

OLD RUGGED CROSS MEMORIAL

By Frances Millburg

A beautiful and dignified memorial program features a cross in the East.

This Cross may be white painted wood or styre foam (available at your wholesale florist) and should be above floor level, and four to five feet in height.

To make the program more dramatic and impressive lights may be lowered in the Chapter Room and a spotlight provided to shine directly on the Cross. As the Marshal, dressed in white approaches the Cross, the Organist should play "The Old Rugged Cross". She will carry a lei of some beautiful flowers which she will drape over the cross as shown in the illustration, as the Worthy Matron reads the names of those who have passed on.

The Chaplain will then offer the following prayer:

"Gracious Heavenly Father, although our hearts are heavy with sorrow and a sense of loss,

dear ones, whose very membership here attested to their faith in Thee. Grant, we beseech Thee, that our lives may be so conducted that those we leave behind will treasure our memories as we do these dear Sisters (and Brothers) and know so surely that we, too, have been received into Thy glorious Kingdom. All of which we ask for Thy name's sake. Amen."

This concludes the program.

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