



The Loraine Minish-Cooper Garden of Hope

Memorial Plaque Program

About the garden

The Garden of Hope was founded 2003 in memory of Loraine-Minish Cooper, a long-time Yellowknifer, devoted community member, and avid gardener. Loraine was diagnosed with breast cancer in 1998. Over the next four years, she fought courageously for her life, and worked tirelessly to improve breast cancer services for women in the Northwest Territories, helping to establish the Yellowknife Breast Cancer Survivors Support Group, and serving on the NWT Breast Health/Breast Cancer Action Group. In the final weeks of her life, Loraine was told of a plan to establish a garden in her name. Loraine believed in the power of hope, and it was her wish that this garden would serve as a place of hope, peace and comfort to others. The garden was lovingly constructed by Loraine's family, friends and volunteers in 2003. Over the next 15 years, dedicated community members maintained and expanded the garden. It is now maintained by the City of Yellowknife as a lasting testament to a remarkable woman, and a public place of beauty and peace for all.

About the plaques

The Memorial Plaque Program offers Yellowknifers and others the opportunity to dedicate a spot in the garden to their loved ones. All plaques follow the same specifications, and are mounted onto posts at the bottom of the garden. Each plaque costs \$200, and all proceeds go towards the maintenance of the garden. To request a plaque, please submit a Memorial Plaque order form by email or in-person at the City of Yellowknife. For more information or to request a form, please contact: [EMAIL] or [PHONE].

Specifications

Plaques are 4 inches x 4.5 inches and come in gold or silver finish, with an option of gold or black engraving. Plaques follow the format:

- ❖ Name of dedicatee (s)
- ❖ Birth and death date
- ❖ Message of one's choice
- ❖ Name of dedicator(s)

Plaques cannot include photos, but up to two simple symbols will be permitted per plaque.



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ORDER FORM

Please fill out the form below to order your memorial plaque. For special requests, please contact the city of Yellowknife at: [email address] or [phone number]

Plaque finish:	☐ Gold	☐ Silver
Engraving colour:	☐ Gold	☐ Black
Name(s) to appear on the plaque:		
Dates you would like to appear on the plaque: (N.B.: You may leave blank if you wish)		
Message to appear on plaque:		
Names of dedicatees to appear on the plaque (may include a short closing, e.g. 'Love always')		
Special symbols requested?	☐ Yes	☐ No

Your name:

Phone number:

email:

Preferred payment method:

☐ Cash

☐ Credit Card ☐ Cheque