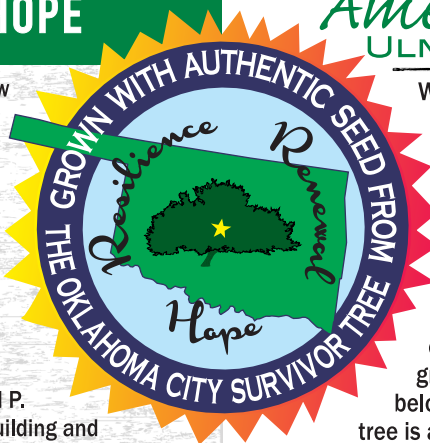


A SYMBOL OF HOPE

The little elm tree you now hold in your hand is grown with seed collected from the actual Survivor Tree, an amazing 90-year-old American Elm which withstood the bomb blast in 1995 at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building and remains steadfast to this day in its original location on the grounds of the Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum.



American Elm ULMUS AMERICANA

With its imposing size, stately form, powerful gray-clad trunk, and shapely crown of fine foliage, the American Elm (*Ulmus americana*) is one of America's most handsome and wide-ranging native trees. Among elms, it is often considered the grandest and most beloved. This rugged tree is a rapid grower that thrives in a variety of soil types and extreme climates, both hot and cold.



"The spirit of this city and this nation will not be defeated; our deeply rooted faith sustains us."

Inscription engraved around Survivor Tree promontory.

Remembering April 19th, 1995

On that disastrous day, the area surrounding the blast was reduced to war-like devastation.

One hundred sixty eight people were killed, and hundreds more were injured.

Dozens of cars were incinerated, and over 300 nearby buildings were damaged or destroyed. Only one thing remained standing amongst the concrete rubble—a 67 year old American Elm. When the dust and smoke cleared, the tree's blackened framework could be seen standing amid the destruction.

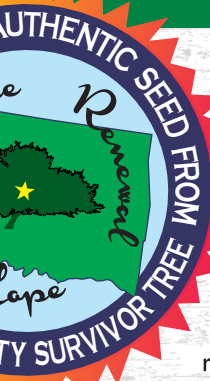
Battered and pierced with debris, the mighty elm was nearly cut down to preserve forensic evidence.

Hundreds of community citizens, survivors, family members of those who were killed, and rescue

workers came together to write the Memorial Mission Statement, ensuring that the tree remains a permanent component of the Memorial for all the years come.



& LEGENDARY STRENGTH



Each Fall, seeds from the Survivor Tree are carefully collected by the Memorial Grounds Crew under the direction of the Oklahoma Forestry Service. Some of the seeds are reserved for Survivor Tree Grow Kits, about a thousand of which are available online and to visitors of the memorial and museum each year. The balance of the seed collected is then stratified, planted, and grown at the Jonsteen Tree Nursery in Northern California. The resulting Survivor Tree Elm seedlings are made available to the public, with proceeds supporting the work and mission of the Oklahoma City National Memorial & Museum and the continued health and care of the original Survivor Tree.

For more information, please visit www.survivortree.com

OKLAHOMA CITY NATIONAL MEMORIAL & MUSEUM MISSION STATEMENT

We come here to remember those who were killed, those who survived and those changed forever. May all who leave here know the impact of violence. May this memorial offer comfort, strength, peace, hope and serenity.



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