Forever Remembered

MORGAN'S PLACE CEMETERY

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Spring 2025



Morgan's Place Raises \$57,115 During Match Day 2024!



What an incredible blessing! Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, Morgan's Place Cemetery raised \$57,115 during Match Day 2024.

This annual event brought the community together in an extraordinary way, raising over \$1,150,000 for 30 local charities. We are beyond grateful for every donation that allows us to continue our mission of providing comfort, support, and a sacred resting place for families experiencing infant loss.

A heartfelt thank you to the Community Foundation of Shelby County for making this event possible and to everyone who contributed to Morgan's Place. Your kindness and generosity make a lasting impact on the families we serve.

Morgan's Place Wins Grand Prize in Phelan Insurance Group's 12 Days of Christmas Event

Morgan's Place Cemetery is honored to receive a generous \$750.00 donation from Phelan Insurance Group in Versailles, Ohio. For the second year in a row, we were selected as the Grand Prize winner in their annual event.

A special thank you to Elena Bulcher and Melissa Shappie for their thoughtful nomination. Your support helps us continue our mission of providing comfort and care to families experiencing infant loss. We are truly grateful for this blessing and for the continued generosity of Phelan Insurance Group!

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Help Build the Future of Morgan's Place -Volunteers & Donations Needed!

Morgan's Place Cemetery is growing, and we need your help to build our maintenance building! This space will allow us to properly store equipment and supplies, ensuring that we can continue caring for our grounds and serving families with dignity.



We are seeking volunteers to assist with construction and donations of materials or services to help bring this project to life. Whether you have carpentry skills, access to building supplies, or simply a willingness to lend a hand, we would love to have you be part of this important effort.

If you're interested in contributing your time, materials, or expertise, please reach out to us. Together, we can build something that will serve families for years to come!

If interested in any phase of this effort, please contact Nathan at 937-726-3614.

40x60 Multi-Purpose Utility Building (stick framed or conventionally framed)

- Excavation of the driveway and building site
- Building Foundation- forming and pouring of footer and wall
- Pour concrete slab
- HVAC
- Pour porch
- Insulation
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- Framing
- Siding
- Plumbing
- Roofing
- Electric
- Drywall

Saint Sebastian CYO Honors Respect Life Month with Miscarriage Kit Project

During Respect Life Month, the Saint Sebastian CYO Junior High and High School group demonstrated their commitment to supporting families experiencing pregnancy loss. Through their heartfelt efforts, they collected donations to purchase materials and assembled 100 miscarriage kits to provide comfort and care to grieving families.



This inspiring initiative was led by CRE Judy Forsthoefel, who worked alongside the youth to bring the project to life. Their dedication ensured that each kit was thoughtfully prepared with items designed to offer compassion, support, and remembrance to those mourning the loss of a baby.

The impact of this project extends beyond the Saint Sebastian community, as these miscarriage kits will be distributed to families in need, offering a tangible expression of love and support during one of life's most difficult moments.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this meaningful cause! Your generosity and dedication make a difference, reminding families that they are not alone in their grief.

Other Ways to Get Involved

Service – Distribute miscarriage kits, assist with grief support groups, and offer a compassionate presence to families in need.

Maintenance – Keep our grounds beautiful by mowing, weeding, trimming, planting, and cleaning walkways, the memorial wall, and grave markers.

Funerals – Support funeral services by digging and covering graves, assisting with parking, providing ministry services, and picking up flowers.

Sewing – Use your talents to disassemble dresses and sew burial garments, blankets, casket pillows, and miscarriage jar covers.

Carpentry – Help build caskets and urns, secure materials for caskets, and assist with various carpentry needs around the cemetery.

Marketing & Outreach – Distribute promotional materials, write news articles and public service announcements, communicate with media outlets, and secure or deliver speaking engagements at service clubs and churches.

If you're interested in volunteering, we'd love to have you be part of our mission. Your time and talents can bring comfort, healing, and hope to grieving families.

Upcoming Fundraisers that Support Morgan's Place

If you are looking for a way to support our Mission, we have some wonderful events coming up that are fun for the whole family.

ST. MARYS K OF C SUPER CASH BONANZA CHARITY TICKETS

The Knights of Columbus in St. Marys (Council #1592) is offering an incredible opportunity to support Morgan's Place Cemetery through their Super Cash Bonanza Charity ticket sales.

For every ticket sold through this mailing, the St. Marys Knights will reimburse the full \$5 cost back to Morgan's Place! Plus, you'll have a chance to win one of twenty-five cash prizes!

