

The background is a solid green gradient. It is decorated with numerous butterfly silhouettes in various shades of green, some appearing as light outlines and others as darker, more solid shapes. The butterflies are scattered across the frame, with a higher concentration on the left and right sides, leaving the center area clearer for the text.

Life After Lawn

Landscape Transformation Start to Finish

Emphasis on Pollinators

2020

Before



There were approximately 900 square feet of bluegrass in the side and front yards.

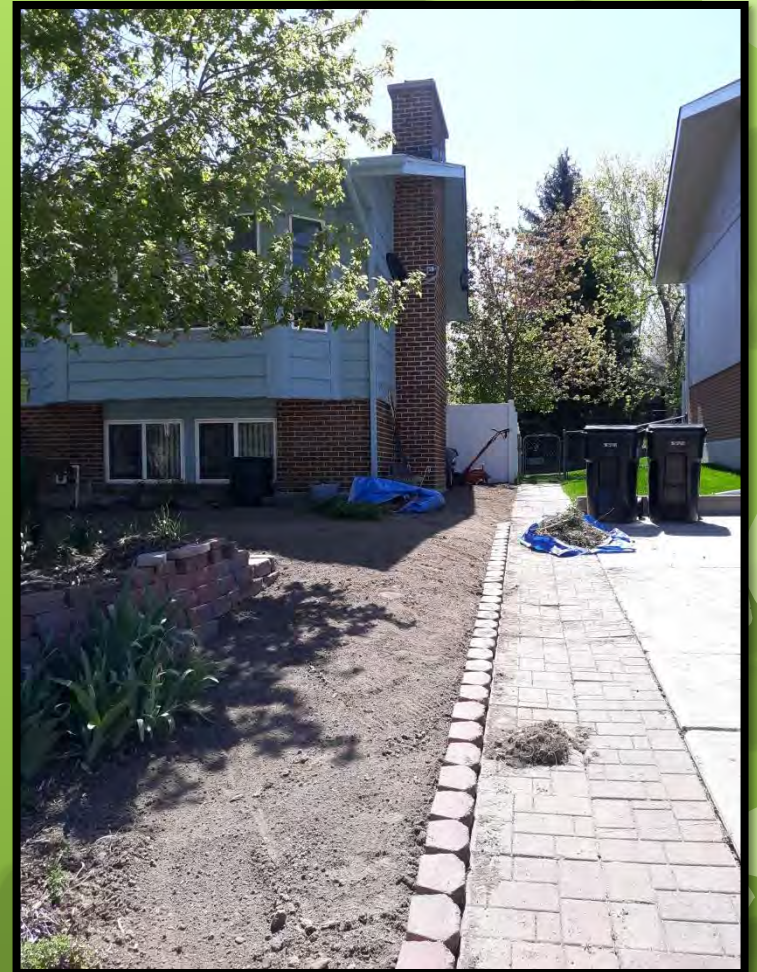
These areas were difficult to water and mow due to the narrowness and slopes.



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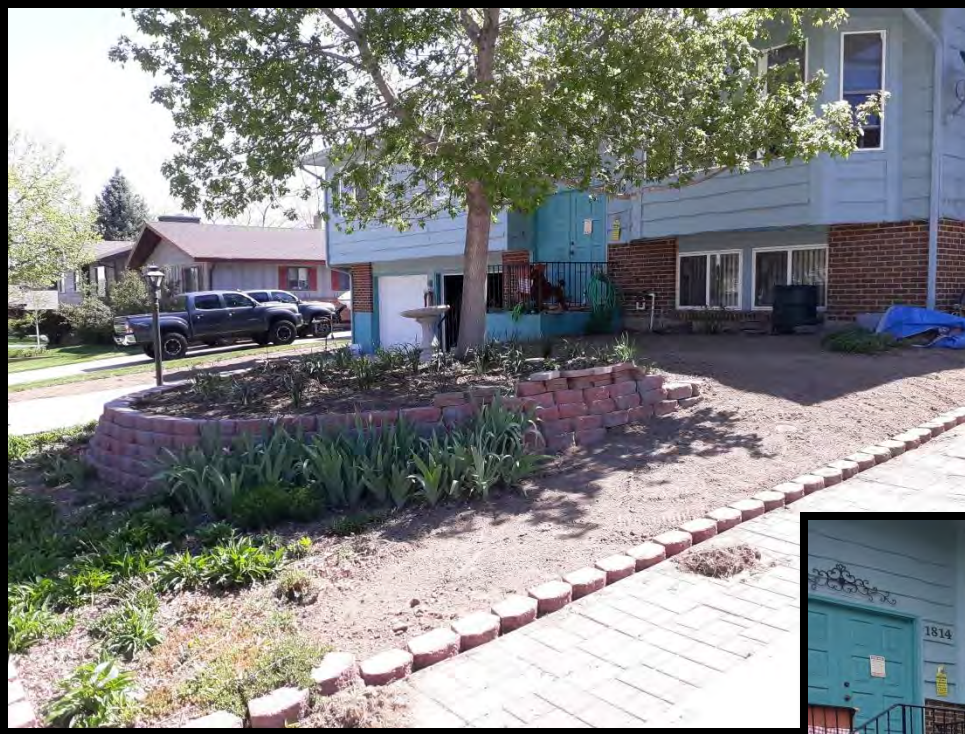


