December 2013 – February 2014



Tampa Bay Chapter

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MEETING INFORMATION

Regular Monthly <u>SUNDAY</u> Meeting (held the second Sunday of the month) Sundays Dec 8, January 12 & Feb 9 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM St. Joseph's Hospital Medical Arts Building, Auditorium 3001 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Tampa, FL Call Debbie Nemitz at 813-501-9567 for directions or information.

Regular Monthly <u>DAYTIME</u> Meeting Riverview/Gibsonton/Brandon areas (held the second Friday each month) Fridays, Dec 13, January 10, & Feb 14 10:00 AM to Noon First United Methodist Church Office Bldg 120 N Knights Ave, Brandon, FL Call Debbie Nemitz at 813-501-9567 for directions or information.

Regular Monthly NIGHTIME Meeting Riverview/Gibsonton/Brandon areas (normally held the last Thursday each month) DUE TO HOLIDAYS: Thursday December 19, January 30 and February 27 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM First United Methodist Church Office Bldg 120 N Knights Ave, Brandon, FL Call Charles L'Homme at 813-335-7628 for directions or information.

Regular Monthly <u>PLANT CITY</u> Meeting

(held the third Thursday of each month) Wed. December 4, Thurs January 16, and Feb 20 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM Cancer Resource Center

1708 W Palmetto Ave., Plant City, FL (located behind the hospital Call Janice Falcon at 813-997-1709 for directions or information.

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Hoping all of you had a good holiday season and hoping the new year 2014 will be a good one for you.

Chapter News

Angel of Hope Information

www.angelofhopetampabay.com <u>Located at :</u> Riverside Park 201 Riverhills Drive, Temple Terrace <u>Mailing Address:</u> P. O. Box 2573, Lutz, FL 33548 813.495.7539



www.angelofhopetampabay.com/index.html

Telephone Friends

Need to talk? Having a bad day? Call one of our Telephone Friends. They're here to lend a knowing ear because they've been there. Don't hesitate to call, we understand.

Debbie Nemitz (General Information

and Long Term Illness)	(813) 501-9567
Sue Bowditch (Adult Child)	(813) 390-9734
Theresa Farmer (Homicide)	(813) 994-0707
Sandy Boehning (Grandparent)	(813) 989-3255
Charles L'Homme (Accidental Death)	(813) 335-7628
Barbara or Tommy Dietrich (Death of	(813) 340-9120
an Only Child)	
Julie Woofter (Suicide)	(813) 754-4848
Serena Graves (Sibling Contact)	(813) 810-7169
Rita Zvada (Se Habla Espanol)	(813) 961-1011
Crisis Center	211



Love Gifts-A Thoughtful Way to Remember

Love Gifts are a beautiful and loving way to remember a loved one. Through Love Gifts, we are able to reach out to others with our brochures and newsletters as well as obtain books and other information for our library. We truly appreciate every Love Gift, donation and sponsorship. Our Chapter work is done by volunteers and these donations help us reach out in many ways, including the preparation and mailing of the newsletter.

Sponsor A Newsletter Page

Anyone can sponsor a page in this newsletter in memory of their child. The price for a full page is \$55 which includes one black and white scan of one photograph and your tribute to your child, which can include poems, stories or whatever you like. Your contribution supports the chapter and helps pay for the printing of the newsletter.

To sponsor a newsletter page, contact Debbie Nemitz @ 813-907-1441 or at debbie.bpnews@gmail.com. Please note that sponsorship pages are <u>due by the 15th of the month BEFORE the publication</u> <u>month.</u>

Address Change

If you have an address change, the Postal Service will NOT forward! They return to us—FOR A FEE, SO **<u>PLEASE</u>** LET US KNOW IF YOU HAVE A NEW ADDRESS.

Refreshments

Some of us like to remember our child's birthday or the anniversary of his or her death by bringing a cake or cookies to the meeting that month. We would appreciate having you bring a special treat to any meeting. You may also want to bring and share a picture of your child.

Newletter Articles or Contributions

Have you written a poem or article about your bereavement process? Would you like to share it in the newsletter? We are looking for article submissions every month from members of our chapter. Articles will be edited if needed. Please contact Debbie Nemitz @813-501-9567 or debbie.bpnews@gmail.com if you have any questions.



