

## **A bit of History**

Zion Lutheran Cemetery came about through trades and donations. History tells us a gentleman, last name of Erickson donated a one acre plot and later another gentleman, last name of Jacobson traded ten acres and donated part in 1959 for a total of eleven acres.

Pleasant Hill's first burial was Martha Johnson, buried in May of 1884. Zions first burial was Lars Sather in 1887. Zion's oldest buried is Nils Isaacson at 101 years old.

Valley View's first burial was Inger Michaelsen in 1906 ,and their oldest was Gladys Hevly at 100 years old.

## **Directions to Zion Lutheran And Pleasant Hill ~~**

From Exit 208 off I-5, go west on Pioneer Highway through Silvana. Continue about 3 miles and you will cross a concrete bridge, there will be a driveway immediately to your right with a sign that says Little White Church on the Hill and Zion Lutheran Cemetery. Gate will be just off Pioneer Highway. Hours are Wednesdays and Sundays from 8-5.

## **Directions to Valley View ~~**

From Exit 208 off I-5 go west on Pioneer Highway through Silvana. Take a left on Larson Road keep going past the church, over the railroad crossing and continue up the hill and follow the road which curves to the left. There will be a white fence running along the property on your left. When the fence breaks for a driveway, turn left into the driveway and follow to the gate. Gate is not locked, please shut when you leave.

# **Peace Lutheran Cemeteries**



## **Zion Lutheran Cemetery Pleasant Hill Cemetery Valley View Cemetery**

**1717 Larson Road  
Silvana, WA 98287  
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## Mission

As a part of its Stewardship, Peace Lutheran Church maintains and cares for Zion Lutheran, Pleasant Hill and Valley View cemeteries which continue to be a part of its congregational history.

## Guidelines

All graves shall be held subject to the provisions and restrictions of all laws of Washington State.

The cost of a grave and endowed care shall be established by the Cemetery Committee and approved by the congregation.

A burial grave is 4X10 feet and a cremation grave is 2X3 feet and for uniformity, only 12"X24" headstones are permitted in Zions cremation. All markers and monuments shall have a 4in base on all sides and shall be level with the ground.

Only flat headstones are permitted at Valley View and are preferred in the cremation and new sections of Zion Lutheran, in order to facilitate the upkeep and care of the grounds. Any burial shall be encased in a minimum of a cement liner or vault.

No flowers, perennials, shrubs or trees shall be planted on or around graves.

Flowers left on a grave may be removed at the time of mowing.

Artificial flowers are discouraged during mowing season, April 1- October 1.

The Cemetery Committee reserves the right to exclude or remove from any grave, headstone or any other object which may conflict with the cemetery , or which they shall consider injurious to the general appearance of the grounds.

Visitors are reminded that these grounds are sacredly devoted to the interment of the dead and a strict observance of all that is proper in a place so dedicated will be required of all who visit here.

## Endowed Care Fund

Efforts have been taken to assure families that the care and maintenance of the grounds will have financial stability.

Part of the monies received from the sale of a grave shall be placed in this fund, with the balance used for current maintenance and other needs.

**Families are strongly encouraged to give memorials and designated gifts to this Fund.**

## Costs\*

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| <b>Grave</b> 4'x10' | \$1000 |
| PLC members         | \$600  |

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| <b>Cremation</b> 2'x3' | \$500 |
| PLC members            | \$250 |

\*subject to change, contact sextons for current costs.

## Sextons

Zion Lutheran and Valley View cemeteries have separate Sextons each who have been appointed by the congregation to serve with specific responsibilities regarding the upkeep, care and maintenance and sale of graves.

### Zion and Pleasant Hill ~

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| Bill Rod    | 360-629-3656 |
| Bruce Grimm | 360-442-8463 |

### Valley View ~

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| Dennis Dicken | 360-652-6586 |
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## Sexton Responsibilities

Handle all funds pertaining to the cemetery, collecting for the sale of graves and receiving memorials and gifts.

Be informed and aware of any re-sale of grave or graves. All purchased graves not to be used may be sold back to the cemetery for the purchase price.

Keep up to date records of burials, and advance purchases with deed noting the specific location.

Locate and stake any grave opening and or placement of any monument or headstone.