

MEMORIAL CEREMONY

Fellow Lions: It is fitting and proper that we who have enjoyed the fellowship and cooperation in Lionism of our friend, Lion/Lioness _____, should mark his/her demise together. Lion/Lioness _____ joined the _____ Lions/Lioness Club in _____ of 19__.

He/She held the following offices: President, Secretary, Treasurer, Tail Twister, and Board of Directors.

He/She served on the following Committees: Lion Mint Sales, White Cane, Bingo, Eyeglasses, Hearing and Speech, Steak Fry, and Supermarket Shopping Bonanza.

Lion/Lioness _____ also had perfect attendance for over _____ years in the Lions Clubs International Association.

We shall miss his/here presence at our meetings and his/her assistance in our programs of service. We acknowledge the obligation that he/she leaves with us – that we must carry on, each of us with greater zeal, in order that those things, which he/she would have helped us to accomplish, will not be left undone.

We seek to express once more the affection that we have felt for Lion/Lioness _____.

To his/her loved ones, we sincerely give our heartfelt sympathy. We pray they may realize every comfort and hope of their faith in this time of sorrow.

“We mourn the passing of a friend,
And gather now in solemn mood.
We know all things of time must end:
Even what to us seen wholly good.

Fellowship we've had in service,
Common problems and belief;
Now our hearts are drawn together,
By the bond of common grief.

We are thankful for the days
We've had with him/her who's joined the dead:
But thankful more that we have hope
For that which for us lies ahead.

Each one of us must run his course
Till he who doeth all things well,
Will call us too, to join our friends
who now beyond our seeing dwell.

And so for now we say 'Farewell',
And carry on the work below,
Believing that the time will come
When we once more say, 'Hello'!"

Let us stand for a moment in silence and let each of us who so desires offer a silent prayer from his heart.

“Almighty God, hear our prayers, spoken and unspoken, of our hearts. Grant the blessing of Thine inner peace and may Thy benediction rest upon us. For Thy name's sake, Amen.”

(Club members will file past the casket or cremains and leave.)