Kelly & Jim Gallagher In Memory of Matthew Cory Gallagher

Sally & Bob Hoffman In Memory of Trent Allen Peck

Jackie & George Loadholtz In Memory of Glenn Edward Loadholtz

Paul Maynard In Memory of Pamela Lynn Maynard & Susan Claudine Maynard

Debbie & Bill Nemitz In Memory of Robyn Michelle Nemitz

Yolanda Lucena & Oswald Patino In Memory of Brando J. Mosquera Stacy & Robert Popkin In Memory of Kalyn Alissa Popkin

Libbie & Pete Rucys In Memory of Elliott Rucys

Lori & Richard Scragg In Memory of Keith Joseph Scragg

Carmen Varga In Memory of Jozsef Varga

Julie & Steve Woofter In Memory of Kimberly Ann "Kimie"

Rita & Thomas Zvada In Memory of Capt Christopher Cash

We would also like to thank all of you who came to our Candle Lighting Service in December. A special thanks to all who participated in the program. Thanks to the many of you who brought food for the reception. We thank all of you for any donations you made which helped our event to be a success.

Many thanks to Karen & Dan Price who arranged for Mike Felker, owner of World-Class-Multimedia.com to donate his time and equipment for our candlelighting service...They also arranged for Island Flowers to donate carnations so each family could have one . Thanks and much appreciation to both Mike Felker and Island Flowers.



Our Children . . . Remembered

So long as we live, they too shall live ... For they are a part of us as we remember them.

December Birthdays

Baker, Jennifer 12/13/1973 - 10/15/1995 P-Terry & Susan Baker

Barnes Hannah D. M. 12/28/94 - 12/28/94 P - Alfred & Sabrina Barnes

Flynn, Philip 12/17/1977-8/8/2002 M-Roseanne Flynn

Gonzalez, Miriam 12/10/1948 - 7/26/1995 P-Fernando & Paula Lespier S-Maria, Aida & George

Hidalgo, Christopher 12/14/1989 - 7/5/2004 M-Tammy Hidalgo

Horton, Ryan 12/21/1980 - 1/23/2005 M-Sue Horton

Libby, Josalin Katherine "Josie" 12/20/11 - 1/30/12 M- Katelin Abney F- Joseph Libby S - Sebrie Aronson

Lingefelt, Fiona 12/20/1989 - 10/15/2000 P - Karen & Douglas Lingefelt B-Alexander & Andrew

Lovett, Sandra Sandy 12/3/1968 - 10/4/1997 M - Barbara Bryant

Martin, Amanda Louise 12/31/1971-6/19/2008 M- Toni Martin

Montagano, Anthony J. "Tony" 12/02/91 - 01/02/01 P-Luli and Jim Montagano S-Alessandra Montagano GP-Henry and Eloisa Valenzuela

Murphy, Mark Lawrence 12/22/1968 - 2/21/2000 M - Rosalie Baum B - John Murphy

Nemitz, Robyn Michelle 12/28/82 - 06/16/98 P - Debbie & Bill Nemitz B - John Nemitz GP - Laura Nemitz

Patet, Nathan Gabriel 12/18/88 - 06/10/90 P - Maritza & Jeff Patet S - Mallory Patet & Gina Patet GP-Gus & Lourdes Arenas and Don and the late Betty Patet

Pitts, Joseph David 12/8/1971 - 7/16/1998 P - Ruth & Richard Pitts

Price, Karissa Danielle 6/19/90 - 12/8/12 P - Karen and Dan Price S - Kaleigh GP - Eleanor Arnold and Jerry and Kathie Sealock

Robertson, Kristi Lee 12/15/1969 - 7/29/1994 M - Janice & Joe Robertson S - Kathy Sanchez & Karen Demeria GM-Mildred Trigg

Rucys, Elliott Joseph 12/19/2007-1/18/2008 P-Pete & Libbie Rucys S-Sydney & Aiden Rucys GP-Wynn,Cheryl,Jodi Elliott and Joe & Sandra Rucys, Nancy Alvis Ruiz, Marcus Nelson 12/29/1996 - 11/12/2000 P - Aleida & Nelson Ruiz S - Illana

Sasnett, Debbie Powell 12/14/1956 - 03/31/2000 P-Jackie & Billy Powell B-Debby & Tony S-Penny

Thomas, Carol 12/16/1955-2/16/2003 M-Betty Thatcher Sibs-Deb Waldfoge, Ellen Williams, on Fran Thatcher & Gerri Hust

