



AROUND THE PARK

The Newsletter of White Haven Memorial Park and Canandaigua Lakeview Cemetery

Upcoming

Wednesday, Nov. 5th
Flower Removal at 8:00am

Saturday, Nov. 15th
First Day for Wreaths

Thursday, Nov. 27th
Thanksgiving Day
Office Closed, Park open

Saturday, Dec. 6th
Remembrance Service
3:00 pm
All Seasons Chapel

Thursday, Dec. 25th
Christmas Day
Office closed, Park open

Thursday, Jan. 1st
New Year's Day
Office closed, Park open

Monday, Jan. 19th
Martin Luther King Day
Office open, Park open

February 1st

LAST DAY FOR WREATHS
All wreaths will be taken off
starting at 8:00 am

At White Haven Memorial Park, we respect and honor the value of every customer, family, employee, and community member we serve.

We honor all equally in life and in death. We value diversity and inclusiveness of all religious beliefs, cultures, and ethnicities as we help to ease the loss of a loved one, offering compassion and empathy to all we serve in our community.

Holiday Service of Remembrance

SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, December 6th at 3:00 pm

All Seasons Chapel

Join us for our Annual Holiday Service of Remembrance. We plan on gathering together to remember those we have lost and to celebrate what they brought into our lives and what they left in our hearts.

We are happy to have Madrigalia join us again this year. We will reflect on our loved ones as we listen to the beautiful music performed by them.

Our service will feature music, prayers, poetry, a slideshow of photos and of course, our traditional Prayer of Names. After our service we will be having light refreshments in our gathering room.

To have your loved ones picture in the photo presentation, you can drop them off at the office or email a JPEG file to: nate@whitehavenmemorialpark.com

The cut-off date to submit photos and names for this event is

Monday, December 1st

If you have any questions, call the office at 585-586-5250.

Flower and Wreath Reminders

Wednesday, November 5th is the LAST day for flower arrangements on graves. Starting on Nov. 5th at 8:00 am, we will remove any remaining flowers. We will also be turning off all water in the Park.

Tuesday, November 11th is Veterans Day. You may place an American flag on the grave of a veteran on Veterans Day. Please place the flag directly in the ground rather than using the vase cup.

Saturday, November 15th is the FIRST day that wreaths are permitted on the grounds. We need the time between the 6th and the 14th of November to clear our grounds of all decorations and leaves before the snow starts to fall.

WREATH REMOVAL is FEBRUARY 1st.

Wreath & Flower Program

White Haven has wreaths and silk flowers available for purchase. If you would like more information on these programs, call us at 585-586-5250.

Tree of Remembrance



Our Tree of Remembrance will be in the small gazebo in the front parking lot. You are welcome to bring your non-breakable ornaments (no glass) in memory of your loved one and hang it on the tree. Our tree will be lit in the evening. The tree will be up and ready on Monday, November 24th. Because the ornaments will be exposed to the elements throughout December, please be aware that we are not responsible for lost, broken or missing ornaments. We are also asking if you would like your ornament back, please remove it by Monday, January 5, 2025 at 8am. All remaining ornaments will be discarded.

Events at White Haven

A **Pet Blessing** was held on September 28, 2025

This is always a fun and uplifting event. We had a wonderful turn out and we blessed over 25 of our fur babies. Put it on your calendar for next September!

On September 28, 2025 we hosted a **Gold Star Event** to honor service men and women who have sacrificed their lives while serving in the military. It is an honor to support and recognize the brave and courageous soldiers and their families. This event was presented by Blue Star Mothers of Rochester, NY8.

Please join us next year as we celebrate and pay tribute to our service men and women and their families. Call the office if you would like more information.

We have an ongoing partnership with **The Bird House on Monroe Ave.** We hosted a variety of walks, talks, star gazing, and even an owl prowl. **Join us on October 30th at 7:00 pm in our All Seasons Chapel as we host a book talk with The Bird House and Randi Minetor, author of eight books in a series called "Death in the National Parks".** Randi will share what her research reveals about people who perish in the parks and tips on how to avoid your own disasters.

We continue our partnership with **St. John Fisher University** and a local funeral director, Marika McMeans. A few weeks ago a group of students taking a death and afterlife class took a tour of the Park and a few days later we joined them at the University for questions and answers. The students were inquisitive and walked away with a better understanding of the death care industry.

Looking ahead, we hope to build on the success of this year's programs, expanding our educational offerings and continuing to celebrate the abundant natural resources and wildlife at our cemetery.



Memorial Gifts July 2024 – Sept. 2025

Concrete Benches Donated in memory of: The Cooper Family, The Shadunsky Family, Virginia Bach, Mitchell Quinn Austin, Emanuel Lazerson and Eric Ackerman.

Composite Benches Donated in memory of: Thomas Leoboldt and R. Terry Dunning.