An old lilac bush at the far corner in front of the house was also removed.



Pavers, Edging and Retaining Walls

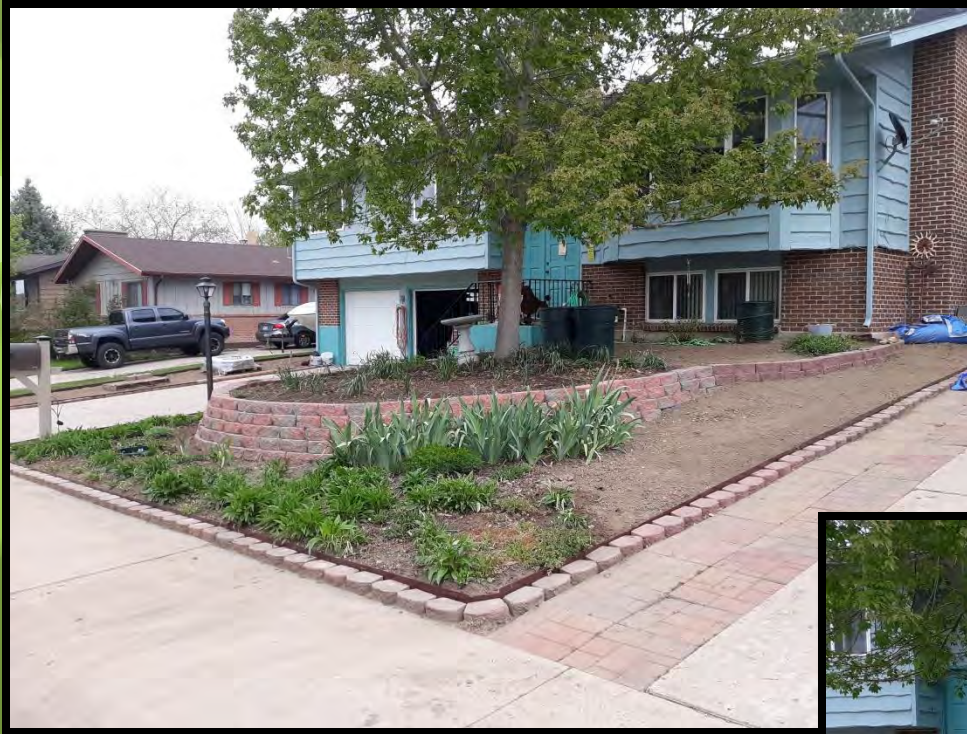




The retaining wall around the tree was existing.

New retaining walls to prevent erosion on the slope. Red/Char retaining wall blocks from **Lowe's**. Blocks along driveway and sidewalk were repurposed from prior landscaping. A new mailbox post was also installed.





The brick pathway is on the neighbor's property.



Retaining Walls & Path in Front Yard



Existing columbines
and daffodils were
left in place.



