

# Cleaning a Granite Monument

- Lots of Water (distilled or from the city)
- Soft cloths and sponges
- Non-ionic soap (check the label) (ex. Reg. Dawn dish soap -blue colour)
- Plastic bristled brushes (finger nail, dishes, tooth brush, etc.)
- Rubber gloves

1. Always start cleaning the monument from the bottom upwards.
2. Soak the stone with water to saturate any growth that may be present.
3. Mix 1 tablespoon of the soap with 1 gallon of water.
4. Use the brushes to apply the soapy mixture to the surface and scrub away any debris.
5. Keep the stone wet with clean water for the duration of your cleaning.
6. Once all of the debris is removed, rinse the stone thoroughly with clean water.

**DO NOT USE** : Bleach or CLR (will soak into the monument and will do harm), do not use a steel/wire brush or any sander equipment (will scratch the monument), etc.

\*Old empty large water bottles are great for bringing the water to the cemetery.