

# Legacy Creative Guide



Honor a Friendship

Remember a Loved One

Create a Legacy

## Personalizing a Memory

Life is a tapestry of memories, celebrated moments, love and sharing. Remembering and reflecting on your cherished memories provides options for personalizing your memorial. Unique designs can be created to give a personal touch to your memorial forever. You can personalize a memory through wording, design or the artistic elements of a memorial.

## The First Step is Reflection

How we live and love is what matters most in life. How did your loved one's life touch yourself and others? What was their gift? The following is a creative guide meant to help you and your family in choosing a suitable memorial. The first step is for you and your family to reflect, remember and not forget their precious memories. If you choose, you can spend private time reflecting and sharing as a family. Any method you choose to do this is fine. The point of the exercise is for you and your family to become more creative in your thought process on memorialization. Also, resist the temptation to edit your choices too quickly. Once you have completed this meaningful step, you can then meet with an Authorized Memorial Counselor who will work with you to begin the collaborative process of creating a meaningful memorial.

## Vital Information

Given Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Death \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse Given Name \_\_\_\_\_

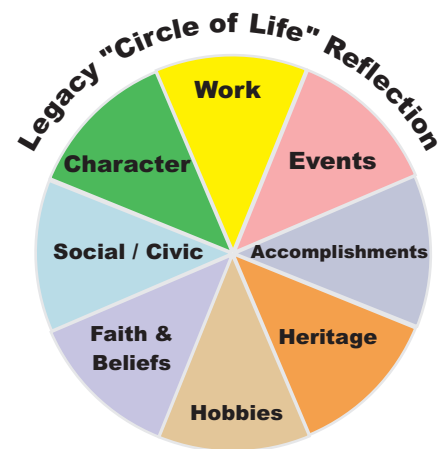
Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Death \_\_\_\_\_

Wedding Date \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Names \_\_\_\_\_

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Cemetery \_\_\_\_\_

Section \_\_\_\_\_

Block/Lot \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Burial Position \_\_\_\_\_

(For Example Man on left / Woman on right)

# Faith and Beliefs

Faith and beliefs can be a central part of our lives. To what extent is faith a part of the life and beliefs of your loved one? If you were able to express faith and beliefs on the memorial, how would you like to creatively accomplish that?

Religious Designs



Religious Lettering



Religious Artistic Elements



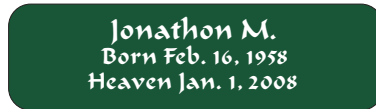
# Events and Occasions

We all have times in our lives that are memorable and special. The date of our birth and death are important. However, we also have weddings, graduations, and reunions that can be important. What events or occasions are special that you want to remember?

Events and Occasion Designs



Event and Occasions Lettering



Event & Occasions Artistic Elements



# Work

We spend more time working than almost anything in our lives. For some, our profession defines who we are. To what extent is work a part of the life of your loved one? Is work something you want to express? How would you like to creatively accomplish that?

Work Designs



Work Lettering



Work Artistic Elements



## Accomplishments

The goals and dreams we have provide us purpose in life. What accomplishments made your loved one proud? What accomplishments are important in your loved one's life? How would you like to express their accomplishments?

Accomplishment Designs



Accomplishments Lettering

STATE CHAMPION 1999  
ORDAINED FEB. 12, 1988

Accomplishment Artistic Elements



## Character and Traits

Our personality is what makes each of us unique. The character and traits of our love ones make them real and special. Humor, passion, loving, gentle, and determined are just a few examples of traits. What personality character and traits do you want to remember?

Character & Trait Designs



Character & Trait Lettering

Generous of Heart & Spirit  
*Kind, Gentle, Loving*

Character & Trait Artistic Elements



## Family Heritage

Our family history and heritage define who we are and where we came from. Family heritage can be expressed through genealogy or ethnic symbolism. Is your family heritage something you would like to express? How would you like to creatively accomplish that?

Family Heritage Designs



Family Heritage Lettering

Irish Eyes are Smiling  
*Kind, Gentle, Loving*

Family Heritage Artistic Elements



## Social and Civic Contributions

Our involvement in the communities in which we live have an important role in improving the lives of others. Clubs and organizations can provide us purpose in life. What social and civic contributions did your loved one have? How would you express their contributions?

Social & Civic Designs



Social & Civic Lettering

MAYOR OF BELLE PLAIN  
EVERYONE IN TOWN LOVED HIM

Social & Civic Artistic Elements



## Interests and Hobbies

Our interest and hobbies provide passion and excitement in our lives. What are the interests and hobbies of your loved one? How important were interests and hobbies in their life? How would you like to remember their interests and hobbies?

Interest & Hobbies Designs



Interest & Hobbies Lettering

Golfing with the Lord  
Gone Fishing

Interest & Hobbies Artistic Elements



## The Next Step

The next step is for you to decide which memories you want to remember. Choose the memories and reflections that tell the strongest story. Once you have completed this creative reflection process you will then meet with an Authorized Memorial Counselor who will work with you and your family to begin the collaborative process of designing a personalized, respectful and appropriate memorial. He/She will guide you through all the memorial options of types, styles, sizes and colors. Slowly, one step after another, you will choose what is important to you and your family. He/She will work with you on design, lettering and artistic elements that you want to be reflected in the memorial. You will only do this once; you want to take the time to do it right. Their experience will help you make sure you stay within your budget and create a memorial that reflects the important memories of your loved one.