How to participate:

- · Enclosed are two tickets (\$5.00 each)
- · Fill out each ticket
- · Include a check payable to "K of C council 1592"
- Mail by May 1 to: Greg and Priscilla Wilt P.O. Box 103 Anna, OH 45302



We extend our heartfelt thanks to the Knights of Columbus for their past support and this most generous offer!

MAKE YOUR MEAL MATTER! SIDNEY CULVER'S MONDAY, MAY 5, 2025

Sidney Culver's May 5, 2025 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Culver's "Make Your Meal Matter" initiative means that a percentage of each meal purchased will be donated to Morgan's Place to support families experiencing infant loss. Whether you choose to dine-in, drive-through, or carry-out, every meal counts - no flyer needed!



THANK YOU CULVER'S!



MORGAN'S PLACE DAY AT THE DAYTON DRAGONS! JUNE 22, 2025

Sunday, June 22, 2025 Afternoon game

Join us for a fun-filled day at the Dayton Dragons baseball while supporting Morgan's Place! Half of each ticket price will be donated back to our mission.

Order as soon as possible to help us increase the number of tickets available for our supporters. Let's fill the stdium and make a difference together!

Purchase tickets at http://fevo-enterprise.com/Morgansplace3



FOOD FOR THE SOUL IV SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2025

Winner Harvest Barn and Family Farm 7317 State Rout 47, DeGraff, OH 43318 Doors open at 5:00 p.m.

Join us for an inspiring evening featuring a raffle, 50/50 drawing, dinner, quilt auction and a concert by Soul'd Out Gospel Trio.

For tickets, call Greg and Priscilla Wilt at 937-497-8118

Online tickets coming soon!



Join Me on the Journey to Mrs. Ohio America 2025!

Dear Friends and Supporters,

I am honored to represent Shelby County as I compete in the Mrs. Ohio America 2025 Pageant on June 14 in Mount Vernon, Ohio. But this journey is about more than a crown—it's about advocacy, awareness, and action.

As many of you know, my mission is to support families affected by infant loss through Morgan's Place Cemetery. This pageant provides an incredible platform to expand grief care resources, strengthen partnerships with hospitals across Ohio, and advocate for legislative improvements that ensure compassionate support for bereaved families and the medical professionals who care for them.

I would love for you to be part of this journey! Your support—whether through sponsorship, sharing my story, or offering words of encouragement—means the world to me. Sponsorships help cover essential costs like wardrobe, travel, and preparation, allowing me to compete at my highest potential while amplifying this mission. In return, sponsors gain valuable business exposure through event promotions, social media, and inclusion in the official Mrs. Ohio America Pageant Book.

This is an exciting opportunity to make a real impact. If you or your business would like to partner with me in this mission, I'd love to connect! Thank you for believing in this cause and for standing with me every step of the way.

Donations can be made online or via check: Please put in the memo **"Mrs. Ohio Promotions"**Checks can be sent via mail to the following address:
Morgan's Place Cemetery
1254 State Route 589

Venmo: https://venmo.com/u/morgansplace

Paypal: https://www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=P4BWTEVDB2E6U

Zeffy: https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/aa257c4b-243b-43ae-a45e-0fce2e6d763d

With gratitude, Mollie Verdier Mrs. Shelby County 2025 Executive Director, Morgan's Place

Sidney, Ohio 45365









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St. Augustine Church Selects Morgan's Place for Lenten Ministry Initiative

As part of its annual Lenten ministry, St. Augustine Church in Minster, Ohio has chosen to support Morgan's Place Cemetery. This partnership embodies the spirit of Lent—sacrifice, compassion, and service—by focusing on tangible ways to uplift grieving families.

Throughout the Lenten season, parishioners of St. Augustine will engage in various acts of service, assembling miscarriage kits, grief care boxes, and nutritious meals. These carefully curated packages will provide comfort and sustenance to families navigating the difficult journey of infant loss.

A key component of this initiative also includes sewing casket pillows and jar covers, adding a personal and heartfelt touch to the burial services provided by Morgan's Place. Volunteers will also assist in building Opie's casket kits, ensuring that each baby receives a dignified and loving farewell.

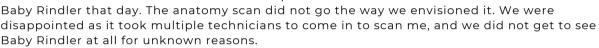
By choosing Morgan's Place as their Lenten ministry focus, St. Augustine Church is not only honoring the season's call for reflection and service but also bringing awareness to the profound impact of infant loss. Their compassionate efforts will leave a lasting imprint on the hearts of families who find comfort in knowing their babies are cherished and remembered.