Waller, Lauren Marie 12/12/1990 - 4/16/2000 M - Kristine Colding & Bryan Strahan B-Christopher S-Faith GP-Joyce & Gene Waller

Williams, Paul X. 12/2/1986-12/24/2005 P-Amber & Tracy MacDonald Sibs-Molly & Daniel Williams GP-John & Rosemarie Binder

December Anniversaries

Antinora, Joseph A. 8/18/1967-12/9/2006 M-Susan Antinora S-Tina Baxter GF-Jos. Harnishfeger

Barnes Hannah D. M. 12/28/94 - 12/28/94 P - Alfred & Sabrina Barnes

Bishop, Krystal Lee 8/1/1988 - 12/24/2001 P-Pam & Rick Bishop S-Angie Valente & Missy Bishop B-Greg Bishop GM-Marilyn Eddy

Bliss, Lindsay Rebecca 4/26/1977 - 12/1/1991 P - Jim & Mary Beth Bliss S - Shannon Bliss

Booker, Michelle Elizabeth 3/25/1987 - 12/1/2004 P-Michael & Bonnie Booker B-Justine & Dillon Booker GP-Betty Nichols and Ed & Janice Falcon GM-Pat Donnarumma

Dalv. Cole 9/9/1983 - 12/17/2001 M-Katie Brock

Darby, Marc Steven 3/25/1986 - 12/12/1998 P - Steve & Lori Darby S - Cody, Austin, Benjamin GP - John & Linda Darby

Delk, Melissa Ann 11/13/72 - 12/09/77 M - Linda Delk B - Louis Delk S - Meronda Brown

Donnarumma, Sophia Marie 9/1/2000 - 12/23/2004 P-Benjamin & Diane S-Olivia

Douglas, Christopher 11/4/1977 - 12/22/1997 M - Laren & Michael S - Stacy & Leigh B - Clinton

Durr, Jacob Nathaniel 7/16/1982-12/14/2009 M-Karen Durr S-Danielle Roberts GP-Samuel & Margaret Minton

Ellis, Douglas William 01/09/62 - 12/17/83 M - Alicia Ellis West B-Harry Jr. & Edward Ellis Gallagher, Matthew 8/18/92 - 12/12/11 P- Kelly & Jim Gallagher B-Tim

Hinchey, Ronald 11/17/1974 - 12/10/1999 P - Ronald & Donna Hinchey S - Tracy Foster

Knight, Matthew A. 9/1/1982 - 12/28/2001 P-Ron & Sandy Knight GM-Jack & Mary Griffin & Doris I. Knight

Lespinasse, Bryan 3/8/1991 - 12/27/2004 M-Margarett Lespinasse

O'Berry, Michael Sean 09/13/94 - 12/15/97 P - Mike & Valerie O'Berry B - Christopher O'Berry GM - Linda Hoffman A - Joyce Weil U - Mike Kasrich

Pegram, Robin Sue 03/13/73 - 12/05/93 P - Earl & Susan Pegram S - Jodi Pegram B - Scooter & Craig Pegram GM-Betty Jennings

Price, Karissa Danielle 6/19/90 - 12/8/12 P - Karen and Dan Price S - Kaleigh GP - Eleanor Arnold and Jerry and Kathie Sealock

Ramirez, Arthur, Jr. 6/10/1951 - 12/30/1997 M-Helen Ramirez

Schlechty, Michael 2/5/59 - 12/4/01 P - Nancy & Vernon Schlechty Children - Michael Leann & Morgan Lynn S - Kristi, Teresa, & Pamela B - Mark S - Amy

Shearer, Shane 08/03/73 - 12/05/89 M - Linda Shearer SF - Keith Gregory S - January Shearer

Thompson, Kimberly Karlin 5/5/1976 - 12/6/1999 P - Sam & Ingrid Thompson

Weber, Barbara Jean 6/4/1953 - 12/14/1994 P - Weldon & Jean Weber

Williams, Paul X. 12/2/1986-12/24/2005 P-Amber & Tracy MacDonald Sibs-Molly & Daniel Williams GP-John & Rosemarie Binder

Woofter, Kimberly Ann.."Kimie" 2/24/1970 - 12/25/2006 P-Julie & Steve Woofter Children -Michael & Dystin Sibs-Angela Huntley & Donny

Zorn, Wayne 7/15/1964 - 12/30/2006 M-Charlotte Zorn



January Birthdays

Baker, Brendolyn Joyce Butterfly 1/1/1948 - 11/9/1990 M - Rebeckah Mitchell SF - Daniel Mitchell B - Daniel Leroy Mitchell S - Sharolyn Mitchell, Rhondolyn Shedrick, Lerolyn Capehart, and Angelyn Capehart

Clark, Deborah Denise 1/19/1969 - 3/23/2002 M-Ethel Helms S-Valencia Clark B-James Jr. & Jerel GP-Luella Buford & John L.Clark

DeLosSantos, Ailen 1/6/1975-5/5/2009 M-Elena Franklin B-Orlando DeLosSantos Jr.

