## "Between every two pines is a doorway to a new world." - John Muir

The Gifted Tree welcomes you to the virtual world of finding your tree planting location. As you know, someone has planted a gift tree in honor of you or someone you love. Your tree has been or will be planted in Wye Mountain, Arkansas and the areas surrounding Lake Maumelle in central Arkansas. As in many areas of the United States, urbanization is threatening the quality of drinking water for large populations and that is no different in central Arkansas

The overall goal of the project is to improve drinking water quality by reforesting areas that were clearcut in the past by timber companies. This reforestation effort will help protect the Lake Maumelle watershed, the largest supplier of water in the state

Tree root systems play an amazing filtering role in the soil and these new plantings of Shortleaf Pine will help reduce the levels of pollutants that exist in the lake. The reforestation effort will also aid in erosion control, flood mitigation and storm water management, and the native shortleaf pine trees will increase resiliency to climate change.



You can view the general area of your planting by clicking on the following link:

https://bit.ly/3GFhOLh

Once connected to the map, feel free to zoom in and out to get a feel of the general planting area as well as its location in Arkansas, the United States, and the world. The link is best viewed on a personal computer. Please understand that this is the general area of your tree planting. Your tree is planted among thousands of other gift trees and there is no plaque designating your gift tree and visiting the tree is unfortunately not possible.

Enjoy your gifted tree and know that it is making a monumental difference for the earth and opening a new doorway to the world for future generations. If you have any questions, please view our contact information at: <a href="www.thegiftedtree.com/contact-us/">www.thegiftedtree.com/contact-us/</a>. If you would like to plant a tree for someone else, please visit our website at <a href="www.thegiftedtree.com">www.thegiftedtree.com</a>.

