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APPLETON CEMETERY ASSOCIATION  
*Riverside CEMETERY*

A capital campaign to restore the historic Riverside Cemetery Chapel to its original beauty and dignity so that it can continue to be utilized by the community.



## HISTORY

Historic Riverside Cemetery has served the community well for nearly 150 years. Founded in 1870, it is a not-for-profit, non-sectarian cemetery, owned and operated by the people it serves. From pioneer times to the present, thousands of individuals have found their final resting place in a beautiful, tranquil setting on the Fox River, marked by unique stone monuments and shaded by a canopy of beautiful trees. The Cemetery has been a significant historical and educational resource for both young and old in the community. It regularly hosts school field trips, history walks and tree walks.

The Riverside Chapel was built in 1910 and has been used for countless funerals and even weddings. It has also witnessed the birth of five local church congregations which used the space to hold services before building their own churches.

## RESTORATION PLAN

In over a century of existence, the Chapel has deteriorated and fallen into disrepair. The following much-needed repairs and renovations have been identified:

- Remove and replace damaged plaster
- Paint the interior
- Restore the original woodwork and pews
- Add carpeting
- Upgrade the electrical and heating system
- Add air conditioning
- Repair and restore original lighting fixtures
- Add a sound system
- Add a piano
- Restore the bell tower
- Restore original windows and doors
- Construct accessible bathrooms

The upgrades, repairs and additions will transform this historic space into a warm and welcoming gathering place for prayer, meditation and fellowship. Those seeking a serene and historic setting for special services and intimate celebrations will find the Chapel perfectly suited to their needs.

*Our goal is to raise \$300,000 for this project to assure that future generations will be served by this cherished community resource.*

## MATCHING GIFT OPPORTUNITY

Every gift you give will be matched dollar-for-dollar by a generous anonymous donor, thus immediately doubling the impact of your gift.

As you consider the meaning that Riverside Cemetery and its historic Chapel has had for you, your family, and the community please consider making a generous gift to this campaign. Your financial support will assure that this gem in our midst will be restored to its original beauty and dignity and continue to serve us well for many years to come.

## MEMORIAL AND TRIBUTE GIFTS

Memorial and Tribute Gifts are welcome and are a meaningful and lasting way to honor a family member, close friend or colleague.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration and support.

All gifts to Riverside Cemetery are tax-deductible.

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