



Rent the Butterfly Garden of HOPE

The *Butterfly Garden of HOPE* was established in 1992 as a memorial space to honor loved ones who have died. Designed with love and located on Onondaga Lake Parkway, the garden offers a natural setting for Celebrations of Life, weddings, and other gatherings. The garden offers a peaceful atmosphere that provides both comfort and inspiration – making it an ideal location to gather, remember, and celebrate.

The garden is a budget-friendly option for those looking for a beautiful outdoor location to host an event. All rental fees support HOPE's grief support services, which are free of charge to our community.

Garden Features

The *Butterfly Garden of HOPE* is thoughtfully designed to provide an intimate and reflective environment. Key features include:

- **Pergola**
The pergola is positioned lakeside with beautiful Onondaga Lake as the backdrop.
- **Gazebo**
The gazebo offers a semi-private space for bridal parties, refreshments, or quiet reflection.
- **Meandering Walkway**
Our memorial path leads guests from the parking lot to the pergola, enhancing the sense of arrival and anticipation.
- **Colorful Collections**
The garden is home to hundreds of flowering trees, shrubs, and perennials that brighten up the space throughout Spring, Summer, and Fall.
- **Seating Arrangement**
The natural wood benches offer an easy and attractive option for attendees to watch the ceremony or gathering with Onondaga Lake in the background.
- **Staging Areas**
There is plenty of green space conveniently located at both the front and rear of the aisle for ceremony preparation and coordination.

Amenities

- Two electrical boxes located facing the lake near the pergola
- Portable restroom on-site
- Decor-friendly space (see restrictions below)
- Seating for approximately 70 guests
 - 24 benches positioned on either side of the processional aisle
 - Additional bench seating located along the edges of the pergola area
 - Guests can bring additional seats as needed

Decorating Guidelines

You are welcome to personalize the space for your event. Please follow the following rules to preserve the integrity of the garden:

- Decoration time should be built into your rental time
- Zip ties and ribbon may be used to attach decorations
- No staples, nails, or tacks
- No wax candles on the brick walkway, pergola, or gazebo
- No artificial rose petals
- No staking into the ground
- All decorations must be removed at the end of your event

Important Policies

- The Butterfly Garden is a **memorial garden**; please keep music and noise at a reasonable volume out of respect for others visiting the space
- **Carry In / Carry Out:** All materials, trash, and belongings must be taken with you after the event.
- **Tent Guidelines:**
 - Maximum tent size is 12 ft x 12 ft
 - Tents must be *weighted only*—absolutely no stakes allowed
- **No Balloon Releases:** In alignment with our commitment to the environment and Onondaga County Park rules, balloon releases are not permitted.
- **BYO Everything:** Bring your own food, non-alcoholic beverages, décor, music, tables, additional chairs, tents, and supplies *as needed*
- **No alcohol is permitted**

Rental Procedure & Rates

To rent the Butterfly Garden of HOPE for your event, go to our website (hopeforbereaved.com/butterfly-garden/garden-rental/) and submit your reservation

details. You can also contact HOPE through email (kbermel@hopeforbereaved.com) or phone (315.475-9675) to inquire about rentals.

Upon reserving the garden, be prepared to pay the entire rental fee plus a refundable deposit. The rental is not complete until payment is received. Rentals first come, first served. HOPE does not hold time slots without payment in full.

Please factor in the amount of time you need to set up and breakdown your event. This time should be included in the rental time. For example, if you need 30 minutes to set up, 30 minutes to break down, and are planning a 1-hour ceremony, you would need to rent the garden for 2 hours.

We have recently increased our rates to accommodate the rising cost of goods and upkeep of the space. The garden is still a budget-friendly option for those looking for an outdoor, waterfront location to host an event. All rental fees support HOPE's grief support services, which are free of charge to our community.

The first hour is \$125 with each additional hour charged at \$75.

- **1 hour** – \$125
- **2 hours** – \$200
- **3 hours** – \$275
- **4 hours or more** – \$350

Please note: rentals are booked by the hour only. No partial hours.

Address: 6751 Onondaga Lake Pkwy, Liverpool, NY 13088

We look forward to helping you create a meaningful and memorable experience in our Butterfly Garden. Let us help you celebrate love, life, and remembrance.



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