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## The Memorial Garden at Liza's Place Wheeling, WV

**Services:**  
Schematic Design  
Master Plan  
Construction Documentation  
Construction Administration

**Role:** Prime

**Project Size:** .28 acres

**Project Cost:** \$250,000

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Hays LAS designed The Memorial Garden at Liza's Place to be a direct extension of the comforting atmosphere that comes from within Valley Hospice. Throughout the design, pathways and nature intertwine symbolic of life's journey. This garden is a place of healing, contemplation, and celebration of life.

The theory behind the design of the Memorial Garden at Liza's Place is driven by life's journey. A shallow stream runs along a meandering brick walk that guides pedestrians throughout the intimate space. The stream's source is a bubbling spring that emits from the center of a millstone under a Honey Locust tree. Beyond the tree, the path of life widens and a large stone obstacle splits the pathway representing the adversities in life and the paths we take. The winding path straightens out and bridges the stream that opens to a "Life's Release Circle." This open lawn space showcases two flowering Tamarisk trees that frame the open view to an area of wildflowers and a forested valley beyond. Throughout the garden there are four outdoor rooms that are tucked away behind raised mounds, tall grasses and boulders that provide areas each with its own theme: contemplation, meditation, escape and consoling for serenity, and personal healing.