Trees need understanding and support from people in order to live long, productive lives. One of the goals of the Silent Oak Society in Luverne is to help our community engage residents and businesses to support the planting of one of the most majestic and original trees of the prairie.

The relatively slow-growing and very long lived bur oak can live for over 400 years. This mast-fruiting species bears heavy fruit crops at irregular intervals. The acorns are the largest of any oak.

Bur oaks were the original trees of the prairie because they were well adapted to the extremes of the prairie. The trees are well adapted to fire with its thick bark. The large acorns allow an extensive root system to develop quickly, allowing the seedlings to survive drought and fire.

PLANT A LIVE BUR OAK IN LUVERNE!

A LIVING MEMORY OR TRIBUTE THAT WILL LAST 400 YEARS! For information about this project and/or to participate:

LUVERNE AREA CHAMBER & CVB 213 East Luverne Street Luverne MN 56156

507-283-4061 luvernechamber@co.rock.mn.us

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"Trees exhale for us so that we can inhale them to stay alive.

Can we ever forget that?

Let us love trees with every breath we take until we perish."

Dedicated to the planting of bur oaks in Luverne!

PLANT A BUR OAK IN MEMORY

A tree planted in someone's memory is a living tribute that benefits present and future generations, and is perhaps the most fitting memorial gift of all

A memorial bur oak planted in Luverne will be honorable monument and active participant in nature's plan for decades to come. By planting a bur oak through the Silent Oak Society of Luverne, you will support community reforestation efforts.

Your gift will be acknowledged as the Society sends a personalized commemorative card—in memory or honor of a friend or loved one, in celebration of a life event or simply to give the green gift of a bur oak to this community.

If the tree planting is a gift, we will stamp and mail the card (with your return address on the envelope) to the recipient for you.

The Silent Oak Society of Luverne supports the planting of bur oaks on private and public property.

The Society will officially register your gift, the date, a brief memorial tribute, your name, a photo of the tree and the location of the tree on the Silent Oak Society of Luverne web-page at **Www.LuverneChamber.com**.

PLANT A BUR OAK IN HONOR

Plant a tree in someone's name - it is a unique and green gift that celebrates events such as birthdays, holidays, graduations, weddings, new births, anniversaries, or any special occasion. Pay tribute to your friends and loved ones while replanting the original tree of the prairie in Luverne.

By planting a bur oak in Luverne on either public or private property, the gift giver or recipient will receive a personalized card to commemorate the tree planting.

You can give a gift of a bur oak, memorialize a loved one, celebrate a milestone, plant a tree in remembrance of a pet, or honor someone with an oak simply because they cherish nature.

Trees may be planted on public or private property to be part of the program.

Planting a tree on someone's behalf is a great way to honor someone – and since trees provide so many natural benefits, it is a gift that keeps on giving.

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TO PLANT A TREE:

If you would like to plant a tree in honor or memory of someone special—please contact the Luverne Area Chamber.

The Luverne Area Chamber coordinates the program, sends the memorial cards and maintains the Silent Oak Society of Luverne webpage.

If you would like to plant a bur oak on private property, all you need to do is to deliver or send your tribute information to the Chamber along with the photo of the tree where it is planted.

If you would like a live bur oak planted on public property, please contact the Chamber. The Chamber will work with you to coordinate the details with the appropriate public entities. The cost of planting a live bur oak on public property is \$300 which will be directly paid to the public property owner at the time the final details of the planting are completed.

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