Diaz, Alexandra 01/28/98 - 01/28/98 P - Llz & Joaquin Diaz

Durcan, Andrea Lynn 01/15/1991 - 03/31/1991 P - David & Dixie Durcan S - Lindsey & Lauren Durcan GP-Marie B. Corcoran

Ellis, Douglas William 01/09/62 - 12/17/83 M - Alicia Ellis West B-Harry Jr. & Edward Ellis

Feierstadt, Keith 01/13/75 - 01/16/94 P - Donna & Sy Feierstadt B - Robert Feierstadt

Gonzalez, Tarik C. 1/16/1976 - 10/12/2007 M-Susan Zapata GM-Jacqueline Rodriguez Harrill, Jason 1/23/1984 - 6/12/2006 P-Bonnie & David Harrill S-Michelle "MiMi"

Harris, Charlotte Marie 1/23/2004 - 2/3/2004 P-Tony & Debra Harris

Hughes, Jessica Alexis 1/13/86 - 5/11/02 F - Michael Hughes

Jones, Sherry 1/18/1971 - 4/27/2000 M - Brenda Copeland

Kent, Jesse David 1/6/1981-1/7/2001 P-Bonita & Greg Kent Child-Zoe Sibs-Lali & Daniele GP-Mimi& Grandpa Jim & Grandma Susie Children - Brytani, Derak & Melody

Langford, Todd Allen 01/05/78 - 04/27/01 P - Fred & Janice Langford B - Robbie Langford S - Kathy Peterson G/P - Betty Williams & H.P & Ruby Langford

Miulli, Matthew Michael 11/27/1987-1/19/2005 P-Jim & Kathy Miulli GP-Rudy Prehnal and Mike & Sue Miulli

01/23/72 - 09/14/98 P - Catherine Webb & Philip Finkelstein S - Michelle Webb GP-Anne & Owen Beglane

Pittman, Cynthia Marie 1/25/1978 - 2/23/2003 P-Charles & Joan Pittman

Pispitsos, Richard John

Popkin, Kalyn 1/23/09 -7/11/13 P - Stacy & Robert Popkin

Powers, Geoffrey A. 1/23/1983 - 7/1/2005 M-Diane Tower Sisters-Lana & Nikki Powers

Rodriquez, Edwin (Eddy) Jr. 1/11/1971 - 7/28/1993 M-Bertha Dominquez

Rogers, Jason R. 01/08/78 - 03/21/90 P-James Roy & Elaine Rogers B-Justin & Jacob Rogers GP-Arthur & Ethel Fernandez

Russell, Karron Michelle 1/20/1967 - 9/12/2000 P - Ben & Sue Bowditch and Sisters - Catherine,Roben & Laurie Bobby Jr.& Scott GP-Cathren Dickerson and Jimmy & Kay Senseney

Schneider, Adam 01/29/71 - 10/23/75 P - Bill & Georgia Schneider

St. Martin-Hamm, Sydney Chanel 1/9/1997 - 7/21/2003 M-Joy St. Martin & the late Rusty Hamm GP-Ramon & Rita Hamm

Stoeltzing, William (Bill) W. 01/02/57 - 05/09/02 P - Bill & Elvira Stoeltzing S - Cecille Parido Father to Eaton & Brent

Thornton, Teresa E. 01/12/66 - 09/24/81 P - Ken & Mirta Thornton S - Lisa Buckner B - Nick Thornton GP-Tony & Berneda Pino

Wilds, Matthew Leland 01/12/74 - 01/13/95 P - Steven and Karen Catlin B - Daniel Scott Wilds



January Anniversaries

Brady, Mark A. 09/27/57 - 01/03/89 M - Margaret Brady S -Margaret J. Bruner B - Hayward L. "Bubba" Brady, Jr. GP-Wallace & Josephine Bagley & Wm. & Cinderalla Brady

