



Memorial/Heritage Tree and Bench Donation Program Policy

The City of Goodlettsville supports the needs and principles of allowing memorial benches and trees in parks and green space areas, but is also mindful that these facilities have many uses and are enjoyed by a wide range of people. Therefore, the City desires to manage and regulate memorial and heritage benches and trees for the mutual benefit of all.

It is the intention that the memorial/heritage bench and tree giving policy only covers the broad sense of memorial benches and trees and is not meant to be exhaustive.

Memorial/Heritage bench proposals outside the scope of this policy may still be considered.

- Applications for the Memorial/Heritage Tree and Benches may be picked up at the Delmas Long Community Center or found at www.goodlettsvilleparks.com.
- The cost for a bench is \$1,500 for a steel bench.
- The cost for a tree is \$300.
- The bench style and location must conform to ADA standards.
- Benches and trees will be positioned to maximize the benefit to an area. The City will attempt to accommodate the wishes of an applicant at all times.
- The number of memorials shall not detract from the prime recreational purpose of an area.
- The City may limit the number of memorials in a particular area.
- Donors are not permitted to add additional plantings, flowers, or decorations to the memorial's area.
- Inscriptions are limited to the name of the person(s) the bench is dedicated to, and the dates of birth and death or dedication date. Additional inscriptions, religious symbols, and extraneous content is not permitted.

In memory of/In loving memory of/In honor of

Bob Smith

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- The City accepts no liability for damages to any memorials from vandals or third parties.
- The City reserves the right to remove any memorials that have been damaged, and is, in the view of the staff, beyond repair.
- All memorial benches are added to a special database with status, location, type of bench or tree, donor, the amount donated, and the person memorialized.