Trees Donated in memory of: Mary L. Balme and Jane & Hatton Zimmerman.

Memorial Benches in All Seasons

You may have noticed the new benches in the corridors of our All Seasons Chapel. These offer a heartfelt and lasting way to honor someone special, providing a peaceful place for visitors to pause and reflect. To dedicate a bench, or other meaningful gift contact Terri at 585-586-5250 or terri@whitehavenmemorialpark.com for pricing and details.



All of the donations will go towards our Preservation Foundation. The Preservation Foundation is a 501 (3) (c) charitable organization dedicated to the preservation of White Haven's trees, wildlife, natural resources, historical & architectural features & buildings. If you would like more information on a memorial gift, call or email Terri at 585-586-5250 (terri@whitehavenmemorialpark.com) for more information. We have also included a donation envelope if you would like to donate to the Foundation.

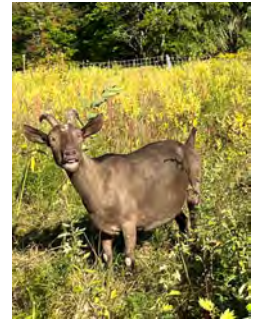
Goats, Not Ghosts!

White Haven Memorial Park partnered with Kaizen Ridge Farms for an eco-friendly fall clean-up. This fall, White Haven Memorial Park embraced an eco-friendly twist on traditional landscape maintenance. In partnership with Kaizen Ridge Farms, we welcomed a team of unexpected but highly effective groundskeepers: GOATS!

As part of our ongoing commitment to sustainability and in keeping with our status as a Certified Audubon Sanctuary, these goats helped manage seasonal brush cleanup across the Park. Their mission was to munch their way through invasive species like poison ivy, offering a natural, chemical-free solution for ground cover removal.

“We are always looking for the best options to care for our wildlife and natural spaces,” says JudieLynn Nassar McAvinney, President and CEO of White Haven Memorial Park. *“We were thrilled to be collaborating with Kaizen Ridge Farms to bring in another sustainable method for Park maintenance.”*

The goats arrived on Wednesday, September 17th, and were here for the day. Many visitors came to see them in action as they roamed, grazed, and did their part to keep the Park healthy and beautiful.



New Mausoleums

If you've had the opportunity to visit White Haven recently, you've likely noticed the progress we're making on the construction of our two new mausoleums. This marks the beginning of the Edgewood Garden Mausoleum Complex—a visionary project that will unfold over the next 25 years.

Once complete, the complex will feature a total of 10-12 beautifully designed buildings, surrounding a serene and thoughtfully landscaped garden park. This space will include peaceful water features, a meditative labyrinth, a columbarium, an ossuary, and quiet areas to sit, reflect, and remember.

The mausoleums will offer spaces for both full-body and cremated burials. For families who prefer an indoor setting, a portion of the mausoleums will be enclosed in glass, allowing loved ones to be interred within a protected and light-filled environment.

Throughout the entire project, we remain committed to honoring and protecting our natural resources, ensuring they are preserved and celebrated for generations to come.



ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

In an effort to reduce our postage cost and be more eco-friendly, we would like to offer this newsletter electronically. If you would prefer to have this publication emailed to you, please send your email to terri@whitehavenmemorialpark.com



White Haven Memorial Park
210 Marsh Road
Pittsford, NY 14534

PRSR STD
US POSTAGE
PAID
PERMIT 973
ROCHESTER, NY



DID YOU KNOW...

We have over two miles of trails that are great for hiking, dog walking, snowshoeing and cross country skiing. As an Audubon Sanctuary, we are sure you will see some wildlife along the way.

White Haven Memorial Park

We Are Here For You

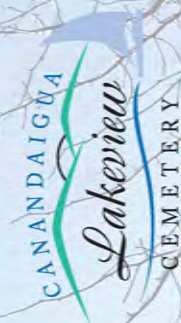
Our Pittsford location is Audubon Certified and a Level II Arboretum. Our park-like setting will provide peace & comfort while you visit.

Our Canandaigua Lakeview Cemetery sits on quiet hillside on the east side of the lake. It offers the most serene and intimate location for you to reflect on your loved one.

We have a wide variety of settings and a full range of options for both full casket and cremation burials. Throughout all of our Park you will find large mature trees, colorful gardens and many places to sit, reflect and connect with your loved ones.

The Basin Pond is our newest addition to The Nature Trail. These cremation sites are in a peaceful & natural setting. The centerpiece is a man-made pond with a tranquil fountain in the middle. This area is nearing completion. Call to schedule your tour today.

We have several mausoleum buildings to choose from and they each have their own unique features and styles. You can choose a crypt, niche or even a combination crypt. We have many inside or outside locations available.



210 Marsh Road
Pittsford, NY 14534
585.586.5250
www.whitehavenmemorialpark.com

