



# Meadow Memorial Garden



# The new Garden of Remembrance was opened in summer 2016

Many football clubs have Gardens of Remembrance, and they have become popular places for fans and those associated with the clubs to have their ashes scattered. They also provide a pleasant environment for people to sit in quiet reflection, both on matchdays and at other times of the week.

## BURYING ASHES

We recognise the place that the football club holds in the hearts of many supporters, and the desire of some people for their ashes to be buried in the garden.

Short services can be arranged through contacting the Shrewsbury Town FC Chaplain, Revd Phil Cansdale. The service can be conducted by him as club chaplain, or by arrangement with someone else if preferred. The service normally lasts between five and ten minutes, during which time the ashes of the deceased can be placed into a hole dug into the turf of the garden. There will be a simple personalised order of service which can be retained as a special memory marking the occasion.

There is no charge for holding a service, but individuals or families are asked to make a voluntary donation to "Shrewsbury Town in the Community", supporting the club's work locally to encourage participation, education, health and social inclusion.

The names of the deceased, and the specific 'site' of the burial of ashes will be recorded and kept by the club. However, we politely request that no permanent memorials are installed in the garden. Flowers, cards, scarves and other mementoes left will be moved after ten days so that the area can be enjoyed by all in the club community.

## MEMORIAL PLAQUES

These plaques are available in memory of any people who have died, whether recently or some years ago. They are not solely for those whose ashes are buried in the garden, but rather are to honour the memory of all supporters wherever they are laid to rest. We continue to encourage fans to buy bricks for the "Walkway of Fame" from Superblues, but we expect these plaques will become an important part of remembering fans who have died.

### Memorial Plaques Design

The plaques are 70mm x 150mm, made of a durable printed polycarb material. They come in standard sizes and designs as follows, and each will feature the club logo and the club colours.



They will be installed on the wooden fencing around the inside of the Memorial Garden, placed on a first-come first served basis.

### Costs

The current cost of each plaque is £25. To allow as many people as possible to remember loved ones, we are wanting to keep the costs of the plaques as realistic as we can. With weather conditions and sunlight we have been advised that towards ten years there is a chance of the lettering fading. You would be welcome to upgrade an individual plaque in the future at the relevant cost at that time.

### Finding Out More

For memorial plaques please complete the form overleaf and return it. For further information – and to make an enquiry about a service to bury ashes – contact Phil Cansdale, Club Chaplain, on 01743 362399. Email: [chaplain@shrewsburytown.co.uk](mailto:chaplain@shrewsburytown.co.uk) Phil is the Church of England vicar of nearby Meole Brace, [www.trinitychurches.org](http://www.trinitychurches.org)



# Memorial Plaque Order

**TOP LINE NAME**

(xxxx - xxxx) SECOND LINE DATES

THIRD LINE \_\_\_\_\_

FOURTH LINE \_\_\_\_\_



TOP LINE NAME:

SECOND LINE DATES:

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THIRD / FOURTH LINE:

BLUE BACKGROUND
  AMBER BACKGROUND

## YOUR DETAILS

PLEASE USE BLOCK CAPITALS

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ POSTCODE: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

I enclose a cheque for £\_\_\_\_\_ (Currently £25 for each plaque ordered) made payable to “Shrewsbury Town Football Club”.

### The Small Print

This scheme is being administered by the Club Chaplain on behalf of Shrewsbury Town Football Club (“The Club”)  
 The Club reserves the right to approve all lettering and to refuse any application.  
 Although of good quality, the plaques may become worn or damaged owing to natural causes and weathering. No liability can be accepted for this by the Club.  
 We expect that people will honour the special nature of the Memorial Garden, and the plaques will be safe and secure. However the club cannot be held liable for the safety of the plaques in the event of vandalism.  
 It is envisaged that the plaques will be displayed in the Memorial Garden for at least ten years. In exceptional circumstances the Club reserves the right to move or relocate the plaques without liability.  
 The club will have complete control over the location and installation of the plaques.

Please complete and return to Phil Cansdale, Club Chaplain,  
 c/o The Trinity Centre, Church Road, Meole Brace, Shrewsbury, SY3 9HF. Or for further  
 information phone **01743 362399**, or email **chaplain@shrewsburytown.co.uk**