Living Memorial Gardens Angel of Hope Project

October 25, 2013, will mark the 5th Anniversary of our Angel of Hope's arrival to the Living Memorial Gardens. We are grateful for the support we have received from each of you in our "build it and they will come" vision to make this Angel of Hope Project a reality. The Angel of Hope, as well as the Living Memorial Gardens, has been a labor of love dedicated to those who left us too soon. Each memorial at the Angel of Hope is a unique reflection of the love and happy memories you shared with your loved one. To place those sentiments in granite forever, in such a beautiful, peaceful surrounding has been most fulfilling to each of us involved in the Angel of Hope Project.

To commemorate our 5th year, we have chosen to offer the granite tiles for \$100.00 less, as we did during our first year of fundraising. During that first year and prior to the arrival of the Angel to the Living Memorial Gardens, approximately 100 tiles were completed and placed at the Gardens. We now have approximately 100 Memory Wall Tiles and Capstones remaining. Since many of you were part of our "First 100", we would like you to be a part of our "Last 100" in completing the Angel of Hope Project.

We have given great thought in how best to bring the Angel of Hope Project to its completion. We certainly wish to make this happen while we can all remain a part of the Project, including Lloyd and Carolyn, Rita and Steve, Kathy Scripp, Canarae Tarpenning and the Board members of the Living Memorial Gardens, as well as Lou Ann Herstead in designing each tile, and the Herstead shop crew in engraving and placement.

All costs of the Angel of Hope Project are paid in full, thanks to your generosity. Your adoption of the final Tiles and Capstones will be included in a "Perpetual Care Fund" within the Living Memorial Gardens' treasury to cover the costs of upkeep of the Angel of Hope for many years (surveillance cameras/computer and lighting, replacement of the American Flag, etc.).

Again, we are most grateful to each of you for your support of the Angel of Hope.

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Hope is a rare gift that, if we are lucky, comes to us with the power to heal our lives.

I've come to know that the deepest sense of hope often springs from the hardest lessons in life.

It is in the darkest skies that stars are best seen... perhaps it is the divine irony that within the darkest moments we are capable of revealing the greatest light, demonstrating what is best in humanity.