

**Mendenhall Cemeteries Association
Annual Meeting Newsletter #31, July 2024**

Dear Friends and Supporters of Mendenhall Cemeteries,

As we enjoy the summer months and reflect on the progress made throughout the year, we are grateful for your continued support and contributions. Your generosity and dedication have enabled us to achieve significant milestones in maintaining and improving our cherished cemeteries. We are pleased to share our latest accomplishments and ongoing efforts with you.

****FY2023-2024 Accomplishments:****

1. ****Financial Management and Transparency:****

- We have successfully implemented comprehensive financials and budget reviews in our board meetings. This initiative ensures greater transparency and accountability in our operations, helping us make informed decisions for the future.

2. ****Bahia Grass Spraying Program:****

- Our groundskeeping efforts have been bolstered by the introduction of a bahia grass spraying program, promoting healthier and more aesthetically pleasing landscapes.

3. ****Grounds Improvement on New Acreage:****

- We began a significant grounds improvement program on the newly acquired acreage west of the new cemetery. This area is being developed to provide additional serene spaces for future generations.

4. ****Stump Grinding Completion:****

- The stump grinding south of Section A has been completed, enhancing the safety and beauty of this section of the cemetery.

5. ****Section A Grounds Improvement:****

- We have initiated a grounds improvement program in the area between Section A and the Sheriff's fence, further enhancing the accessibility and appearance of our cemeteries.

6. ****Headstone Cleaning Program:****

- Our commitment to preserving the past continues with the ongoing headstone cleaning program. This effort focuses on older, unsupported headstones, ensuring they remain legible and respectful tributes to those who have passed.

7. ****Fire Ant Treatment:****

- The weekly fire ant treatment program remains in place, maintaining a safe environment for visitors and caretakers alike.

8. ****Grounds Leveling Program:****

- We have started a grounds leveling program to improve the uniformity and appearance of various areas within the cemeteries, making them more navigable and visually appealing.

9. ****Community Engagement:****

- Our involvement with Wreaths Across America and Memorial Day deployments continues, honoring the memory of our veterans and bringing the community together in acts of remembrance. **Note: Mendenhall Cemetery will again be participating in Wreaths Across America on Saturday, December 14, 2024 ! Our ceremony will be held at 10:00 AM with wreath placement afterwards. More information @ www.wreathscrossamerica.org/MSMCCM**

10. ****Website and Signage Upgrades:****

- The cemetery website has been continually updated with the latest registry and sales information, providing easy access for families and interested parties. Additionally, our signage upgrade project ensures clear and respectful guidance throughout our cemeteries.

These accomplishments are only possible because of your ongoing support. As we look ahead, we invite you to continue sharing your memories and experiences with us. Your stories enrich our community and help preserve the legacy of Mendenhall Cemeteries.

****How You Can Help:****

- ****Donate:**** Your financial contributions are vital to our operations and future projects. Every donation, no matter the size, makes a difference.
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- ****Volunteer:**** Join us in our maintenance and improvement efforts. Your time and skills are invaluable.

Thank you for your unwavering support. Together, we can continue to honor and maintain the beauty and dignity of Mendenhall Cemeteries for generations to come.

We invite you to join us on Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at 5:00 pm for our annual meeting. We plan to discuss our budget and plans for the new year.

MCA ANNUAL MEETING
Tuesday, July 16, 2024
5:00 PM
Family Life Center | Mendenhall FBC

With heartfelt gratitude,

The Mendenhall Cemeteries Association Board

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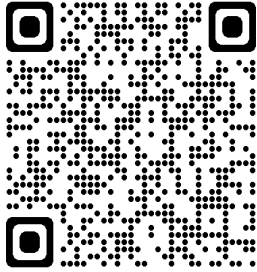
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You can now visit the MCA website by scanning this QR Code with your mobile device.



The Mendenhall Cemeteries Association, Inc. depends solely on donations from the community. We are a 501(C)13 Non-Profit Organization, so your contribution is tax-deductible. MCA has established a Perpetual Care Fund to raise money for the care and upkeep of this cemetery. Your love for those buried there is shown by generous monetary donations we receive throughout the year.

We deeply appreciate your support.

Donations can be made through our website via PayPal:

www.mendenhallcemeteriesassociation.com

or mailed to:

Mendenhall Cemetery Association, Inc.

C/O Treasurer

P.O. Box 838

Mendenhall, MS 39114-0838

Finally, on behalf of the entire team at MCA, we want to extend our appreciation for the outstanding job that Mr. Allan Rankin continues to do as the Cemetery Curator. His meticulous care, dedication, and professionalism have significantly enhanced the beauty and serenity of the cemetery. His efforts have not only maintained the grounds in impeccable condition but have also provided a comforting environment for visitors.

Thank you Allan for your excellent work and commitment to excellence.

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