

SPECIAL GRETNA MEMORIAL DAY EVENT

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Memorial Day, originally called Decoration Day, is a day of remembrance for those who have died in service of the United States of America. It is an American holiday, observed on the last Monday in May. With the holiday falling on a Monday, most individuals have a three day weekend to enjoy time off with family and friends.

Your Gretna Arbor Society (Tree Board) has come up with a unique way to celebrate this special American holiday by establishing a tree planting event on Saturday the 25th of May in Founders Parks starting at 9:00am. Founders Park is located just behind Gretna City Hall. A total of 28 seed grown Nebraska trees grow at Great Plains Nursery just outside of Weston, Nebraska will be planted in the park. A Celebrate Trees Grant in the amount of \$2,500.00 was received from the Papio-Missouri River Natural Resources District (NRD) to cover the cost of the trees and tree planting.

So bring out the family, relatives, friends and neighbors to take the time to remember a special person who died serving their county by planting a tree in their remembrance this Memorial Day weekend.



Founders Memorial park Oak bed. Three Oak trees each dedicated to the following Gretna Founders: William Langdon Family, John Conner Family and John Squire Thomas Family.