Fall 2026

The Gardens
Memory Gardens

President's Message

As the year draws to a close, I want to take a moment to thank our families and community for the trust you place in us. It is our privilege to honor the lives and legacies of those who came before us, while providing a peaceful place for remembrance, reflection, and healing.

The holiday season often brings a mix of joy, gratitude, and remembrance. We recognize that this time of year can be especially meaningful for those remembering loved ones, and we are honored to be a part of those cherished memories.

I warmly invite you to join us for our **Annual Holiday Remembrance Celebration** on **Saturday, December 5th, at 10:00 a.m. at the Chapel**. This special gathering offers an opportunity to come together as a community, celebrate the lives of those we miss, and find comfort in shared memories. Whether you have attended in the past or will be joining us for the first time, we hope you will be with us for this heartfelt tradition. We will share a short program of music, spiritual words, and light refreshments. You are welcome to bring an ornament to place on the tree to honor those you love and cherish.

On behalf of our Board of Directors and staff, I wish you and your family a peaceful holiday season filled with hope, comfort, and treasured memories. Thank you for allowing us to serve you.

Warm regards,

Cheryl Kowalski
President, Board of Directors

Guide to Regulation Dates at Memory Gardens

November 1 Fall Clean-Up Begins

ALL flowers and decorations will be removed. If you wish to save your decorations, **please remove them prior to this date**.

After **November 1** all Bronze vases must be emptied, turned down into their markers, and vase cones **may not** be used. Vases left upright and later hidden by snow and ice create a safety hazard and can be damaged. The cemetery is not responsible for these damages.

November 15 – January 1
Wreath must be placed on a stand. Poinsettias allowed **ONLY INSIDE** Mausoleum.

Monday After January 1
All Christmas wreaths and Christmas decorations including the Mausoleums will be removed beginning the **Monday after January 1** (weather permitting). If you wish to save your decorations, please remove them prior to this date.

March 1 Spring Clean-Up of Grounds and Mausoleums Begins

Easter– November 1
Bronze Vases and vase cones **may** be used. Fresh cut and artificial floral bouquets are permitted. Flowers will be removed when they become wilted, withered, or unsightly.

Mausoleums:
Not allowed inside Mausoleums includes fresh flowers and wreaths. Signs, insignias, personal emblems of any type, shape or form may not be affixed to **ANY granite or marble crypt fronts**. Violations will be removed without prior notice.

Memory Gardens' Holiday Wreath Program

Have you had the chance to see the Gardens during the Holiday Season? There is nothing like hundreds of wreaths with beautiful red bows and a dusting of snow to take your breath away.

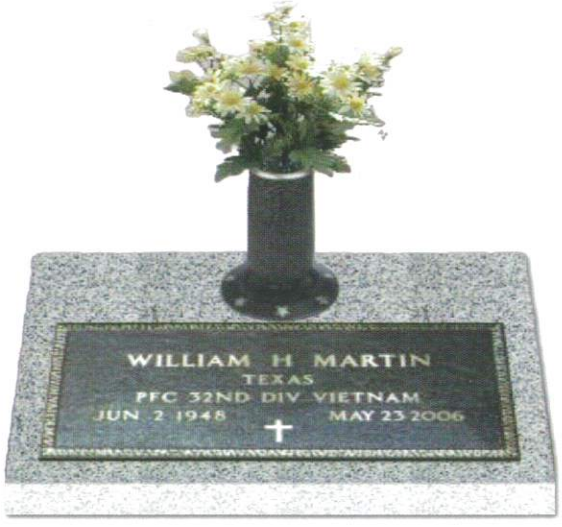
Take part in our Holiday Wreath Program and honor your loved ones. Let us place a 24" double-sided fresh pine wreath with pinecones & berries trimmed with a Holiday red bow on a tripod easel delivered locally by George's Market.

You can order online at www.memorygardens.org, call us at 518-869-9506 or mail it to 983 Watervliet-Shaker Road, Albany, NY 12205.

See page 3 for our wreath order form.

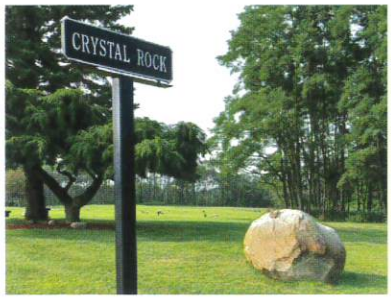
Upgrade Offer for Veteran Mamorials 2026

For a limited time, Memory Gardens is offering a **FREE 28"x 22"** granite foundation and **FREE installation** at the head of the grave with the purchase of *a $1237 vase unit* for your loved one's Veteran Memorial. This offer is only valid for Veteran Memorials. This is an **$800 value savings**. This bronze vase flips down into the foundation like other traditional bronze memorials for non-use during winter months. If you are interested in this unit, please contact the sales staff at Memory Gardens at 518-869-9506 or email at info@memorygardens.org.



Benches

If you have visited the Gardens, did you notice the beautiful benches throughout the park? Some of them are just that – Memorial benches. Also our cremation benches are designed to lay to rest cremains. Only so many can be placed in the Gardens, so make an appointment TODAY with one of our dedicated Memorial Advisors to gather more information.



Crystal Rock and the Butterflies

The Crystal Rock Garden is a delight of whimsy with Butterflies as markers on a natural stone boulder. Butterflies as a group are known as a Kaleidoscope. Did you know that? Symbols of freedom and beauty each and every one of them! Honor your loved ones with an inscription of their name and dates of life as we create our own Kaleidoscope to grace the Gardens. A cremation only Garden.

Introducing the New Garden of Horizon, $650

Just over the Horizon at Memory Gardens is a new addition for 2026! Take advantage of the opening prices. Make an appointment with a Memorial Advisor TODAY!

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL INFORMATION
(Detach and return this portion with your payment)

WINTER PLACEMENT SERVICE ORDER FORM

❑ **FRESH NATURAL EVERGREEN WREATH $56** ❑ **SILK POINSETTIA $28 (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: _____ Approval Code: _____

Name (Print): _____ Signature: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

_____ Email: _____

_____ Date: _____

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 "Flowers and Wreaths" link on our website, www.memorygardens.org

2026 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 14, 2026.

1. For **outside** burial spaces, we offer a Fresh Natural Evergreen Wreath for $56. It is beautifully decorated with pine cones, red berries and a red ribbon and is secured to a tripod stand.

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Wreaths provided by
George's Market and Nursery

2. For **inside** the mausoleum chapels only, we offer a Silk Poinsettia Plant for $28. Quantities are limited for this item and orders will be filled while supplies last.

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Office Hours
Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Grounds Open
Dawn to Dusk

Remember Your Loved Ones – Placement Service Order Form Enclosed

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2026 Promos of Gardens

Please note Memory Gardens is a non-profit and non-sectarian memorial park providing a full range of cemetery services.

Several Gardens being featured are –

Crystal Rock Garden – a space, inurnment for cremation & bronze butterfly for only $1830!

Garden of Heroes was designed to host Heroes – First Responders, EMTs, Firefighters, Police, Veterans and more. Spaces in this garden are Buy One, Get One 50% off.

Reflection Urn Garden hosts cremations only. Package deal includes marker with an outstanding savings of $800!

Garden of Horizon is our LOWEST price garden. Spaces are only $650. Take advantage of this promotion before it sells out!

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Update Your Information

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

Give us a call at 518-869-9506 or email your update to info@memorygardens.org.

Thank you for keeping our records current.