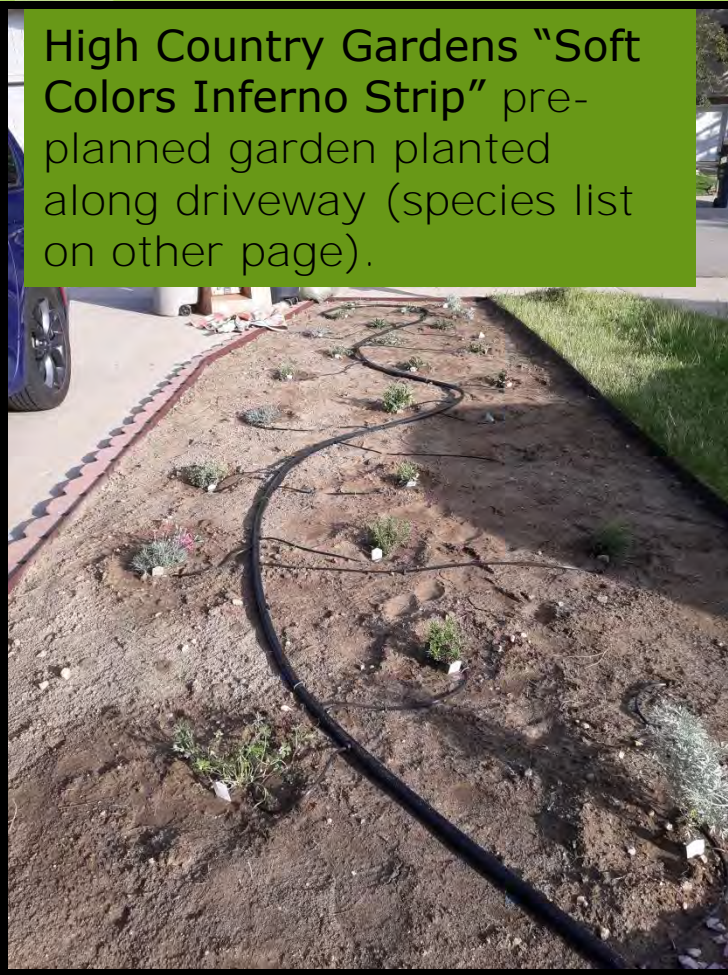
Paver path beside garage to back yard.



Pink Chintz Creeping Thyme and Thyme Leaf Veronica Speedwell from High Country Gardens (64) planted along path and in between pavers. Prism Arcadian pavers from Lowe's.

Drip Irrigation Installed

High Country Gardens "Soft Colors Inferno Strip" pre-planned garden planted along driveway (species list on other page).





High Country Gardens
"Jumbo Waterwise" pre-
 planned garden planted along
 side of house.

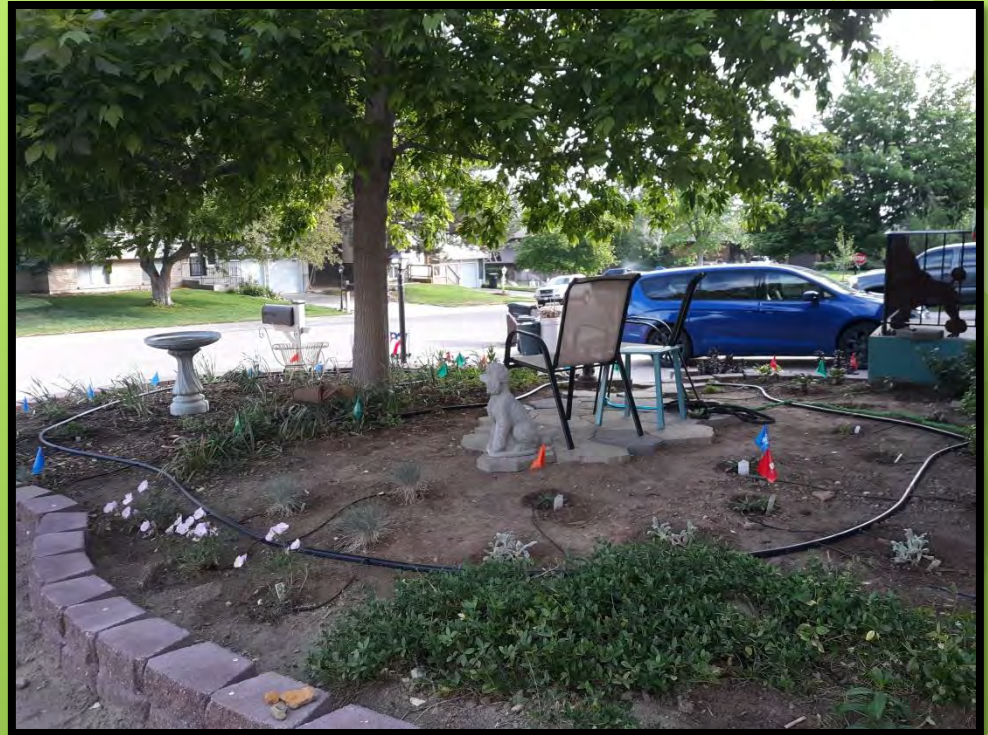
Plants in the Jumbo
 Waterwise garden include:

