

**How do I get involved?**

Anyone interested in purchasing a memorial tree or bench should contact the Parks & Recreation Department at (573) 426-6901.

**Memorial Tree Program Benefits:**

- A unique gift
- A lasting tribute
- Beautify the parks
- Clean the air
- Provide shade
- Cool the temperature
- Ease noise pollution
- Increase property values
- Major generators of pure oxygen
- Aerate the soil and minimize flood damage

Donations will not only encourage the continual planting and replanting of trees within the City of Rolla, but will help to underwrite the cost of planting new trees in Rolla City parks and Cemetery.

Please make your check payable to:

City of Rolla

(Your gift is tax deductible.)

Rolla Parks & Recreation

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**ACORN Memorial Program**

**Gift Giver Information**

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

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

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Gift (circle)**

**In Memory    In Honor    Other**  
**Tree    Bench    Other Memorial**

If gifting a bench, circle the type:



\$975



\$1,100



\$1,375

**Wording for Plaque:**

**In Memory/In Honor/Other**

**Of**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Location Suggested:** \_\_\_\_\_

*(Gift Giver understands that this is only a suggestion and the Parks Department has the final say on all locations.)*

# ACORN Memorial Program





## Acorn Memorial Program

Give a gift that will last several lifetimes! Planting a tree in a City park or other City-owned land is a wonderful way to honor a loved one and also provides a gift to the whole community. Trees are planted on City-owned land 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; in honor of a dedicated service member; to celebrate a birthday, graduation, wedding, retirement, or other occasion. Planting a memorial tree is a remembrance of the past and at the same time a renewing of life. Planting a tree in a city park is a great way to solve gift-giving problems and is a wonderful tribute to a loved one or friend.

The Parks & Recreation Department will plant the tree on City-owned grounds in the spring or fall, and you will receive a certificate suitable for framing. It's a gift that can last through several lifetimes—a gift that keeps on giving.

### Why plant a memorial tree?

A memorial tree can be a living remembrance of a loved one or a celebration of a happy event. It provides a sense of belonging and community.

Trees improve the quality of life for the community and the City of Rolla as a whole, providing a benefit and enjoyment to people who use our parks. In addition, trees are a growing and living symbol for the individuals they represent. A memorial tree is a wonderful honor for individuals or organizations to make in someone's name; it is a gift that keeps on growing.

### Who does the planting?

The Parks and Recreation Department has staff members who are responsible for all tree plantings for the City of Rolla. After planting, the City takes care of watering, pruning, and other maintenance.

### When are trees planted?

Trees can be planted during the planting season from late Fall to the first week of April.

### What do I get for \$450.00?

A memorial tree with a standard plaque will cost \$450. The trees are typically 6 to 10 feet tall and come with a 1-year warranty. A representative from the Parks & Recreation Department will help individuals select an appropriate species and an appropriate location for the tree at the city park of their choice. The species selected must be suitable for Rolla's climate and also follow the park ordinance requirements. Also included in the price is a memorial plaque which is installed at the base of the tree. The Parks & Recreation Department does reserve the right to determine the final planting site.

### What if the tree does not survive?

During the period covered by your warranty, the City of Rolla will replace any tree that does not survive for any reason. Due to insects, disease or other occurrences, the city cannot guarantee a tree will survive indefinitely in any location. Replacement trees will be of the same size or caliper of the originally installed tree. Replacement trees will be selected by Park staff and may not be of the same

species or in the same location depending on the cause of loss of the original tree as determined by staff. Following the unlikely loss of a tree memorialized as an "existing tree," replacement will be the selection of another existing tree for the remainder of the warranty period. The individual making the original selection will be notified in such an event and may offer preference for new selection to be approved by Park staff. Should loss of a tree occur after the coverage of the warranty period, memorial plaques will be relocated and the family notified if applicable, or tree replaced at the discretion of the Parks Director without additional warranty coverage.

### Are there other memorials available?

There are also park benches which can be purchased as a memorial. There are three bench types to choose from starting at \$975. Also included in the price is a memorial plaque that is installed on the bench. The Rolla Parks & Recreation Department does reserve the right to determine the final site for the bench.

### What if I want a different memorial?

Individuals wanting to purchase something other than a tree or bench will need to schedule an appointment with the Rolla Parks & Recreation Director to discuss the type of memorial they wish to purchase.

### Where does my contribution go?

Memorials provide funds to support the Parks & Recreation Department's beautification efforts within the City of Rolla including planting new trees, caring for trees we've already planted and planting flowers and other decorative items.

### Decorations are not allowed.

Signs, holiday decorations and anything attached to the tree will be removed as they are an impediment to the tree's growth and a potential maintenance hazard.

