

Make your luminary

in honor of Gold Star Mother's Day

You can purchase your Gold Star Mother's Day luminary at www.EGAsore.com/GoldStar, or you can make your own using just a few simple materials. Here's how:

Materials:

- Tea candles
- White paper bags, lunch-sized
- Small scissors and star pattern (can be found in the Flyers and Pamphlets section at www.goldstarmothersday.com)
OR a star-shaped paper punch
- Sand or kitty litter
- Grill lighter



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Step 1

Determine how many luminaries you will need. You can place one at the end of your drive or use several to line an area or street. They should be placed about 2-3 feet apart, so measure the area and divide by 2 or 3 to determine how many to make.

Step 2

Unfold the bag and fold the top 1/2 to 1-inch of the bag down over itself. Fold again. This will stabilize the bag.

Step 3

If you don't have a star-shaped paper punch, use the star pattern to trace a star near the top of the bag, just under the fold you made. Keeping the cutout near the top will keep drafts from blowing out the candle.

Step 4

Fill each bag with 1 inch (1 cup) of sand or 3 inches (3 cups) of kitty litter. It keeps the luminary from blowing over and helps to safeguard against fire.

Step 5

To light your luminaries, settle one tea candle into the sand or kitty litter in the center of each bag. With the long lighter, light the candle. If you don't have a grill lighter, light the candles before placing them in the bags.

Be sure to extinguish the candles before you turn in for the night.

Caution: For outdoor use only. Never leave your home while your luminaries are lit, and make sure they are far away from anything that could catch fire.

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