

# Olivet Cemetery Association

37 Trees – 19 Volunteers – 77 Hours Volunteered

## Carla Hardy WV Project CommuniTree Planting at Olivet Cemetery

Moorefield Middle School FFA students chose planting trees to celebrate Halloween at the most appropriate location...

That's right—students from Moorefield Middle School FFA, as well as volunteers from Olivet Cemetery Association, WV Conservation Agency, and WV Division of Highways came together on Monday, October 31, 2016 to plant 37 flowering trees at Olivet Cemetery.

WV Division of Highways augured the holes for all of the trees several days before the project.

The tree planting started with a demonstration from Cacapon Institute's Jeff Iliff, who talked about the benefits of trees and the proper ways to plant trees to ensure their long-term

survival.

Roughly 10 students and 6 adults volunteered for this project, including students and teachers from Moorefield Middle School FFA and staff from WV Conservation Agency.

Four of the trees did not get planted by the students, so WV Division of Highways personnel came back out later that week to augur those holes and plant the remaining 4 trees.

Additional caging materials were purchased to provide extra protection from deer browse.

Not only did Olivet Cemetery Association plant a "Flowering-24" CTree Kit



with a mix of 24 flowering trees this fall, but they also planted 10 more flowering trees to replace trees that failed to establish from their [spring 2016](#) project. On top of that, they planted 3 additional Carla Hardy Memorial Trees.

All together, there are 51 new trees that have been planted at Olivet Cemetery in 2016. What an amazing accomplishment!

### A word from the Project Leader, Harold Michael:

*"Our favorite part of the planting was spending time with the kids and educating them- not only on the trees, but also on local history. We really enjoyed their level of enthusiasm for the environment and the community."*



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