

Cemetery

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to me

CLT Board,

Other than voting, my first true interaction with anyone at Crystal Lake Township was when I had the unpleasant task of making arrangements for my mother's burial at the Lutheran Cemetery.

Supervisor Ferris was cordial and kind during our entire visit. During our conversations, I mentioned that my "older" brother was buried there also. He was tragically lost at birth due to a horrific car accident. His memorial marker is a simple stone with a cross. I really knew nothing about him. I was so thankful that at that time Ms Ferris had and shared the documents of his burial 6 decades before! Those few documents filled in a "hole" in my family history that I never knew and am very grateful that she took the extra time to share these with me.

Death is always a difficult and trying time for everyone. Emotions run high and it can be difficult to see beyond those emotions.

Going forward, the CLT Board in July of 2021 unanimously voted for the current cemetery ordinance. While I personally feel it restrictive, Supervisor Ferris has been adhering to that ordinance as approved by the board.

Cemetaries are the history of our community, our neighbors and family. Our life continues on after death by a few lines etched in stone. I hope this township can see the significance and importance of this.

I fully support Supervisor Ferris continue in her role as Cemetery Administrator. She has vast knowledge of our cemeteries beyond the "paperwork."

Thank you,
Sondra Halliday