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Mr. Micha Shalev Mr. Ben Herlinger Oasis/Dodge Park Family 101 Randolph Road Worcester, MA 01606

Dear Friends at Oasis/Dodge Park:

How kind you are to remember my sister, Julia Carrigan, in such a special way. A tree is indeed a living tribute that will stand for many years, contributing both life and beauty. It will be a living memorial thriving in the Holy Land where the roots of both Judaism and Christianity are planted.

After calling to mind two lines from Joyce Kilmer's poem: "A tree that looks to God all day, and lifts her leafy arms to pray;" I felt an even deeper gratitude, that I'm sure Julie would share.

The pictures you included of Julie enjoying special events, or just enjoying her time and friendships at Oasis/Dodge Park are a gentle reminder that despite her illness the bright spots were there, and she was able to enjoy them. One of the pictures was taken at Dodge Park when Covid 19 restrictions prohibited visitors. It depicts the scene just as Julie described it to me on the phone, and she was so happy telling me about it. These pictures and the Tree Memorial will be treasures for her grandchildren.

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God Bless you all for your kindness and your competence.

Patricia Reardon