DeRoche, Cameron Gaines 04/11/89 - 01/25/95 P - Peggy & Karl DeRoche S - Mary Amber DeRoche

Diaz, Alexandra 01/28/98 - 01/28/98 P - Llz & Joaquin Diaz

Feierstadt, Keith 01/13/75 - 01/16/94 P - Donna & Sy Feierstadt B - Robert Feierstadt

Garcia, Larry D. 11/8/1983 - 1/10/2007 M-Consuelo Rios

Harris, Joshua 1/22/2004 P-Charles & Debra Harris Hernandez, Rebecca 02/10/89 - 01/28/91 P - Regla & Pedro Hernandez

Horton, Ryan 12/21/1980 - 1/23/2005 M-Sue Horton

Jakenbowski, John 4/18/1968-1/15/2008 M-Marsha Shemela B-Jason Jakenbowski

Kent, Jesse David 1/6/1981-1/7/2001 P-Bonita & Greg Kent Child-Zoe Sibs-Lali & Daniele GP-Mimi& Grandpa Jim & Grandma Susie

Lane, Jim 9/7/1966 - 1/2/2005 M-Carol Lane Martini, Michael Gerard 6/18/1964 - 1/26/2009 P-Dianne Ezell & Michael B-Pamela Martini Niece - Destiny Martin May, Philip 8/1/1975 - 1/1/2000 P-Deryl & Jennifer May

Montagano, Anthony J. "Tony" 12/02/91 - 01/02/01 P-Luli and Jim Montagano S-Alessandra Montagano GP-Henry and Eloisa Valenzuela

Parrish, Scott Douglas 8/9/79 - 1/1/02 P - Doug Parrish and P - Karla & Rick Brown S-Sabbrina Lee Shannon GP - Juanita Bodiford & Ada Smith

Rivera, Damian Elijah 11/19/2001 - 01/10/2002 M-Nicole Rivera

Robinson, Ashley Lauren 05/20/94 - 01/16/96 P - Sara & Tim Robinson S - Morgan Ashley Robinson Rucys, Elliott Joseph 12/19/2007-1/18/2008 P-Pete & Libbie Rucys S-Sydney & Aiden Rucys GP-Wynn,Cheryl,Jodi Elliott and Joe & Sandra Rucys, Nancy Alvis

Thompson, Timothy A. 10/27/70 - 01/07/93 P- Bettie & Richard Thompson

Walker, Nick 11/12/1983 - 1/11/2001 M - Denise Walker GM - Shirley Walker

Wheeler, Clifford Denmark 11/1/1979 - 1 /18/1996 M-Donna Wheeler B-John, James & Duane GP-Lynn & Marcel Baker



February Birthdays

Baker, Holly K. 02/11/84 - 11/15/96 M - Evonne M. Baker

Blanchard, Eric Anthony 2/19/1976 - 8/3/1998 P - Barbara & Wayne Blanchard S - Lisa, Tammy, Dawn B - Chris & Michael Daughter - Samantha

Blazowich, Anthony "Tony" Michael 2/20/1984 - 4/5/2006 M-Marianne & Daniel Sr. Blazowich B-Daniel, Jr. S-Jennifer

Matt Bridgmon 2/11/1978 - 11/4/1996 M- Jean Bridgmon

Brown, Joshua Aaron 2/3/1982 - 5/8/2008 M-Tami Porter

Burger, Jeffrey Robin 02/05/61 - 04/20/97 M - Cecelia Burger B - Hal & Curt Burger

Caldwell - Faught,Thomas 2/9/1997 - 5/24/2003 M-Shannon Caldwell Feanny, Jonathan 2/22/2005-2/22/2005 M-Elham Feanny

Ferlita, Vincent 02/25/2011—08/23/2011 P-Russ & Lisa Ferlita

Gochenaur, Laci 02/15/91 - 03/23/98 P - Kelli & Chris Gochenaur S - Jacee & Riley Gochenaur GP - Ronald & Clarine Barton M - Pat Dukes

Hafford, Lauren Elizabeth 2/17/1977 - 4/13/1999 P - Gwen & John Hafford S - Lindsay & Lesley Hafford

Harris, Eric Michael 2/4/1984 - 9/12/2003 P-Mike & Pam Harris B-Mark GM-Joan Matthews & Verna Harris

Head, Tyler Wade 2/21/1995 - 7/15/2004 M-Tammy Hill F-Jerry Toloff GF - German Toloff Hernandez, Rebecca 02/10/89 - 01/28/91 P - Regla & Pedro Hernandez

