPECIFICATIONS

#### **MONUMENT SIZE** (*maximum*)

- Single Grave: 32”(H) x 32”(L) x 14”(W)
- Double Grave: 32”(H) x 54”(L) x 14”(W)

#### **FOOTER\***

- Single Grave: 40”(L)
- Double Grave: 80”(L)

*\*Does not apply to Section S as footer ribbons have already been poured.*

### MONUMENT DESIGN GUIDELINES

Although it is not at all necessary, some families choose to add more than just the name and dates of their deceased loved one. What should you think about regarding a monument design? Your loved one deserves a grave monument that points more to heaven than to earth. You should avoid shallow, secular, worldly images or sayings, and instead choose things that are profound and point heavenward. That is why secular images and sayings are not permitted (See cemetery handbook).

With these thoughts in mind, it is best to stick to holy images, if you use any at all. If you want to add some words—an “epitaph”—should also point to heaven. Short scripture passages can make great epitaphs. Also, sayings of saints can be used. If there are words describing the beloved deceased, they should focus on the virtue of the deceased, since it is virtue that gets us to heaven. Remember, your loved one deserves a monument that points to heaven; and your loved one would want to remind anybody who looks at the monument to live for heaven. For a list of fine scripture passages from which to choose, please visit [stwendelin.org/epitaphs](http://stwendelin.org/epitaphs).

### APPROVAL

Any monument must be approved by the St. Wendelin Pastor or his designee in writing. A preview of the proposed monument’s front and back should be sent to St. Wendelin (323 N. Wood St., Fostoria or [office@stwendelin.org](mailto:office@stwendelin.org)) for consideration before the final product is commissioned.

For more cemetery information, please visit [stwendelin.org/cemetery](http://stwendelin.org/cemetery).