Testimonial of Kacey Renee Rindler

On August 3, 2024, my husband, Jared, and I were so ecstatic to receive a positive pregnancy test! It was just a couple months into our marriage, and we were so happy to become parents to Baby Rindler! Every week we would track the size of Baby Rindler in comparison to a specific fruit, and we would draw the fruit on our refrigerator whiteboard. At week 5, we started with an "apple seed". By week 12, Jared was getting pretty good at taking care of me and our "lime baby". I was sick every morning and night, but we were always positive because people were telling us it was a sign that our Baby Rindler was healthy and growing.

On November 24, 2024, I remember crying happy tears after our nightly prayers. I was just so in awe how blessed I was to be living this absolute dream ... newly married, new puppy, working towards our goals, and our first baby on the way!

The next day we had our 20-week anatomy scan. Even though Jared and I decided to not find out the gender, we were still excited to see our little "sweet potato"



I got a call the next day that I needed to be seen in my obstetrics office to review my anatomy scan results. We received vague, but frightening news about our results from our doctor. We were informed that we would be referred to high-risk maternal fetal medicine (MFM) to get a clearer answer about what was going on. My mind was racing in a hundred directions. I was trying to prepare myself for the fact that Baby Rinder was going to have to receive specialty care upon delivery and for the rest of its life.

The following morning, we were contacted by MFM to head their way that day to get more advanced imaging completed and to get insight from their specialist. The office staff told me that this was serious and suggested we bring some support with us. My mother helped me physically get dressed, as I felt I could not wake up from this nightmare.

We did get answers, but unfortunately neither of us imagined the magnitude of what was about to come. Our Baby Rindler was diagnosed with a rare, but fatal condition - Limb Body Wall Complex. Jared held me in his arms as I shrieked in terror. As first-time expecting parents, these thoughts never crossed our minds that we could lose our Baby Rindler.

My father remembered hearing about Morgan's Place Cemetery from someone who already had their own loss. Jared and I started to research Morgan's Place, a cemetery specifically just for lost babies. We then reached out to Mollie, the director of Morgan's Place. Mollie welcomed us into her home where we met Nathan and their children. I will never forget getting out of the truck and seeing Mollie for the first time as she welcomed me in open arms. We shared many tears together. Mollie shared her own losses with us and gave us spiritual guidance to help get us through this trial in our life. Mollie helped us put together a birthing and burial plan to accommodate everything we wanted to help honor Baby Rindler.

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On December 6, 2024, our angel baby girl, Kacey Renee Rindler, was born. She was 11.5 ounces and 7.25 inches long. At 22 weeks, our "angel banana baby" was born into the arms of Jesus and was welcomed into the gates of heaven. When they handed us Kacey, Jared and I immediately felt filled with the Holy Spirit, full of joy and peace. All of our prayers that were filled with fears and worries leading up to this moment were relieved by the Lord. Kacey was free from any suffering, an angel of the most high.

Jared and I became very proud parents of Kacey. We took in every moment with Kacey in our arms. Morgan's Place allowed us to transform a traumatic time into a beautiful experience to honor Kacey. We had Kacey dressed in a beautiful white gown sewn from donated wedding dresses. During the last moments of being with Kacey, Jared laid her down into a handcrafted wooden casket. All these unforgettable moments were made possible through Morgan's Place and their charitable donors.

On December 11, 2024, we buried Kacey Renee at Morgan's Place Cemetery. Surrounded by family, Jared laid Kacey's tiny casket into her final resting place and covered the casket with holy grounds from Morgan's Place. On the top of her grave site, we laid a beautiful bouquet of pink and purple flowers donated by a local flower shop.



This beautiful photo was provided by Jared and Brenna Rindler



When we visit Kacey's grave, she lies next to the beautiful gravestone we customized. We feel much peace as Kacey is surrounded by other angel babies next to open fields in the countryside.

Everything through Morgan's Place was free of cost through charitable doners. As a young couple, we could not be any more grateful for these acts of generosity. Jared and I want to thank everyone who donated towards Kacey. Please know that your generous donations did not just help us, but will go on to help other couples just like us.

I want to thank Mollie and Nathan Verdier for all Morgan's Place Cemetery has done for our family. Mollie Verdier's mission is to bring peace to all parents of angels - you are an angel to us in itself!

- Jared and Brenna Rindler