Jackson Soraya 2/26/1997-8/17/2006 M-Catherine Creen

Kelley, Emmanuel 2/27-10/25/2006 M-Cynthia Kelley Aunt-Deitra Luropler Cousin -Angel Kelley

Kenefick, Aaron Michael 2/5/1979-9/8/2009 M-Susan Price B-Jacque & Jade GM-Carol Price

Kowall, Spec. Corey J. 2/1/1989-9/20/2009 M-Kelly Kowall Sibs-Kyla Tackett & Kristen Kowall GP-Marshall & Marty Schoeff

Petrelis, Marcle 02/28/09-11/02/2010 P-Matthew & Shavonn Petrelis Robertson, Ty Kristan 2/4/1979 - 3/29/2003 P-Jim & Teresa Farmer S-Toni-Danielle Robertson B-Chris Farmer GM-Wanda Warren Children-Taylor Morris, Trystan & Jordan Robertson

St. Peter, Alexis (Gibson) 2/2/1980-4/28/2008 P-Karyl St.Peter

Schlechty, Michael 2/5/59 - 12/4/01 P - Nancy & Vernon Schlechty Children - Michael Leann & Morgan Lynn B - Mark and Julie S - Amy

Stallard, Judy Lynn 02/28/1981 - 04/24/1981 M-Patricia (Stallard) Bass F-Joe Stallard

Thompson, Scott 2/18/1985-5/12/2006 M-Martha Thompson

Widoff, Craig 2/2/1951-4/27/2002 M-Lucille Widoff Child-Andrea Widoff Sibs-Preston & Pamela Wisner, James R. 2/20/1982 - 2/24/1999 P-Wayne & Sharen Wisner S - Crystal Wisner

Woofter, Kimberly Ann "Kimie 2/24/1970 -12/25/2006 P-Julie & Steve Woofter S-Angela Huntley B-Donny Killian



You must contact us to have your child's name added to the newsletter, they are not automatically added. If we have omitted your child, misspelled your child's name, or listed incorrect dates or other information, please accept our apologies and contact Debbie Nemitz at debbie.bpnews@gmail.com or 813-501-9567 to correct the information. . Any errors are unintentional. and we sincerely apologize in advance. Call any of our telephone friends if you are having a hard time on these days or even other days if you need to talk. We truly understand your pain; for we, too, remember our own children.

February Anniversaries

Asci, Jason 8/19/1979 - 2/7/2008 F - Brian Asci Children - AJ & Adriana

Castellano, Lina 9/15/1966 - 2/20/2004 P - Sam & Jean Castellano

Engdahl, Andrew 07/15/87 - 02/05/94 P - Rick & Vicky Engdahl S - Stephanie Engdahl B - Joey Engdahl

Feanny, Jonathan 2/22/2005 - 2/22/2005 M - Elham Feanny

Hadley, Katrina 11/17/1961 - 2/4/2006 M - Grace Therman Harris, Charlotte Marie 1/23/2004 - 2/3/2004 P - Tony & Debra Harris

Jacobson, Nathan 11/8/1994 - 2/16/2008 P - Amy & Pete Jacobson

Lane, Matthew Alexander 6/22/2001 - 2/13/2003 M - Mary Ann Muschick S - Nikol B - Devvin GP - Hieu & David Muschick

Loadholtz, Glenn Edward 11/25/1969 - 2/15/2005 P - George & Jackie Loadholtz S - Gwen Walkowiak

Murphy, Mark Lawrence 12/22/1968 - 2/21/2000 M - Rosalie Baum B - John Murphy Nadir, Peter 4/6/1971 - 2/8/2003 M - Barbar Nadir S - Sue McFowan

Owens, Kenny Dwayne 6/27/1961 - 2/25/2005 P - Jimmy & Sylvia Mingo S - Tina Jernigan & Donna

Parrish, Randy 08/22/57 - 02/10/97 M - Juanita Bodiford B - Dough Parrish

Pittman, Cynthia Marie 1/25/1978 - 2/23/2003 P - Charles & Joan Pittman

Shemela, Kenneth 6/24/1964 - 2/19/2009 P - Bill & Barbara Shemela B - Bill Shemela, Jr. Short, Kimberley 10/21/1969 - 2/11/1993 P - Terrance & Sue Short

