

Free Library of Northampton Township

Memorial and Honor Book Program

Say it with Books!

Memorial Books are thoughtful, tangible ways to celebrate the memory of a loved one. Honor Books may mark a special occasion (birthday, wedding or anniversary), glory in an achievement (graduation, new job), or just say “I love you” to an exceptional person or pet.

How does it work?

The donor completes the library’s Memorial and Honor Book Program form which requests information about you, the donor, and about the person being memorialized or honored.

You may specify a subject area for the book (see suggestions listed below) or the librarian will select a book in an area in need of new materials.

How much does it cost?

Donations for book requests begin at \$25.00. A larger gift enables the library to purchase a more expensive book or more than one \$25.00 book. The gift is tax deductible.

Where will my gift go?

Your gift of a book will be added to the library’s collection of where it can be enjoyed by all.

Will an acknowledgement be sent?

Yes. An acknowledgement goes to both the donor and the family of the person memorialized or to the person being honored. A bookplate naming the donor and the person recognized is placed in the front of each book.

How long does it take?

Each order is handled personally. Book orders could take a month. Additional time is needed to process the requested book(s) and this may take up to two weeks after it’s received.

How long will the book be in the library?

Memorial/Honor books are lasting tributes. Gift items will be withdrawn from the collection according to the same criteria used with for Collection Management overall, and the library cannot assume responsibility for notifying the donor of the withdrawal. Additionally, the library is not responsible for replacing lost copies or worn-out copies of the gift item.

Subject Area Suggestions

Browse the areas below or consult with a librarian if you require help in selecting a topic area.

Fiction: mysteries, westerns, science fiction, romance, horror

Large Print: either fiction or nonfiction

Nonfiction

Generalities (computers, publishing, journalism)

Philosophy & Psychology

Religion (theology, devotional, inspirational, mythology, history of religions)

Education

Language (dictionaries, English or foreign languages, grammar)

Natural Sciences (animals, plants, man, astronomy, chemistry, physics, or geology)

Mathematics

Medicine (includes nutrition, fitness)

Do-It-Yourself books

Technology

Gardening

Pet Care and Training

Cooking

Business

Child Care and Development

Arts & Crafts (painting, sculpture, dance, film, photography, knitting, or crochet)

Sports

Literature (classics, literary criticism, essays, speeches, drama)

History & Geography (world history, American history, local history, wars)

Children's Books

Easy Picture Books or Easy Readers

Juvenile Fiction (elementary school-age chapter books)

Juvenile Nonfiction (elementary school-age books in a subject area listed above)

Young Adult Fiction (teen novels)