Honor Your Loved One’s Memory With a Memorial Fund

A special and simple way to remember someone you love

When faced with a personal loss, family and friends often want a way to honor and memorialize a loved one in a special and meaningful way.

Establishing a Memorial Fund with the Elk County Community Foundation offers a way to turn memorial gifts into a lasting legacy that will make a difference for our community for years to come. Gifts to a Community Foundation Memorial Fund are tax deductible.

When you are ready — at a less stressful time — the Foundation will work with you to determine the charitable organizations or scholarship program that will ultimately benefit from the Memorial Fund.

For assistance please ask your funeral director.

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Dick Fava was a husband, father, and an active member of the Ridgway Volunteer Fire Department. Dick had a strong desire to see that his children and all kids had the opportunity to go to college and have a successful life. For that reason, when Dick unexpectedly passed away at 42, his family, friends and fellow fire fighters decided to set up a scholarship in his memory, to fulfill his wishes.

The Corporal Adam M. Wolfel Scholarship Fund was established by his family to honor his memory after succumbing to PTSD. Adam was a 2009 graduate of St. Marys Area High School who served in the Marine Corps as a rifleman and machine gunner. He was honorably discharged in 2013. Adam loved spending time with his family and was an avid outdoorsman.

Patty Walters Memorial Scholarship Fund was established by her family and her Northwest Savings Bank co-workers after she lost her battle with cancer. Patty was a resident of Johnsonburg who loved the outdoors and her community. Her scholarship is given to a Johnsonburg Area High School student attending a post-secondary university.

Honoring Your Loved One Is Simple

- You or your funeral director contact the Community Foundation about your loved one’s Memorial Fund.
- Your funeral director will include a notice of the Memorial Fund in the obituary.
- The Foundation will keep an accurate record of all gifts to the Memorial Fund.
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