Supple, Bart Patrick 07/25/59 - 02/14/94 P - Bart & Toni Supple

Thomas, Carol 12/16/1955 - 2/16/2003 M - Betty Thatcher S - Deb Waldfoge, Ellen Williams, Fran Thatcher, Gerri Huston

Willis, Melody 8/10/1971 - 2/27/2010 F - Martin Willis

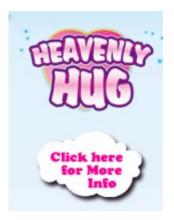
Wisner, James R. 2/20/1982 - 2/24/1999 P - Wayne & Sharen Wisner S - Crystal Wisner



ONGOING FUNDRAISERS

We have added a new page to our website and to our newsletter. It will be for ongoing fund raisers. There are already a couple of companies who have an ad and will be making a donation to Bereaved Parents when their items are purchased. If any of you have businesses and would like to advertise, please get in touch with Debbie by calling 813-501-9567 or emailing debbie.bpnews@gmail.com.

Please check out the first two companies who are participating. There is more information on our site.



Please check this page out. The link on our website will take you to their website where you can order one of these very well made, soft, beautiful angels with long arms and a Velcro closure so they can actually hug you. Be sure to go through the link on our webpage so that Bereaved Parents gets the generous amount being donated with each purchase.

Thanks to those who have ordered from Heavenly Hug. We appreciate your support.

http://www.bpusatampabay.com/



You can get to Deb's Soy Candles, Cards and More through the BP website. You can also go directly to www.debssoycandles.com . Candles make a great gift and with the holidays approaching, consider ordering custom soy candles. You choose the container, color and fragrance.



Listen to *"Hope, Healing & Help"* every Saturday from 11:00 til noon Pacific Time on KFIA 710AM Sacramento or <u>www.kfia.com</u>. Can't listen in at that time? All of their programs are available to listen to on their website, <u>www.hopehealinghelp.com</u>.

THIS CAN BE A CONSTRUCTIVE IF NOT A HAPPY YEAR

Margaret H. Gerner, St. Louis

Happy New Year??? "How can it ever be again?" "How will I ever make it through another year of this torment?" When we are hurting and so terribly depressed, it is hard to see any good in our New Year, but we must try.

First, we must hold on tightly to the idea that we will not always be this miserable, that we will someday feel good again. This is almost impossible to believe, but even if we don't believe it, we must tell ourselves over and over again that it is true — because it is! Many parents whose children have died in the past will attest to this. Remember, also no one can suffer indefinitely as you are suffering now.

Second, we must face the new year with the knowledge that this year offers us a choice whether we will be on our way to healing this time next year or still be in the pit of intense grief. We must remind ourselves that if we choose to be on our way to healing by the following year, we must work to get there and that work entails allowing ourselves to go through our grief, to cry, to be angry, to talk about our guilts, to do whatever is necessary to move towards healing.

Third, we must look for good in our lives and find reasons to go on and accept the fact that our continued suffering will not bring our child back. Many of us have other children and a spouse for whom we must go on. Most important, we have our own lives that must be lived. Most of us know that our dead children would want us to go on!

No, this coming year may not be a happy one, but it can be a constructive one. Through our grief we can grow and become more understanding, loving, compassionate, and aware of the real values in life. Let us not waste this New Year.



<u>October -November 2013</u> POSTMASTER - <u>Dated Material</u> Please do not delay.

Address Correction Requested

We are the Bereaved Parents of the USA. We Welcome You.

Together we celebrate the lives of our children, share the joys and triumphs as well as the love that will never fade. Together we learn how little it matters where we live, our color, our affluence, or what faith we uphold as we confront the tragedies of our children's deaths. Together, strengthened by the bonds we forge at our gatherings, we offer what we have learned to each other and to every more recently bereaved family.

We attend monthly gatherings whenever we can and for as long as we believe necessary. We share our tears, confusion, anger, guilt, frustrations, emptiness, and feelings of hopelessness so that hope can be found anew. As we accept, support, comfort and encourage each other, we demonstrate to each other that survival is possible.

We are the parents whose children have died. We are the grandparents who have buried grandchildren. We are the siblings whose brothers and sisters no longer walk with us through life. We come together as Bereaved Parents of the USA to provide a haven where all bereaved families can meet and share our long and arduous grief journeys. There are things that we don't want to happen but have to accept, things we don't want to know but have to learn, and people we can't live without but have to let go.

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