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Friends of Passaic
County Parks, Inc.

Memorial Bench and Tree Program





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Introduction

The Passaic County Board of County Commissioners in partnership with the Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc. Board of Trustees offers a Memorial Bench and Tree Program as an opportunity for you to celebrate a loved one, remember a special event or recognize a remarkable person in the community.

How the Program Works

The Memorial Bench and Tree program allows you to celebrate the birth of a child, memorialize a loved one, recognize an important event or anniversary, while enhancing one of Passaic County's parks.

- Submit an inquiry to purchase a tree or bench.
- After submitting your application, someone from Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc. will reach out to confirm details.
- Once that is approved, an invoice will be sent. Payment is due at the time of order.

Once a memorial tree or bench has been donated, we will work with you until project completion.

The Memorial Bench and Tree Program is offered by the Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc., in partnership with the County of Passaic.

For more information, please go to www.seepassaiccounty.org or call (973) 706-6640.

Memorial Trees

New Tree

The tree selection is designed to encourage sustainable and healthy planting of native species and is sourced from New Jersey growers. We plant only native tree species chosen by a Rutgers County agent with degrees in forestry and ecology, who is also an ISA certified arborist and NJ licensed tree expert. Trees are protected by netting or other means from deer damage. Natives are well-suited to the growing conditions found in our parks, have long lifespans, and provide a canopy and habitat for a variety of living creatures. Several varieties are available. Our Parks department staff will work with you to site your tree in your chosen park.

This option comes with an engraved stainless-steel plaque that attaches to the tree via a loop and spring insert into a vinyl tube. The spring allows the attachment to stretch as the tree grows. The plaque can contain up to five (5) lines of text with up to thirty-five (35) characters per line (including spaces and punctuation).

Pricing: \$1,250

Adopt-a-tree

If you would prefer to care for a larger, established tree rather than plant a young one, any tree, in any of our parks that is in good health and not already a memorial is available for adoption. Your donation pays for pruning, fertilizing, and other care.

Adopted trees come with the same engraved stainless-steel plaque that accompanies a new tree. It attaches to the tree via a loop and spring insert into a vinyl tube. The spring allows the attachment to stretch as the tree grows. The plaque can contain up to five (5) lines of text with up to thirty-five (35) characters per line (including spaces and punctuation).

Pricing: \$600

Memorial Bench

New Bench

Our benches are six (6) feet long and made of Grade A teak, sustainably sourced, with more than one tree being planted for each one that is harvested. Any wood waste that is created during the manufacturing process is used to fuel the kilns that dry the wood or to create electricity. Teak furniture is maintenance-free, requiring no paint or other coatings, and can last for generations.

We will make every effort to install benches three to six months after your order. Each bench includes a memorial plaque, which is installed on the backrest of the bench.

The engraved brass plaque is included in the price of the bench. You may order up to two additional plaques for your bench, at eighty-five dollars (\$85.00) each. A plaque may contain no more than four (4) lines of text. Each line can have up to fifty-five (55) characters. Each letter, number, space, and punctuation mark counts as a “character.” You will have the opportunity to proofread your text before the plaque is engraved.

Pricing: \$2,500

Adopt-a-bench

If you would prefer a more cost-effective and sustainable option than a new teak bench, most of the existing wooden benches in our parks are available for adoption. Your donation will give new life to the bench by refurbishing and refinishing it.

Up to three engraved brass plaques are included in the price of the adopted bench. A plaque may contain no more than four lines of text. A plaque may contain no more than four (4) lines of text. Each line can have up to fifty-five (55) characters. Each letter, number, space, and punctuation mark counts as a “character.” You will have the opportunity to proofread your text before the plaque is engraved.

Pricing: \$1,000

Pet Memorial Plaques

Pet memorial plaques are cast bronze and may be placed only at the dog parks within the Passaic County Park System such as Goffle Brook and Rifle Camp parks. These plaques are eight by ten inches (8"x10"). They are made of cast bronze. Small decorative icons as well as text can be included on the plaque. You will have the opportunity to proofread your message before the engraving is complete.

Pricing: \$750



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Contact Name: _____

Full Address: _____

Phone No.: _____

Email: _____

Select Park for the Memorial: _____

Type of Memorial: _____

If Selecting a Tree, Which Species Would You Like? _____

What kind of plaque would you like, if any? _____

Do you want a memorial ceremony?

Yes

No

Message to be included on memorial Plaque: _____

Please fill out the form and return with a check to the Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc. 401 Grand Street, Room 205, Paterson, New Jersey 07505. Make checks payable to "Friends of Passaic County Parks, Inc." All donations are fully tax deductible. For more information, please call (973) 706-6640.