

New Center Cemetery Parking & Traffic Updates – Frequently Asked Questions

Why were these changes made?

As New Center Cemetery has grown over the years, parking within the cemetery has become more limited. The updated parking and traffic plan helps improve safety, protect gravesites, and make traffic flow more orderly during funerals, unveilings, and memorial services.

What new improvements have been made?

- New section signs have been installed throughout the cemetery.
- A new parking direction sign has been added.
- White posts and chains have been installed to prevent vehicles from driving or parking on graves in Sections 12 and 14.
- A designated parking area has been established for services.

Where should I park for a funeral, unveiling, or memorial service?

All visitors attending a funeral, unveiling, or annual memorial service should park in the designated parking area located beyond Sections 13 and 14.

How do I get to the designated parking area?

Enter the roadway between Sections 13 and 14 and follow the posted signs. After crossing the bridge, bear left and park on either side of the roadway where space is available.

Can I still park near the section I am visiting?

Yes. When no funeral, unveiling, or memorial service is taking place, visitors may continue to park near the section they are visiting when access is available.

Can I park on the cemetery roads during a service?

No. To maintain safe traffic flow and emergency access, parking on cemetery roads is not permitted during funerals, unveilings, or memorial services.

How should I walk from the parking area to the service location?

The safest route is to walk toward the main exit between Sections 1 and 2 and then proceed to the service location. Visitors may also carefully walk back over the bridge while remaining aware of vehicle traffic.

How do I exit after a service?

Continue driving forward through the parking area and exit between Sections 1 and 2. Follow the roadway back toward the main entrance and exit the cemetery.

Are there one-way traffic patterns?

Yes. Please follow all posted one-way traffic signs throughout the cemetery.

What if additional parking is needed?

If the designated parking area is full, visitors should park outside the cemetery.

Where should ride-share or car service vehicles drop off passengers?

To help avoid congestion and traffic delays, passengers should be dropped off outside the cemetery whenever possible.

Are restrooms available?

Yes. After a service, visitors may continue through the gate into Evergreen Cemetery and follow the roadway toward the main building, where restrooms are available.

Will there be future changes to the parking area?

Yes. The designated parking area is planned to eventually become part of a larger cemetery expansion that will include additional burial sections and a permanent parking lot.

Who can I contact with questions?

Please contact the Jacksonville Jewish Center office with any questions regarding cemetery access, parking, or services.