UT Gardens, Knoxville Tributes and Memorials

The UT Gardens (UTG), Knoxville are a wonderful respite in the middle of our city. They offer an opportunity for people to connect with nature in mind, body and spirit. They can also serve as a living sanctuary for those seeking reflection and solace at difficult times or to honor someone in happy times. UT Gardens has several ways that you can remember or honor a loved one with a living legacy or lasting tribute.

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Tribute and Memorial Trees - $1000 or $2500

Honor or memorialize a friend or loved one with a gift that continues to grow. Choose either an existing tree in our collection for $1000 or plant a tree you select for $2500.

- A 5 x 7” anodized aluminum tree plaque will be placed at base of tree. This will be coordinated through UTG and the manufacturer. Plaque will include person(s) honored, species and common names, and can include other information or quotes based on space restraints.
- Existing tree may be chosen by the donor from among any tree in the collection.
- New trees are chosen in consultation with UTG staff. To insure optimum growing success, trees are usually 1/2” caliper or less and about 3’-4’ tall.
- Location will be determined based on the growing requirements.
- Plants are guaranteed for the life of the tree or the plans of the Garden. Tree replacement will be supplied by UTG if the tree fails or garden plans dictate.
- Donation will be recognized in an issue of Cultivate – the UT Gardens biannual magazine.
- If a dedication ceremony is desired rental fee will be waived.

Tribute and Memorials on Marble Donor Wall - $3000

Create a lasting memorial or tribute with a leaf on our marble donor wall located on the Friendship Plaza at the entrance to the Gardens.

- Text is limited to two lines and typically includes only the honoree’s name.
- Donation will be recognized in an issue of Cultivate – the UT Gardens biannual magazine.

Tribute and Memorial Benches - $5000 or $7500

Honor or memorialize a friend or loved one with a gift that provides seating for reflection and memories. 6’ benches are $5000; 8’ benches are $7500.

- Donation includes an embossed bronze plaque approximately 7.5 x 4.5” in size and can have up to seven lines of text. Plaque details will be coordinated through UTG with manufacturer.
- Plaques can contain an engraved portrait for an additional $500.
- Placement can be determined by donor in consultation with UTG.
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**Celebration of Life Ceremonies - $150 and up**

The UT Gardens offer a variety of setting appropriate for Celebration of Life Ceremonies. Contact Holly Jones at 865-974-9266

**Other Recognition Opportunities**

Other opportunities for honoring or remembering someone you loved are also available including sculptures, garden structures, new display gardens, and endowments. Contact Tom Looney in office of Institutional Advancement at 865-974-1928 for information on how you can honor or remember a loved one while helping the UT Gardens grow.

**Your gift may be tax deductible. Please check with your tax accountant or advisor.**

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