

Memorial Forest Program Expands

Creating forests as a living memorial of our loved ones

Memorial Forests are a natural, lasting tribute to loved ones. For 20 years, the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority has been partnering with local funeral homes and municipalities, creating five Memorial Forests and planting over 11,000 native trees.

New to the Memorial Forest program – anyone may contact the UTRCA directly to have a tree planted in the Memorial Forest of their choice.

Trees range in price from \$20 to \$50, depending on where the tree is planted and the tree species. The family of the deceased receives an “In Memorium” card notifying them that a tree is being planted in memory of their loved one. A dedication service is held each fall at the London, St. Marys and Woodstock Memorial Forests.

The UTRCA’s Memorial Forest partners are:

- **London:** Logan Funeral Home and Evans Funeral Home Limited and the City of London
- **St. Marys & Area:** St. Marys Ministerial Association and local funeral homes
- **Thames Centre:** Municipality of Thames Centre and local funeral homes
- **Zorra Township:** Township of Zorra and local funeral homes
- **Woodstock:** City of Woodstock and Brock and Visser Funeral Home Burial and Cremation Services Ltd.

The UTRCA welcomes other organizations and individuals who wish to join us in the Memorial Forest program. Please contact Karen Pugh at pughk@thamesriver.on.ca or (519) 451-2800 ext. 252 or @UTRCAmarketing for more information.

To see a video about the UTRCA’s Memorial Forest program, go to http://youtu.be/AiZfLTv_P_s or click on the YouTube icon on our website www.thamesriver.on.ca

