A tree in tribute to a friend or loved one is a wonderful gift that continues to grow. Choose from a variety of different tree species in our collections, or have the Matthaei-Nichols Curator choose for you. All trees available as tribute gifts have been planted and established in areas that best fit our historic landscape plans. Pre-planting a tree ensures its health and longevity while also advancing our environmental stewardship goals. Your tribute tree gift directly supports the care and maintenance of our many display gardens, trails, and natural areas and is a 100% tax-deductible contribution to the University of Michigan. Each tribute tree gift comes with:

- An anodized aluminum tree plaque identifying the tree species, origin of nativity, and person(s) honored.
- Tree maintenance for a period of 20 years effectively beginning on the day of memorialization, including tree replacement if deemed necessary. Matthaei-Nichols will review the tree condition after the 20 year term and will contact the donor to discuss options for renewing the tree gift.
- A digital archive of the tree available for public view on Matthaei-Nichols’ ‘Tribute Tracker.’ The archive record will include an accompanying photo and map of the memorial tree gift.
- Recognition on our Donor Honor Roll published each year in the Annual Report.
Priority Tribute Trees at Nichols Arboretum

1. Gateway Garden & Washington Heights
   Serviceberry - Amelanchier spp.

2. Peony Garden & Laurel Ridge
   Eastern White Pine - Pinus strobus
   Tree Peony Cultivars - Paeonia suffruticosa

3. Heathdale
   Flowering Dogwood - Cornus florida
   Bigleaf Magnolia - Magnolia macrophylla
   Striped Maple - Acer pensylvanicum

4. Wetland Boardwalk
   American Paw Paw - Asimina triloba

5. Main Valley & Maple Glen
   Various Oak Species - Quercus spp.
   American Sycamore - Platanus occidentalis

6. Centennial Shrub Collection & Geddes
   American Hophornbeam - Ostrya virginiana
   Bur Oak - Quercus macrocarpa

7. Magnolia Glen
   No current availabilities

8. Huron Riverfront
   Bur Oak - Quercus macrocarpa
   (opposite of river)
   American Sycamore - Platanus occidentalis
   Kentucky Coffeetree - Gymnocladus dioicus

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Not to Scale
Priority Tribute Trees at Matthaei Botanical Gardens

1. Gaffield Children’s Garden
   Quaking aspen - *Populus tremuloides*
   Sassafras - *Sassafras albidum*

2. Great Lakes Gardens & East Display Areas
   Black Oak - *Quercus velutina*
   Flowering Dogwood - *Cornus florida*
   Chinquapin Oak - *Quercus muehlenbergii*
   Serviceberry - *Amelanchier* spp.
   Eastern Tamarack - *Larix laricina*
   Eastern Redbud - *Cercis canadensis*
   Developing landscape, new trees and shrubs being added yearly.

3. Commons & Exhibit Gardens
   American Hackberry - *Celtis occidentalis*
   White Oak - *Quercus alba*
   Redbud - *Cercis canadensis*
   Jack Pine - *Pinus banksiana*
   Shingle Oak - *Quercus imbricaria*
   Princeton Elm - *Ulmus americana* ‘Princeton’
   Basswood - *Tilia americana*

4. Bonsai Display Garden
   All new trees under observation

5. Gateway Garden & Terrace
   White Oak - *Quercus alba*
   American Hackberry - *Celtis occidentalis*

6. Front Entry Garden
   (Under Transition and Planting)
   Flowering Dogwood - *Cornus florida*
   Serviceberry - *Amelanchier* spp.

7. Picnic Grove
   Gingko - *Gingko biloba*
   Black Cherry - *Prunus serotina*

Tribute Tag Example, Size: 2x6”

Yellow Birch
*Betula alleghaniensis*
Fagaceae

Native to North America

in tribute of
Herbert G. Wells
August 25 2010

Symbol Key

- Native to Europe
- Native to Eurasia
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