- Moonshine Yarrow (3)
- May Night Salvia (3)

- Powis Castle Artemisia (2)
- Moonbeam Coreopsis (3)
- Select Blue Nepeta (3)
- Red Valerian (4)



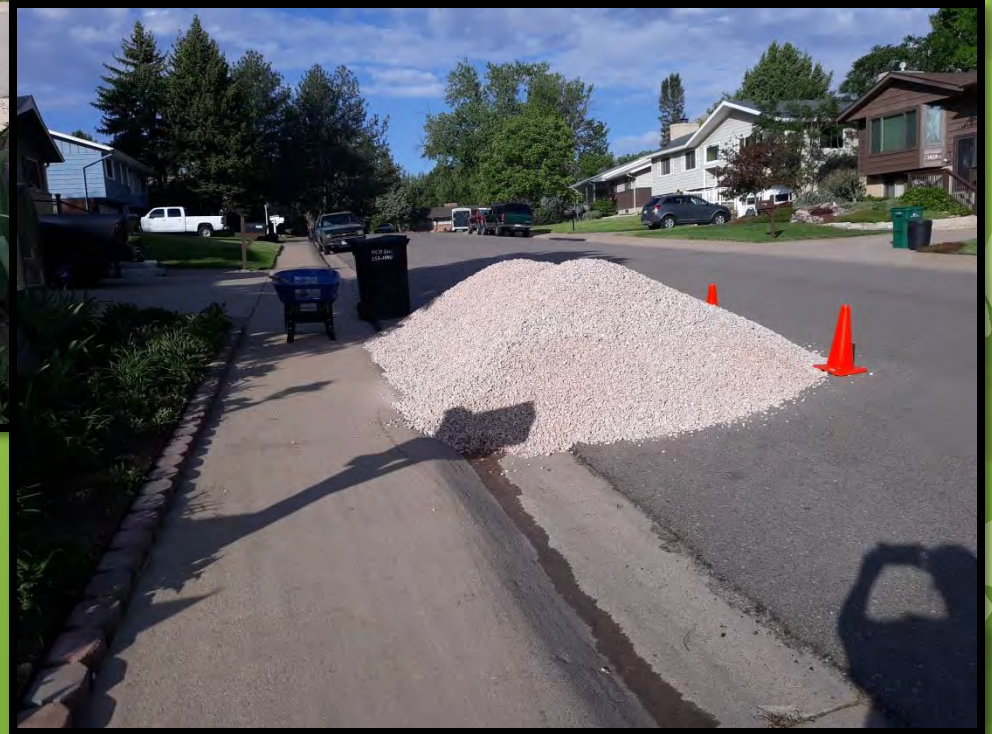
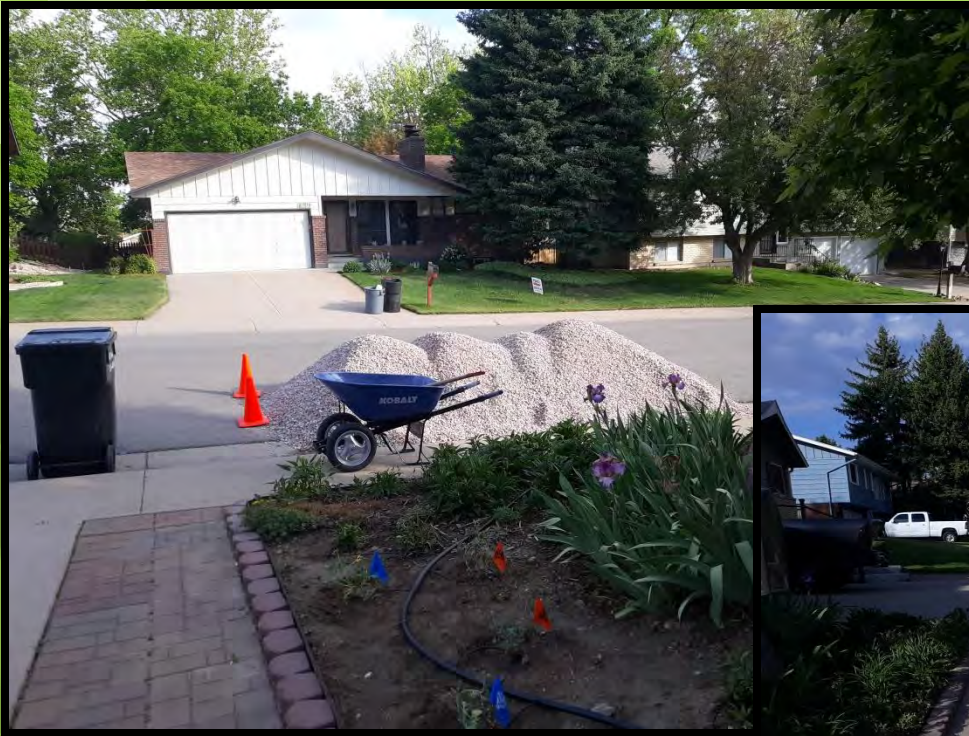
I put in a small patio under the tree. High Country Gardens **"Serene Shade"** pre-planned garden planted under the tree in the upper terrace.



