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This seems to be a constant on any Azure Database for MySQL. This is expected, that's how database server works. The major memory is consumed by database server (buffer pool). The server won't release those memory. So you will see the memory stay in same level when the server is idle. When you are doing the query, you might see the memory increase, because database server load data to buffer pool.

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