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### **4<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Remembrance Service Muskegon, Michigan**

The Bob & Merle Scolnik Healing Center of Harbor Hospice is hosting the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Community Remembrance at Heritage Memorial Garden in downtown Muskegon. The ceremony encompasses a program of music, readings and floral bulb planting to help individuals and families in our community to both mourn the death and honor the life of a loved one.

The Community Remembrance will be held on Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 6:00 pm at the Heritage Memorial Garden located at 545 W. Western Ave. Pam Babbitt developed the garden in honor of her late husband. It is a beautiful haven in downtown Muskegon and an incredible representation of the love that remains even after a person dies. Feedback from previous years included comments like "I can't thank you enough for this type of venue and event to keep our loved ones' memory alive. It means so much to me" and "I love watching the flowers come up in the spring." These comments really give expression to the innate needs of grievers. In our culture, mourning is becoming increasingly taboo. Grief is a natural and normal response to loss, and mourning is how one heals. It is our privilege to offer this opportunity to mourn and heal in an environment of acceptance and understanding.

If you would like to participate in this meaningful event, please RSVP by Friday, September 15, 2017 by calling Harbor Hospice at 231.728.3442 or 800.497.9559.

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