Memory Gardens, Inc.

Located next to the Shaker Historic District

Did you ever think about Planned Giving?

How would you like to be able to help Memory Gardens, where you and your loved ones have been, or will be, laid to rest.

Have you ever thought about Planned Giving? A planned gift is any major gift, made in lifetime or at death as part of a donor's overall financial and/or estate planning.

You may use or donate cash, appreciated securities/stock, real estate, artwork, partnership interest, personal property, life insurance, a retirement plan etc., the benefits of finding a planned gift can make this type of charitable giving very attractive to both the donor and Memory Gardens.

If you feel you would like to help Memory Gardens and also receive benefits that you may be able to take advantage of now, please call the cemetery at 869-9506 and let us show you how. Your generosity can help the cemetery for a long time to come.

Annual Christmas Celebration and Remembrance

Join the Paster Paul Koehn of Our Savior's Lutheran Church for Memory Gardens' Christmas Celebration and Remembrance Service on Friday December 11th at 6:30 pm. The evening will feature holiday music and readings plus the placing of ornaments on our Trees of Remembrance in memory of your love ones.

The service is open to the public as well as members of Memory Gardens. Looking forward to seeing you, your family and friends at the Christmas Celebration and Remembrance.

Guide to Important Dates at Memory Gardens

January 31st
Holiday decoration removal begins

March 1st to April 15th
Spring clean-up

April 4th
Easter Service 7:00 am

April 15th to November 1st
Bronze vases may be used

May 1st
Annual Meeting of Members

May 16th
Spring Open House at the Cemetery

November 1st to 15th
Fall clean-up

December 11th
Christmas Service 6:30 pm

Year Round
Vase cones may be used

Mausoleums
Please no fresh flowers

To have a detailed list of important dates please call the office at 518-869-9506 or visit our website at www.memorysgarden.org

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Friends of the Gardens

The "Friends of the Gardens" was established to promote the beautification and appreciation of the park like setting of Memory Gardens.

The Friends of the Gardens would like to invite you to be part of our efforts to keep Memory Gardens beautiful well into the future.

"I would like to lend my support to this effort by joining the Friends of the Gardens"

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email (for "Friends" use only): _____

☐ I am interested in volunteering on a project of the "Friends of the Gardens" during the next year.

I am particularly interested in:

☐ Christmas Service
☐ Easter Service
☐ Adopt a Wolf
☐ Adopt a Garden gardener

Clip and Return to: Memory Gardens
983 Watervliet Shaker Road • Colonie, NY 12110

EDSALL "Big" Walker

Edsall Walker was born September 15, 1913 and was a pitcher in the Negro Baseball League. The 6-foot, 215-pound left-handed pitcher had a playing career that spanned from the late 1920's to 1945.

Walker was one of the top left-handers in the game in the early 1940s. In 1940 he had a 10-5 record for the Grays, who won the Negro League pennant. He played on eight of the nine straight Homestead pennant winners.

- Late 1920's – Mohawk Giants (Albany NY, semipro)
- 1934 – Zulu Cannibal Giants
- 1935-36 – Albany Black Crackers
- 1936-42 – Homestead Grays
- 1942 – Philadelphia Stars & Newark Eagles
- 1943-44 – Homestead Grays
- 1944 – Baltimore Elite Giants
- 1945 – Homestead Grays

Walker was the starting pitcher for the East squad of the 1938 East-West All Star game was to be his only appearance in the East-West classic.

Edsall Walker is interred in the Trinity Garden.

Reprinted from Negro League Baseball Players Association

2009 Holiday Placement Service

Memory's Garden offers our Holiday Placement Service to those who wish for a beautiful holiday decoration to be placed in memory of a loved one.
For outside burial spaces we offer our wreath placement. For inside the mausoleum chapels we offer a choice of a wreath or a silk poinsettia plant.

WREATH $37.00
A natural evergreen wreath beautifully decorated and secured to a tripod stand. Wreath placement traditionally begins December 1st and wreaths will remain into the New Year. Please place your orders by November 18th.
Please Note: quantity is limited. Orders will be filled while supplies last.

POINSETTIA $20.00
(Inside Chapel Mausoleums only)
A beautiful silk poinsettia plant with card will be placed. You may take your plant home any time before March 1st. Last Day to order a Poinsettia is December 17th.

Reminder:
ALL Christmas Decorations will be removed beginning January 31st

(Detach and return this portion with your payment)

ORDER FORMS AVAILABLE ONLINE AT www.memorysgarden.org or ORDER BY PHONE at 518-869-9506

☐ **WREATH ($37.00)** ☐ **POINSETTIA ($20.00-indoor mausoleum only)**

Name of Deceased: _____

Garden: _____ Lot: _____ Space: _____

(LOCATION INFORMATION CAN BE LEFT BLANK IF UNKNOWN)

Total Amount Enclosed: _____ Check or Money Order No. : _____

☐ MasterCard ☐ Visa ☐ Discover ☐ American Express Expiration Date: _____

Card Number: _____ Security Code: _____

Name (Print): _____ Sign:_____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

_____ e-mail: _____

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MEMORIAL PARK

How To Reach Us:

- In person during our business hours
- By phone at 518-869-9506
- By mail: Memory Gardens
  983 Watervliet Shaker Road
  Colonie, NY 12205
- By email: info@memorysgarden.org

Pavers for Sale

Memory Gardens has stored several pallets of used pavers that we would like to sell. There are two sizes 4 ½ x 4 ½ x 2 ½ and 7 x 4 ½ x 2 ½. We are selling them on a first come first serve basis: $1 for large pavers and $0.75 for small pavers. Please call the cemetery office at 518-869-9506 if you are interested in purchasing any of the pavers.

Office Hours

Monday – Friday 8:00 am to 4:30 pm
Saturday 9:00am to 1:00 pm
Sunday Closed
Any time by appointment

Grounds Open

7:00 am – 8:00 pm Spring/Summer
7:00 am – 5:00 pm Fall/Winter

www.memorysgarden.org

For a free information packet, email matthew.sousa@memorysgarden.org or call our office.

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