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Check one.

<input type="checkbox"/>	I will pay electronically. Visit mass.gov/support-the-garden-of-peace to pay online.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Enclosed is a check for \$150, payment in full for engraving.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Enclosed is a check for \$ _____, partial payment for engraving.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Enclosed is a check for \$ _____, representing \$150 for engraving plus an additional donation.*
<input type="checkbox"/>	Please contact me regarding a payment plan and/or financial assistance.

*As an agency of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Mass. Office for Victim Assistance (MOVA) is considered a charitable organization pursuant to 26 U.S. Code § 170. Donations are used solely for the public purpose of supporting the Garden of Peace. Written confirmation of the preceding, your donation amount, and the Commonwealth's Tax Identification Number will be provided to you upon receipt of your donation.

Stories Behind the Names

See back middle panel for more information.

Are in you interested in preparing a story of your loved one to be posted on the Garden of Peace website?

Yes No, or not at this time

If Yes, we will provide guidance when we speak with you. We'd welcome the privilege of working with you on this at that time or any time in the future.

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Stories Behind the Names

Telling the story of your loved one.

- Behind the names in the Garden of Peace are real people, including someone you loved.
- It's important their stories are told to memorialize the lives they lived, and so others can know who and what's been lost.
- Woven together, *Stories Behind the Names* provide a powerful reminder of the impact of violence and ideally will inspire work for a world of peace and hope.
- If you'd like to share a written story of your loved one for inclusion on the Garden of Peace website, please indicate it on your application or call or email us any time.
- Only stories of victims memorialized in the Garden of Peace are included in this project and must be submitted by family or with the family's support. All stories are limited in size and subject to edits, which will be discussed with you before posting.

Guidelines for Stories Behind the Names

The questions below are intended to help you tell your loved one's story.

What would you like others to know about them and their life? For example—

- What or who did they enjoy and/or love?
- What or who made them the happy?
- Who or what inspired them?
- What are some important or fun memories you and others have of them?
- What do you and/or others miss most about them?
- What is their legacy?



the GARDEN of PEACE

A MEMORIAL TO VICTIMS OF HOMICIDE

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Remembering Your Loved One

The Garden of Peace was established in 2004 as a Massachusetts memorial to victims of homicide, located in Boston near the State House. The Garden is a place where families, friends, and the larger community may remember and honor the lives of those taken by violence. It serves as an enduring reminder of the impact of violence and a visual testament of the need to eliminate it. The Garden is intended to be a symbol of hope, peace, and renewal. We invite you to add the name of your loved one to the Garden of Peace.

Application Guidelines

- **Victim of Homicide.** The victim's death must have been the direct result of a crime committed against them.
- **Connection to Massachusetts.** The victim must have a connection to Massachusetts—typically the victim's place of birth, death, residence, or family's residence.
- **Family consent.** For applications made by someone other than an immediate family member, whenever feasible, MOVA will consult with immediate family. Even within families, we encourage applicants to communicate about the intent to submit an application for engraving.
- **Confirmation of application.** You will be contacted to confirm receipt of your application and its eligibility. Please contact 617-586-1369 or gardenofpeace@mass.gov if you have questions in the meantime.

Engravings

- Each engraving includes the victim's name, date of birth, and date of death.
- Engravings are completed once a year, just prior to the annual honor program each September.
- The annual due date for applications is August 1st. Applications received after that date may be held for engraving the following year.
- Because of space limitations, since 2011, all engravings have been made on the walls surrounding the Garden.

Cost

- Current cost for engraving is \$150. This is subject to change.
- Payment in full is appreciated; partial payment would be welcome.
- Applications will not be approved or denied based on ability to pay.
- Payments may be made by check payable to MOVA/Garden of Peace. Mail application and payment to MOVA/Garden of Peace, One Ashburton Pl., Suite 1101, Boston, MA 02108.
- Payments may also be made online at www.mass.gov/support-the-garden-of-peace.
- Payment will be accepted from family, friends, or other supporters.
- Please ask us about payment plans or financial assistance. Payment for engraving may be reimbursable through the Mass. Victims of Violent Crime Compensation program or another state's program. Information about these programs will be provided to you.

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Application for Garden of Peace Engraving

Victim Information

Full Name
Date of Birth
Date of Death
Connection to Massachusetts <i>Check all that apply.</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Birthplace <input type="checkbox"/> Place of death <input type="checkbox"/> Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Family's residence <input type="checkbox"/> Other, specify:

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Applicant Information

Full Name
Mailing Address
Phone
Email
Relationship to Victim I am the victim's:

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