COACHELLA VALLEY PUBLIC CEMETERY DISTRICT

Día de los Muertos 2026

Everything You Need to Know Before Your Visit



The Coachella Valley Public Cemetery District is preparing to welcome thousands of visitors for its annual Día de los Muertos celebration on Monday, November 2, 2026. This beloved tradition brings families and community members together to honor loved ones who have passed, celebrate their lives, and keep their memories alive through colorful decorations, music, and heartfelt tributes.

We encourage everyone to plan for a safe and enjoyable experience.

EVENT DETAILS

- **Date:** Monday, November 2, 2026
- **Location:** Coachella Valley Public Cemetery District
  82-925 Avenue 52
  Coachella, CA 92236
- **Cemetery Hours:**
  7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
  (extended hours)
- **Admission:** Free and open to the public

ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

In addition to the traditional graveside observances taking place throughout the cemetery, visitors are invited to enjoy an afternoon and evening of cultural entertainment and performances.

- **2:00 – 5:00 p.m.** | DJ and Recorded Music
- **5:00 – 6:30 p.m.** | Live Music
- **6:30 – 7:00 p.m.** | Ballet Folklórico
- **7:15 – 7:45 p.m.** | Blessings

All performances will take place at the cemetery's designated entertainment stage.

PARKING AND TRAFFIC INFORMATION

- All vehicles must enter through the cemetery's West Gate. Visitors will be directed to the designated dirt parking lot on the west side of the cemetery. Parking will not be permitted within the cemetery grounds.
- Día de los Muertos is one of the District's busiest days of the year, and traffic congestion should be expected, particularly during the late afternoon and evening hours.
- We strongly recommend arriving early. The parking lot typically reaches capacity as the evening progresses, and parking availability cannot be guaranteed.
- Designated ADA parking will be available near the front of the parking lot. However, these spaces are limited and may also fill quickly. Visitors requiring accessible parking are encouraged to arrive early.
- Please follow all posted signs and directions from parking personnel to help maintain a safe and orderly flow of traffic.

Important Visitor Rules and Reminders

To ensure a safe and respectful environment for all visitors, the following rules will be enforced:

- **No pets or dogs**, except trained service animals as permitted under the ADA.
- **No alcoholic beverages.**
- **No firearms or weapons.**
- **No glass bottles or containers.**
- **No open flames**, including candles.
- **No canopies or tables.**
- **Coolers are permitted** but are subject to visual inspection by event personnel.

Visitors are welcome to bring chairs, umbrellas, food, and nonalcoholic beverages. Please help keep the cemetery clean by properly disposing of trash and respecting neighboring gravesites and memorial decorations.



GRAVE DECORATIONS WELCOME

In celebration of Día de los Muertos, full grave decorations are permitted. Families are encouraged to honor their loved ones with colorful flowers, photographs, and traditional decorations that reflect the spirit of this special occasion.

Please be respectful of neighboring gravesites and ensure decorations do not obstruct walkways or create safety hazards.

PLAN AHEAD FOR YOUR VISIT

With thousands of visitors expected, families are encouraged to allow extra time for parking and walking to their loved ones' gravesites. Comfortable walking shoes are recommended, as some parking areas are unpaved and walks may be lengthy.

As daylight fades, please use extra caution throughout the cemetery and watch for uneven ground, decorations and other visitors.

The cemetery will remain open until 8:00 p.m. on November 2, providing additional time for families to gather, reflect, and celebrate the memories of those who are no longer with us.

The District looks forward to welcoming our community for another meaningful Día de los Muertos celebration. We thank everyone in advance for their patience, cooperation, and respect for this special tradition.

For additional information, visit www.CVPCD.org, follow us on Facebook or call **(760) 398-3221**.