

Instructions for Memorial Bench Donations

Gifford Pinchot State Park

Thank you for considering the donation of a park bench, and for considering Gifford Pinchot State Park as a place worthy to remember someone close to you. A \$600 donation will fund the purchase and installation of a fixed park bench, six feet in length. Personalized placard options are a separate cost, exchanged with a local business.

1) Pick a Location

A map of pre-approved bench locations is available at the park office by request. We encourage you to visit the potential sites and select three that would work for you. Because we may have several memorial bench requests in progress at the same time, locations will be allotted on a first come, first served basis. Once your locations are selected, send an email to the park at giffordpinchosp@pa.gov that includes the selected bench locations in order of desirability, your name, and your phone number.

2) Donate by check

A \$600 donation will be accepted by the park's associated non-profit group, the Friends of Pinchot Park. A check for \$600, made out to "Pennsylvania Parks and Forests Foundation", with the memo "Pinchot memorial bench", can be delivered or mailed to the Gifford Pinchot State Park office, addressed as follows:

Friends of Pinchot Park
2200 Rosstown Rd.
Lewisberry PA, 17339

This \$600 donation covers the cost and installation of the bench, but does not include a personalized placard.

3) Timeline

The donation of a park bench is very much appreciated, and the significance of its placement in the park is very important to park staff. That said, park staff cannot guarantee the timeline for installation, only that every effort will be made to install the bench in a timely manner, as staffing, the park's maintenance needs, and seasonal demands allow. When the bench is installed, the park will notify you.

4) Options for a personalized placard

There are two local businesses (listed below) that offer options for a personalized 4 by 8-inch placard that can be affixed to your memorial bench. For your convenience, each business has the proper placard size and dimensions for our park benches already on file. They will work with you to personalize your message and can provide you with pricing details. If you choose to order your placard from a business other than one listed below, a sizing template can be provided upon request to ensure proper placement of mounting hardware.

1. Olde Mill Impressions in Mechanicsburg PA offers options in cast aluminum or bronze, and can mail the finished placard directly to the park office for your convenience. 717-691-1320
2. T&J Giftland Trophies in York PA offers an economical exterior grade plastic option, as well as cast aluminum or bronze. 717-845-4434

(Personalization Examples)

In honor of _____ (dates)	In memory of _____ (dates)	In loving memory of _____ (dates)
Remembered always (dates)	Fond memories of _____ (dates)	You will be missed (dates)