

## Honoring Trees: Susie Forest Patch Background

- A Patch Program From GSEWNI to you with love!
- In honor of Susie Stephens. Susie was born in April of 1965. Susie was a Girl Scout in GSEWNI. She participated in many activities including a trip to Japan with her troop. She became an environmental advocate with a local non-profit.
- Susie's life was cut short in March of 2002 when she was killed crossing a street in a crosswalk.
- The "Susie Forest" patch represents the movement her mother Nancy MacKerrow has started to plant trees in Spokane in honor of Susie. Nancy's goal – to have a whole forest of Susie Trees – one in every state. We want to help her!
- Susie has **300** trees planted in her "forest" around the world!

## Nancy's Goal: A Susie Tree in Every State!



## Tree Honoring Patch: Susie's Forest

• Honoring a Tree:

- Tell Susie's story OR a story of a special person in your community that you will dedicate the tree to.
- Plant a Tree OR honor an existing tree.
- Celebrate the tree by hanging up biodegradable tags with stories about the tree's legacy OR painting rocks with well wishes around the tree. (Susie's mom's <u>cookie – kibbles</u> are a good touch to the ceremony to honor the sweet tooth in us all!)
- Fill out the GSEWNI form (next slide) with your tree honoring story AND receive a unique patch from GSEWNI! Become a part of the Susie Forest!
- DON''T FORGET: <u>To register your tree</u> in the Tree Tracker for GSUSA!





Honoring trees with the Girl Scout Tree Promise – There's a Patch for that!

More info: https://susieforest.com/

<u>Form for Patches:</u> <u>Honoring Trees: A Susie Forest Patch</u> <u>(wufoo.com)</u>

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