

Dear Worthy Chaplains:

As the Washington State Grange Chaplain, I encourage every Grange to conduct a Memorial Service in the spring.

The enclosed is to assist you in conducting the Memorial Service to honor your Grange brothers and sisters that have passed in the last twelve months. Please consider it as a guide, you may have your own Grange tradition that you would like to follow.

Please consider inviting family members to the Service so they may participate in the tribute your Grange pays to their loved one. I encourage each Grange to drape the Charter following the passing of one of your members. Additionally, you can drape the Charter as part of your Memorial Service. Reading the name of each member that has passed while placing flowers on the altar and reading a brief eulogy gives time to reflect on the memories of the lost member. The atmosphere can be enhanced by having a candle or candle alternative on the altar.

As Chaplain of your Grange, paying tribute and honoring past members is very important. Please conduct your Grange Memorial in a respectful way as you honor those that have passed on and left a legacy for all of us. If I can help you in any way, please contact me at [chojem@outlook.com](mailto:chojem@outlook.com) or call me at 253.244.8688.

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Carolyn Hojem, Chaplain  
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## Memorial Service

**Chaplain:** Worthy Master, may I have the Grange at ease.

Annually we remember our brothers and sisters who no longer walk among us but their spirit will forever be with us in our Grange activities and our hearts. Please join me in prayer.

Father God of Unfailing Love, we are gathered here today as friends and family of our loved one who departed from this world recently and came into your presence. Lord, it is not easy for us to stand here and eulogize our beloved, but we know that they are now together with You in heaven. As we honor the memory of our loved ones, let the unconditional love that you showered upon them during their life fill this service. Help us to learn how to love others like our beloved did when they were with us on earth. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

I am the resurrection and the Life, Saith the Lord: He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: and whosoever liveth and believeth in me, shall never die.

I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: and though his body be destroyed, yet shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not as a stranger.

We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out. The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord.

**Secretary:** Reads memorial names and a brief eulogy.

**Graces, Friends, or Family:** Place flowers on the altar as each name is read.

**Chaplain:** Revelation tells us, "And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look! God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death' or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away."

Eternal rest, grant unto them, O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May the souls of the faithful departed  
through the mercy of God rest in peace.  
Amen

Thank you, brothers and sisters. This concludes our Memorial Service.