The Gardens
Memory Gardens

Memory Gardens Christmas Remembrance

Like many businesses during the pandemic, Memory Gardens was forced to make some changes over the last year. One change was converting our evening Christmas gathering into an extended day time drive-through for ornament placing, candy canes and prayers. Last year many families were kind enough to stop at the chapel to place ornaments on our new beautifully lit Christmas trees while remembering lost loved ones. This year's drive-through event will be held Friday December 3, 2021 from 9-4pm at our A-frame Chapel. We look forward to seeing you.

As the holiday season approaches, Memory Gardens expresses our deepest condolences to all the capital district families that have lost family members and friends in 2021.

Let Us Place Your Fresh Wreath

Cold, snow, ice and rainy weather. It's coming. Let Memory Gardens place a wreath for you and your loved ones. This beautiful 24" double faced evergreen wreath is decorated with a red bow and clusters of pine and berries on a 3' tripod easel.

See page 3 for our wreath order form.

Reflection Tree

Memory Gardens is proud to announce the "Reflection Tree Cremation Garden".

This peaceful area is shaded with our beautiful Reflection Tree and surrounded by our tranquil pond, lots of large trees and rolling hills of green.

Call or email our Memorial Advisors for more info while limited spaces are available.

Garden of Heroes Special Discount Buy One Get One Half Off ($1500 Side By Side Companion)

The garden of Heroes is dedicated to Military Veterans, firefighters, police officers, Ems, nurses, doctors and any other first responders. Garden of Heroes highlights our appreciation of your service by offering a local resting place honoring your service that your loved one's can visit every day.

President's Message

Greetings to All:

I hope this finds you and your family well.

I read a quote recently that fits the way life seems to be. It was by Arthur Rubinstein, he said, "Happiness can only be felt if you don't set any conditions." Perhaps, we can all take a lesson from his words.

Fall will be here soon and school has already started for many students. I hope this year the Covid-19 virus and its variants will be limited. We had a small window without masks, which was wonderful. Unfortunately, with flu season upon us, changes will be coming again. We will continue to follow CDC and New York State guidelines. All changes will be noted on the front door of the office. We ask your cooperation in adherence to any changes.

A planned repair and cleaning of the fountain out front has been scheduled. We hope this project will be done before winter. The newsletter will provide further information on repairs and maintenance in process.

We will once again provide Christmas Wreaths for sale this year. It is a wonderful way to share the holidays with your loved ones.

We wish you and your family a wonderful fall and holiday season.

Valerie Konopka
President
Memory Gardens Board of Directors

Update your Information

Moved, changed your name or email address? Let Memory Gardens know.

If you have recently changed your address, your name or email address, please send a note to our business office or an email to info@memorygardens.org with the following information: Your name(s), your old address and your new address, current phone number and your current email address. If you know your garden, lot and space information, please include this as well.

If you have recently changed your name, please send a copy of your marriage certificate or other documentation.

We thank you for your cooperation as this information will help keep our records current.

Garden of Grace Lots Available for $500

We are very pleased to announce that our newest garden, the Garden of Grace, is open. This garden has 768 spaces. It is a very peaceful garden with a gentle rolling grade. It is located in the rear of the gardens, and to the right of the gardens of Paradise and Love. Please contact one of our Memorial Advisors at 518-869-9506 for more information and to reserve spaces for your family plot.

Fountainlawn Restoration Project

Memory Gardens large fountain is the focal point of the entrance to the cemetery. The fountain was built with delicate soft stones and concrete many years ago. The fountain is carefully being cleaned and repointed for restoration for the future.

The Memory Gardens grounds team has done a great job keeping this alluring feature clean and functional over the years.

(Detach and return this portion with your payment)

WINTER PLACEMENT SERVICE ORDER FORM

❑ **FRESH NATURAL EVERGREEN WREATH $45** ❑ **SILK POINSETTIA $25 (inside mausoleums only)**

Name of Deceased: _____

Garden: _____ Lot: _____ Space: _____

(LOCATION INFORMATION CAN BE LEFT BLANK IF UNKNOWN)

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

Card Type: ❑ MasterCard ❑ Visa ❑ Discover ❑ American Express Expiration Date: _____

Card Number: _____ Security Code: _____

Name (Print): _____ Signature:_____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

_____ Email: _____

Please complete the above order form and return it to Memory Gardens, 983 Watervliet Shaker Road, Albany, NY 12205 with payment, or call our office at (518) 869-9506, or select the "Floral Placement Service" link on our website, www.memorygardens.org

2021 Holiday Placement Service

Memory Gardens offers our Holiday Placement Service to those who would like a beautiful holiday decoration to be placed in memory of a loved one. Placement will begin in early December. Please place your orders early. Orders will be taken until Monday, December 13, 2021.

1. For **outside** burial spaces, we offer a Fresh Natural Evergreen Wreath for $45. It is beautifully decorated with pine cones, red berries and a red ribbon and is secured to a tripod stand.

2. For **inside** the mausoleum chapels, we offer a Silk Poinsettia Plant for $25. Quantities are limited for this item and orders will be filled while supplies last.

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Remember Your Loved Ones – Placement Service Order Form Enclosed

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New Roof Systems at Briarwood & Edgewood Mausoleums

Both of our grand mausoleum buildings had the original roofs replaced this summer. The Briarwood mausoleum had 2 flat rubber roof systems as well as a new shingle roof replaced over the A-Frame chapel. Our older Edgewood mausoleum had the flat rubber roof replaced with a stunning new bronze metal roof replaced with new bright skylights over the chapel.

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Guide to important dates at Memory Gardens

2021

November 1
Bronze vases in markers may not be used again until April 15

November 1 to November 15
Fall cleanup: All decorations are removed

November 15 to January 31
Wreaths on a stand allowed

2022

January 31
Holiday decoration removal begins

March 1 to April 15
Spring cleanup: All decorations are removed

April 15
Bronze vases may be used until November 1

April 17
Easter Sunrise Service (cemetery wide), 7 a.m.

May 7
Annual Lot Owners Meeting at Cemetery Office, 10 a.m.

For more details visit our website
www.memorygardens.org