

Erie County Parks, Recreation and Forestry

Memorial Policy (effective April 2023)

1. The only type of commemoration which will be allowed on Erie County Parks property is the (a) commemorative tree(s).
2. Installation of any physical amenity other than a tree for the purpose of a commemoration will not be approved and will be removed by Parks staff (*effective April 2023*). Examples of commemorate items which will **not** be approved include but are not limited to the following: benches, picnic tables, plaques, stone sculptures, trail signs/names, signs, etc.
3. Installation of *new* commemorative plaques, signage, or wording upon amenities already in place will be removed.
4. Physical commemorative items which were approved and installed on Parks property prior to the effective date on this policy will be allowed to remain and will only be removed if deemed damaged or unsafe to the public.
5. Members of the public may not plant trees within the Parks on their own. Members of the public are welcome to assist Parks staff with planting of Commemorative Trees.
6. Commemorative Trees may only be planted by Parks staff as per the procedure outlined below.