

You Live As Long As You Are

## REMEMBERED

A simple Russian proverb reminds us that the memory of a departed loved one lives always in our hearts, in our thoughts, and in our whole being. Though the sorrow remains, we are sustained by the teachings of our Lord that life is eternal and love is immortal.

In life we seek to love our family, friends, and neighbors. We speak kindly and do them good. We pray for them and forgive their wrongs. We reconcile with one another. Too soon, however, comes that time when our loved ones leave the earth; their breath goes back to God who gave it. Those who remain, even believers in the resurrection, feel the sadness that comes to all who experience this separation. The pain of loss may lessen but our desire and our duty to express our love to them does not. What can we do to express our love for the departed? If we are at a loss, we can pray, "Lord have Mercy!" We appeal to God's loving kindness to remember our loved ones and grant them mercy.

### THE WALL OF ETERNAL MEMORY

We are offered a tangible and visible way to continually express our love for and remembrance of those who have gone to their rest. Located in the secondary vestibule of the church, previously known as the handicapped entrance, will be a magnificent wall plaque enhanced by majestic fluted columns and displaying the names of loved ones on beautiful brushed brass nameplates. Engraved in gold at the bottom of the plaque is our prayer for the dead, *The Kontakion for Soul Saturdays*, which assures us that their souls are at peace and blessed with life everlasting. We pray you will preserve the memory of a loved one, a family member, or a friend by donating a memorial nameplate. It is a small yet powerful way we say to our departed, "I love you." We light a candle and appeal to God with the words, "May their memory be eternal!"

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# MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL



The eight foot wide by four foot high wood-grained mahogany laminate plaque was crafted by Partners in Recognition of Ft. Loramie, Ohio. Flanked by two fluted and gilded columns, it is mounted on the wall in the secondary vestibule, previously known as the handicapped entrance, of the church. The plaque holds 290 six inch by two inch brushed brass engraved nameplates containing one or two lines of names. Nameplates are affixed to the plaque magnetically and are easily rearranged as new names are added. Centered in the heart of the plaque is a brushed brass laminate Orthodox cross with a gold and red background. The border of the plaque is gold filled. Four Jerusalem crosses highlight each corner. The larger cross represents our crucified Christ, and the four smaller crosses surrounding it represent the four evangelists - Mathew, Mark, Luke, and John. *The Kontakion for Soul Saturdays*, our prayer for the departed, is engraved in gold at the bottom of the plaque and complements the visual remembrance of our loved ones.

The vestibule housing **THE WALL OF ETERNAL MEMORY** will be renovated to include leaded glass exterior doors, softly painted walls, enhanced lighting, and a candle stand. The anticipated date for the completion of the project is August 2021.

Millicent Dragovich

Stavros Alexopoulos  
Maria Pappas Alexopoulos

Nameplates are \$200 for one line or \$300 for two lines. Complete the attached form ensuring that the name is printed clearly and correctly.

I would like to donate a nameplate on **THE WALL OF ETERNAL MEMORY**. Nameplates are \$200 for one name or \$300 for two names.

**PLEASE ENSURE THE NAME IS PRINTED CLEARLY AND CORRECTLY**

Single Name - For a nameplate with one name, please print clearly the first/given and last name/surname.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Two Names - For a nameplate with two names, please print clearly the first/given and last names/surnames.

Name One: \_\_\_\_\_

Name Two: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*I acknowledge that I am responsible for ensuring that the names are spelled correctly*

Make your check payable to St. Andrew The Apostle Orthodox Church Attn: Wall of Eternal Memory, 33384 Mackenzie Way, Lewes, DE 19958. Checks and the completed form also may be placed in the offering basket or the offering box in the main vestibule of the church.

For further information please contact Father Herman Acker at 215-527-8571 or Council President Marty Smith at 914-720-1393