Serene Shade plants include:

- Golden Spur Columbine (3)
- Jeana Garden Phlox (2)
- Orchid Frost Lamium (3)
- Miniature Mat Daisy (5)
- **Silver Carpet Lamb's Ear (3)**
- Hardy Plumbago (5)
- Siskiyou Blue Fescue Grass (3)
- Existing Vinca minor

10 Tons of Gravel Mulch



How do you move 10 tons of gravel? One shovel at a time!



Plants in the Soft Colors Inferno Strip planted along left side of the driveway include:

- Red Valerian (1)
- Select Blue Nepeta (1)
- Powis Castle Artemisia (2)



- Purple Poppy Mallow (2)
- Fragrant Persian Stonecress (3)
- Agastache neomexicana (3)
- Caradonna Salvia (3)
- Rocky Mountain Penstemon (3)
- Blue Woolly Veronica (3)
- Firewitch Dianthus (3)
- Red Rocks Penstemon (3)



Source of Plants:

- High Country Gardens (HC)
- High Plains Environmental Center (HP)
- Happy Life Gardens (HL)
- The Tree Farm (TF)

Other new plants include:

- Shimmer Evening Primrose(10-HC)
- Ultra Violet Salvia (5-HC)
- Valley Lavender Plains Verbena(5-HC)
- Voodoo Sedum (5-HC)
- Ben Ledi Rock Rose (5-HC)
- Ben Fhada Rock Rose (5-HC)
- Blonde Ambition Blue Grama Grass (5-HC)
- **Munro's Globe Mallow (5-HC)**
- Mora County Chocolate Flower(5-HC)
- **Palmer's Pentasmon (3-HP)**
- Tulip Gentian (3-HP)
- Western Wallflower (3-HP)
- Shambala Sage (3-HP)
- Knight Rider Sedum (2-TF)
- Autumn Charm Sedum (1-TF)
- Variegated Sweet Iris (1-TF)
- Spanish Peaks Foxglove (3-HL)
- Goldsturm Rudbeckia (3-HL)
- Sonoran Sunset Hyssop (3-HL)
- Vision Violet Cranesbill (3-HL)
- Red Feathers(*Echium russicum*)(3-HL)
- Siskiyou Oenothera (3-HL)



Existing plants include:

