



IOWA STATE PARKS, RECREATION AREAS, AND STATE FORESTS

MEMORIAL TREE PROGRAM

Terms and Agreement

1. Memorial trees will be maintained by park staff for two growing seasons. Maintenance will include watering, growth support such as staking or fencing, and pruning.
2. DNR will not be held responsible for loss or damage to the tree or recognition tree tag.
3. Donors are asked to choose an Iowa native tree from the provided list attached. Should their desired species of tree not be listed below, they will need to obtain approval from park staff prior to the tree purchase.
4. DNR is responsible for the final selection of species and location of the tree to be planted. Every effort will be made to accommodate the donor's choice of location. If the location choice is not available, the donor may withdraw the donation request.
5. Tree planting will occur between April 15-June 16 or September 15-October 15.
6. All memorial recognition will be done using a recognition tree tag which will hang from the tree. Tree tags are optional. Tree tags will be purchased following DNR-selected standards below. Please refer to the memorial tree request form regarding recognition wording options. Tree tags must be purchased and paid for by the donor from a vendor of the donor's choosing and must abide by the following standards:
 - a. Tree tags shall not exceed 2" x 3 ½".
 - b. Italicized, scripted, and highly oblique fonts shall not be used. Tree tags will not include photos, images, life dates, or quotes.
 - c. Tree tags must be metal or acrylic with a hole in order to be hung from the tree. Color of tag must be black, steel, or aluminum.
7. Donors are responsible for all costs associated with the purchase of the tree including the tree recognition tag, tree staking, and mulch. Park staff may decline the use of stakes and mulch if they have supplies on hand that wish to be used or believe the tree does not need staking and/or mulch. Park staff are responsible for working with the donor on the order to ensure standards are met. Currently, there are two options for payment:
 - a. Donor gives check to DNR for donation and DNR places the order. In this case, an expense reduction would occur. The donor will give the check to local DNR staff. The donor must note on the check that it is for a tree purchase (not a general donation). Park staff will note what accounting string they are purchasing the tree with when sending in the donation.
 - b. Donor purchases and pays for donation directly to the vendor. Once the donor receives the materials, then it can be donated to the DNR.
8. No work will commence until all project approvals have been obtained and all materials have been purchased.
9. If the tree dies, the donor will be notified and may elect to replace the tree at their expense. There is no obligation of the DNR or the donor to replace the tree.
10. Landscaping and placement of objects, including but not limited to, flowers (real or artificial), rocks, lights, and flags by the donor or other park visitors is prohibited at the tree location.
11. All decisions of the DNR with regard to this memorial tree program will be final.

I have read the Memorial Tree Program Terms and Agreement thoroughly and understand all terms and conditions. My signature below constitutes my acceptance of all of the terms and conditions set forth herein.

Signature

Date

Printed Name

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MEMORIAL TREE FORM

Name: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Park, Forest, Rec Area Name: _____

Preferred Location:* _____

*DNR reserves the right to determine final placement of donation

Recognition tree tags are not required. Please check the appropriate box indicating if a tree tag is desired. Tree tags will hang from tree. No nails. Size shall not exceed 2" x 3 ½". Donor is responsible for ordering and paying for tree tag separately.

☐ No, I do not wish to order a tree tag

☐ Yes, I wish to order a tree tag

Please check the appropriate box indicating desired wording on recognition tree tag.

☐ In Honor Of

☐ Dedicated To

☐ Donated By

Please specify the person(s) or organization in whose memory/honor donation is being made. (Note, lengthy names may result in a smaller font being used.)

FOR STAFF USE ONLY

Application Type: ☐ New ☐ Renewal

Date of Planting: _____

Archaeological Clearance Needed: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Sovereign Lands Permit Needed: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Date Donation Submitted for NRC Approval: _____

ORDER INFORMATION

Tree Cost: _____

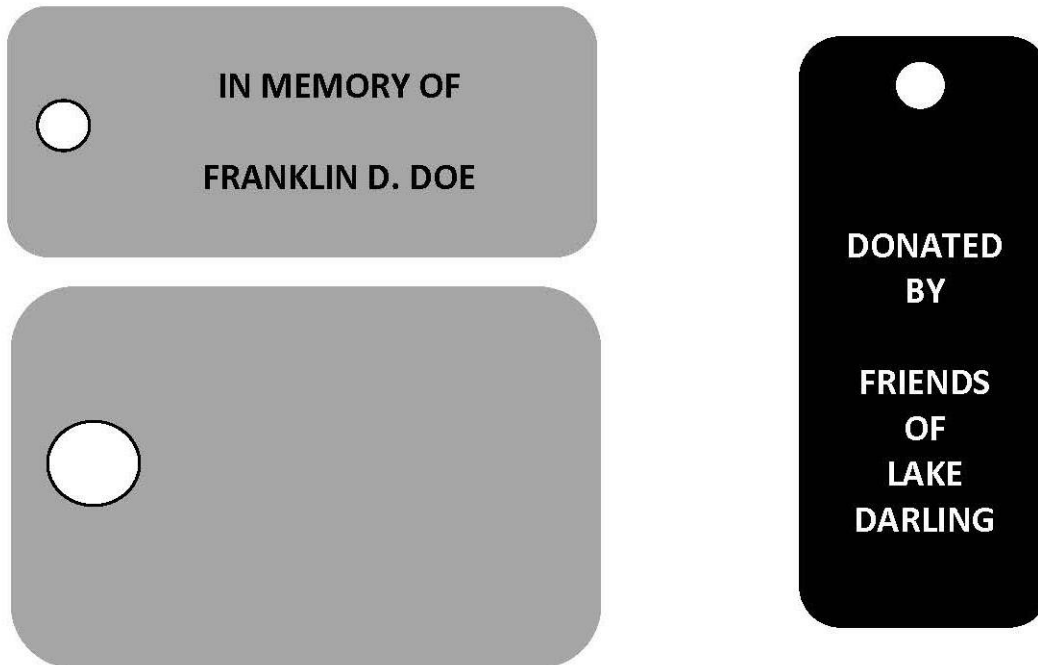
Tree Stakes Cost: _____

Mulching Cost: _____

Other Costs: _____

TOTAL DONATION AMOUNT: _____

MEMORIAL TREE TAG OPTIONS



MEMORIAL TREE SPECIES OPTIONS

Approved State Wide:

- White Oak
- Red Oak
- Chinkapin Oak
- Pin Oak
- Bur Oak
- Baldcypress
- Kentucky Coffeetree
- Hackberry
- Norway Spruce
- White Pine
- Honey Locust (Seedless, thornless variety)

Trees Recommended to Avoid:

- Maple
- Aspen
- Hybrid Poplar
- Cottonwood
- Basswood
- Hickory