



John Doe
123 Main St
Washington, IL 61571

To John Doe,

Back in 1971, our parents, Robert and Loretta (Felker) Gordon moved the family to Washington, Illinois. The whole family quickly took to the community. As all five children made their way through elementary school at St. Patrick Catholic School, Loretta volunteered her time with many fund-raising activities. Robert joined many civic organizations including the Knights of Columbus and VFW.

Robert used his CPA skills to serve Washington as treasurer, for 28 years. During that time, he also ran his own accounting firm, Gordon Stockman and Waugh. As their children left the nest, Loretta began working at Sentimental Journey on the Washington square. With more free time, these avid golfers could spend more time on the course.

Loretta lost her battle with cancer in 2007. Robert stayed with us for another ten years until he lost his battle with ALS in 2017.

A few years before passing, Robert mentioned to Greg that the owner of 406 Peoria Street by the railroad tracks was interested in selling the property due to personal issues. But new ownership would bring new property regulations to light. Knowing that the area is underserved, Robert thought a park would be the best utilization of the land. Unfortunately, his dream never had a chance to come true. In his honor, the Gordon children decided to make Robert's wish a reality.

The Robert and Loretta Gordon Memorial Park plan was put into action. There will be a putting green, a small pavilion, and children's play set. Loretta had an extensive elephant collection and no memorial would be complete without a few elephant themed benches featured in the park.

The family has taken care of the planning, purchase, and demolition of the existing structures. The family is donating the cleared land to the Washington Park District. No taxpayer money was or will be used in the construction of the park.

We, the Gordon Family, are writing today to ask for your support in seeing The Robert and Loretta Gordon Memorial Park become a reality. We hope with your generosity that we can hit our fundraising goal of \$200,000. Our hope is that this park will bring joy to people for years to come.

We thank you for your time and consideration of a charitable gift towards the construction of this park.

Sincerely,

[insert sibling signature here]

Kevin, Cindy, Greg, Doug, & Randy



Robert and Loretta Gordon Memorial Park Donation Form



Visit <https://www.washingtonparkdistrict.com> to submit a donation online. If you would prefer to mail a check for your donation, please fill out the form below and mail this sheet along with your check payable to Washington Park District Foundation, C/O Gordon Park Fund to 105 South Spruce Street, Washington, IL 61571.

Donation amount:

- \$10,000
- \$5,000
- \$1,000
- \$500
- \$100
- \$50
- Other: _____

Donor Information

Donor Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

- I would like to receive email updates about the park progress.
- I would like to receive emails about any fundraising events in association with this park project.

For donors over \$1,000, the family would like to recognize your generosity at the park with engraved plaques for personal or company name consideration.

\$1,000	Friends of the Park	*Small plaque - dimensions to come*
\$5,000	Park Sponsor	*Medium plaque - dimensions to come*
\$10,000	Park Founder	*Large plaque - dimensions to come*

Sponsorship of a specific area of the park such as the children's play set or putting green are welcome and will be equal in value to the cost of purchase and installment. Sponsors will receive standalone sponsorship signage near the sponsored item. Please contact us if you would like to discuss these options.

Artist Rendering of the Park