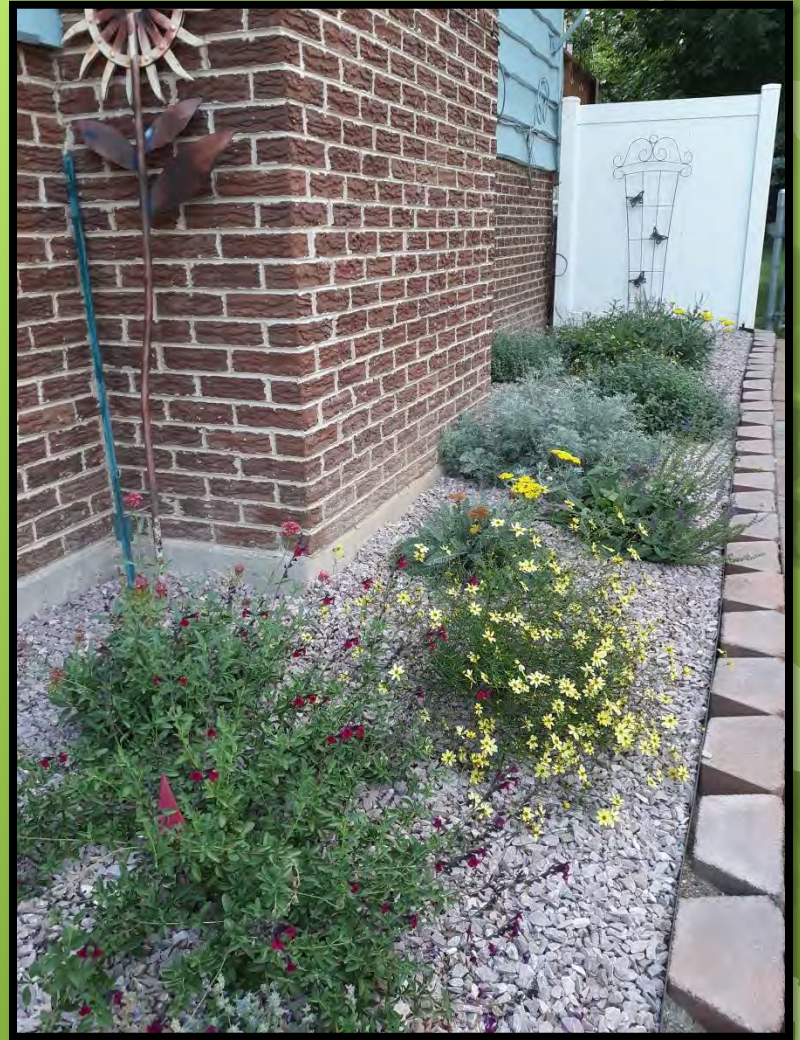
- Sensation Maple
- Coneflower
- Iris
- Landscape Roses

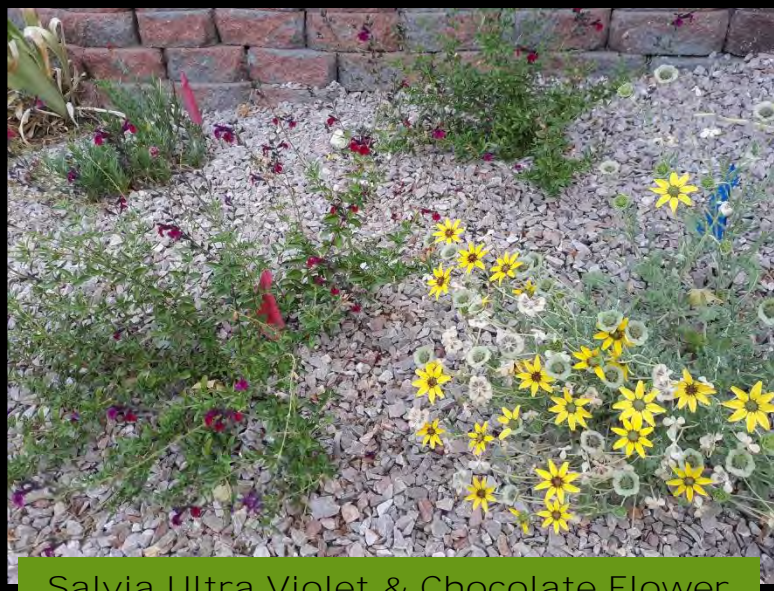


- Columbine
- Daylily
- Paprika Yarrow
- Autumn Joy Sedum
- Violets
- Vinca minor
- Sedums
- Threadleaf Coreopsis
- Asters
- Asiatic Lily

Summer 2020 – The Results







Salvia Ultra Violet & Chocolate Flower



Salvia, Coreopsis & Yarrow



Rudbeckia



Shimmer Evening Primrose

Birds, Bees & Butterflies – Oh, My!

