

Is It Time to Replace Your Old Mailbox Structure?

Hello, I'm your neighbor at 1424 Gray Stone Court. For years I've noticed that many mailbox posts in our neighborhood are badly in need of replacement. Most have been in the ground for more than 20 years and have begun to deteriorate. All too often they have been complete strangers to the paintbrush. Vandalism has also been a problem. Previously, it was hard for a Mill Creek homeowner to find a good new one for a reasonable price. A solution is now at hand!

I have retired from the Postal Service to become your mailbox post technician. Does my former career qualify me for this important mission? Well, maybe not, but I do happen to have a well-equipped woodshop in my basement. After much study of these quirky structures, I am pleased to be able to offer my neighbors a superior product.

My mailbox posts have the following quality features:

- Carefully crafted in my basement workshop, not at the side of the road.
- Made entirely of new cedar lumber, unless you specify a pressure-treated 4x4 post. Cedar will accept paint immediately and hold it much better over the years.
- Assembled with premium exterior screws. Screws hold together more tightly than nails or staples and can be easily removed to replace boards damaged by vandals.
- Painted inside and out using our official paint, "Mill Creek North Mailbox tan." Boards are painted once on all sides before assembly to insure that all surfaces are coated, then the exterior is covered with a second coat.
- Caulked in select locations to discourage insects and keep your valuable fliers dry.
- Faithful to the original design by Craig Builders.

The price for my mailbox post delivered to your door is **\$180.00**. As you may know, cedar lumber is not cheap and it can be hard to find. For **\$220.00**, I will also affix your address numbers on both sides, secure your mailbox to the post and plant it firmly in the ground.

The following additional services are also available:

Spray paint your new mailbox to closely match the official paint - **\$10**

Dig a new hole to relocate your mailbox - **\$10**

Dispose of your old mailbox post (They do not fit in the trash without cutting) - **\$10**

Please contact me with your questions or orders at mlouisell2@hotmail.com, or call 409-8439. Thank you for your interest.

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