



Northeast Nebraska Master Gardener Emeritus Status

The Northeast Nebraska Master Gardener Emeritus Status is designed for individuals who can no longer meet the full requirements of the Master Gardener Program. A maximum of five (5) emeriti will be selected for current year. Individuals wishing to be put on emeritus status will be required to meet the following requirements:

1. Complete application for emeritus status by deadline
2. Active member for minimum 10 years
3. Contributed > 20 hours of volunteer time each of the 10 years, need not be consecutive if active for > 10 years

Applications will be due at the December member meeting with those being accepted announced at the following January awards meeting. The local Master Gardener Coordinator and local extension support staff will review the applicants. Meeting all three requirements does not automatically grant emeritus status.

Individuals accepted to emeritus status will still need to meet the following requirements:

1. Pay annual dues
2. Report any education and volunteer hours completed

Benefits of emeritus status:

- Still receive Northeast Nebraska Master Gardener Newsletter
- No minimum training or volunteer requirements
- Plaque recognizing individual
- Access to Master Gardener training events
- Still listed in directory
- Retain title of Master Gardener
- Remain eligible for state milestone awards (e.g., 20 year vase)

December member meeting will be the deadline for Northeast Nebraska Master Gardeners to apply for emeritus status.



Northeast Nebraska Master Gardener Emeritus Application

Applications for 2022 are due to Wayne in the Madison County Extension Office by December 11, 2021.

Name (First & Last): _____

Year you became a Master Gardener: _____

Number of years contributing \geq 20 hours volunteer time: _____

Use the space below to explain why you are applying for emeritus status?

If you have any questions about this form or emeritus status, please contact Wayne Ohnesorg at the Madison County Extension Office, 402-370-4040.