

# Madison Township Community Park Memorial Tree Program

## *A Living Tribute....*

Give a gift that will last several lifetimes! Planting a tree in our community park is a wonderful way to honor a loved one and also provides a gift to the whole community. Trees are planted in the park so everyone can enjoy the shade, beauty and enjoyment a living tree provides.

A memorial tree can be planted for many occasions: in memory of someone who has passed away, to honor your “family tree”, in honor of a dedicated service member, to celebrate a birth, graduation, wedding, retirement, or other special occasion. Planting a memorial tree is a remembrance of the past while growing for the future and planting a tree in our park is a great way to solve gift-giving problems while being a wonderful tribute to a loved one or friend. It’s a gift that can last through several lifetimes - a gift that keeps on giving.

### **Who does the planting?**

The township will provide and plant the tree of your choice from attached list, in the designated areas of the park for. After planting, the township takes care of watering and basic maintenance.

### **When are trees planted?**

Tree will be planted during the planting season from October through March. Trees may be purchased year round and scheduled to be planted later in the year.

### **What do I get for \$350?**

Your choice of tree from the attached list and one 8x8x2 ½ marble marker with inscription; both installed by the township. All tree species have been selected to be suitable for our climate and soil to help increase the tree's chances of survival. The purchaser receives a certificate of planting for the tree planted. All trees have a one year warranty; however, the township is not responsible for replacement of stolen or damaged markers. Your donation is tax deductible.

### **Where does your money go?**

The vast majority (92%) of your contribution is to pay for the tree and the marker. The remainder of your donation will help offset the cost of planting and maintenance of the tree. Your contribution also helps to grow and maintain the beautiful, natural environment of our community park.

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### **General Requirements**

1. Tree selection must be from the following list:

<b><u>Shade Trees</u></b>	<b><u>Size</u></b>	<b><u>Flowering Tree</u></b>	<b><u>Size</u></b>
Pacific Sunset Maple	2"	Shubert Chokecherry	2"
Rivers Purple Beech	1.5"	Ivory Silk Lilac	1.75"
Skyline Honey Locust	2"	Sugar Tyme Crabapple	2"
Dawn Redwood	2"		
Red Oak	1.5"	<b><u>Evergreens</u></b>	<b><u>Size</u></b>
Prospector Elm	2"	Norway Spruce	6 ft.
Dynasty Lacebark Elm	1.75"	Colorado Blue Spruce	5 ft.

2. The township will supply and plant the tree and supply and install the marker. Markers will be set flush with ground level. Contributor involvement in planting or attendance is welcomed.
3. The township needs a minimum of two weeks from receipt of your living tribute request to arrange for tree planting. Donations of several trees may take longer. Tree planting is a seasonal activity and occurs between October and March.
4. Trees will have a designated area in the park where they are to be planted. Contributor involvement is welcomed, but the township will have final authority.
5. All markers are 8"x8"x2 1/2" polished black marble. The top inscription line will read "In Memory Of" or "Memorial For". The second line will contain name(s) and the third line can contain a date and or event (born, married, etc). A maximum of 15 characters per line.
6. No other plaques, markers, or decorations of any kind are permitted to be placed on or near the tree.

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## APPLICATION FOR MEMORIAL TREE PLANTING

Please fill out this application and mail it along with your check to: Madison Twp. Memorial Tree Program 5610 West Alexandria Rd., Middletown, OH 45402. Make your check payable to Madison Township.

Our staff will contact you after we receive the application to confirm the location, species, and your involvement.

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Work/Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Please mark your tree selection. Each tree is \$350.

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2. Please mark how you want the first inscription line to read:

\_\_\_\_\_ "In Memory of"

\_\_\_\_\_ "Memorial For"

3. Please clearly print the name(s), as it should appear on the second line of the marker:

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Please clearly print the inscription of the date and/or event to appear on the third line of the marker. \_\_\_\_\_

5. Would you or your group like to be involved in the tree planting? Check as many as is appropriate.

\_\_\_\_\_ Attend planting

\_\_\_\_\_ Notified after planting

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to receive a donation receipt and certificate of memorial tree..