## January—March 2013



# Tampa Bay Chapter

P.O. Box 7034 Brandon, Florida 33508 www.bpusatampabay.com

## **MEETING INFORMATION**

Regular Monthly <u>SUNDAY</u> Meeting (held the second Sunday of the month) Sunday, January 13, February 10, & March 3, 2013 6:30 PM St. Joseph's Hospital Medical Arts Building, Auditorium 3001 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Call Debbie Nemitz at 813-907-1441 for directions or information.

Regular Monthly <u>DAYTIME</u> Meeting Riverview/Gibsonton/Brandon areas (held the second Friday each month) Friday, January 11, February 8, & March 8, 2013 10:00 a.m. to Noon The Greater Brandon Chamber of Commerce 330 Pauls Drive, Brandon, Florida 33511 Call Debbie Nemitz at 813-907-1441 for directions or information.

Regular Monthly <u>PLANT CITY</u> Meeting (Normally held the first Wednesday of each month) Wednesday, January 2, February 6, &March 6, 2013 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. South Florida Baptist Hospital 301 N. Alexander Street, Plant City

in the Community Conference Room Call Janice Falcon at 813-997-1709 for directions or information.

This month's newsletter is lovingly sponsored by the families of: Larry D Garcia and Michael David Holmberg

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# **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) 907-1441
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.

#### **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 or 1/2 page for \$30.00. This can include photograph(s) and your tribute to your child. If you need help you can send what you want included and Debbie will design the page for you. Your contribution helps to supports the chapter.

To sponsor a newsletter page, contact Debbie Nemitz @ 813-907 -1441 or at debbie.bpnews@gmail.com. She will give you the address to send the check to. Please note that sponsorship pages are <u>due by the 20th of the month BEFORE the publication</u> <u>month. We will begin to do the newsletters every 2 months.</u>, <u>Try to have anything for March or April to her by the middle of</u> <u>February.</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. **At this point**, we are not able to mail the newsletter unless special arrangements have been made, however we still need you to keep us informed of any e-mail address changes.

#### 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.



Gregg Lalis In loving memory of **Timmy Lalis** 

Gayle & John Cornish In loving memory of **David McElwaine** 

Judy & Tom Sluder In loving memory of **Theresa Sluder Keith Sluder Katherine Sluder**  Patricia Kelley In loving memory of **Christopher Kelley** 

Kathy & Michael Williams In loving memory of **Alec Michael Williams** 

Kelly & James Gallagher In loving memory of Matthew Cory Gallagher Kathrine & Richard Strom, Jr. In loving memory of **Patrick Strom** 

Eloisa Valenzuela In loving memory of **Anthony Montagno** 

Marcia Arnold In loving memory of

Sandy Boehnig In loving memory of **Caylee Cepero** 

We want to thank all of the families who attended the Candle Lighting ceremony in December. We also thank all who made love gifts, who participated in the ceremony, who brought food or donated items to the boutique. We appreciate every effort made by all of you to insure not only the Candle Lighting was successful, but also to help the chapter as we move forward.

## 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 @813-907-1441 or debbie.bpnews@gmail.com if you have any questions.

### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT / REQUEST

Many of you have already been getting this newsletter delivered to your e-mail address. We began offering it several years ago as our way of "going green". However, at this point, we are asking that EVERYONE who has access to a computer provide us with their email address or go to our website online @ http://www.bpusatampabay.com/Newsletters.html . It is very costly to have these printed and mailed. We are unable to continue to print, at least for the time being. We have to get caught up on some bills before we can hope to print again. If you do not have access to a computer, then please contact us and we will try to get you a copy for a small donation.. We appreciate your understanding our situation.

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# Our Children . . . Remembered

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## **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 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

Pispitsos, Richard John 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

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

# 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 Russell, Karron Michelle 1/20/1967 - 9/12/2000 P - Ben & Sue Bowditch and Children - Brytani, Derak & Melody Sisters - Catherine,Roben & Laurie Bobby Jr.& Scott

GP-Cathren Dickerson and

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

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

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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

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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



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Berry, Michelle 3/8/1967 - 4/2/2003 P-Joanne & Lawrence Ouellette B-Russ,David,Scott & Joe S-Denise Volo Son-Bobby

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

Buchanan, Sierra Lan 03/07/96 - 05/25/96 P -Kim & Bryan Buchanan S - May Linh Buchanan

Clark, Kellen William 3/16/82 - 4/15/02 F - Bill Clark

Combs, Phillip J. 3/24/1986 - 6/12/2004 P-Lisa Pyche' & Phil Combs B-Travis Combs GP-fhomas & Sharon Pyche' 3/23/1998 - 9/4/2000 P - Scott & Traci Cooley B - Nolan S - Madelyn & Olivia Cowen, Chad 3/31/1973 - 6/7/1997 P - Mary "Pete" & Mike Cowen S - Tiffany Larson

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

Dixon, Austin Ryan 03/18/97 - 05/18/98 P - Carrie & Robert Dixon S-Sara Ryan Dixon

Ellington, Timothy 03/06/62 - 05/25/91 F - Ron Ellington

Fernandez, Karen Irene 03/08/68 - 08/23/88 M - Violeta"Cookie" Fernandez B-Rik Fernandez

Griffis, Julia Rose 03/05/92 - 03/05/92 P - Bruce & Kathy Griffis

Gugliotta, Dan & Nadine 3/26/1976 - 10/14/2003 P-Dan & Nadine Gugliotta Son-Jason Howard, Christopher L. 3/27/1975 - 5/18/2000 M-Cay Pelaez

Landrum, Mark 03/03/79 - 06/24/94 M - Joan Landrum Adams-Hilliard F - Steve Landrum B - John Landrum

Lavin, Kevin Joseph 03/24/80 - 03/30/95 P - Kathy & Mike Lavin S - Maggie & Kaitlin Lavin Gdm -Catherine Lavin

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

Mink-Miller, Deborha 3/26/1965 - 9/27/1991 M-Diane Mink S-Renee Mink Crosby

Pegram, Robin Sue 03/13/73 - 12/05/93 P - Earl & Susan Pegram S - Jodi Pegram B - Scooter & Craig Pegram GM-Betty Jennings Prescott, Alexandria 3/25/1990 - 6/28/2017 Stephanie & Tracy Knox

Rainey, Wendy Michelle Price 3/7/1968-9/27/2006 M-Shelia Farmer (Lassiter) B-Peter Price S-Emily Furst

Rayburn, Geoffrey (Jeff) Ware 3/2/1970 - 10/15/1995 P-Robert and Sue Moos B-Bobby Moos S-Amy Rayburn GP-Richard & Jeannette Roberson and Josephine Rayburn

Rogers, Dayna Andrew 3/12/1973 - 11/27/1994 M - Linda Heatherly S - Misty Walker & Amber Roger

Simone, Benjamin Arthur 3/29/1975 -10/10/1997 P -David & Kathy Simone S -Dawn Figueroa

Tucker, Vince 3/8/1972 - 4/26/2005 M-Glenda Tucker A-Judith Gude



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 813-907-1441 to correct the information.

Please bear with us as we are transitioning the newsletter. 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.

## **March Anniversaries**

Banda, Selena 7/6/2002 - 3/4/2004 P-Richard & Susan Banda

Byda, Hanna Douglas 7/25/2005- 3/19/2010 P-Erica Buhrke & Fred Byda

Cepero, Caylee Marie 9/3/2000 - 3/8/2005 P-Dawn and Lee Cepero B-Corbin S-Kennedy GP-Sandy Boehning

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

Collum, Brian H. 5/11/1965 - 3/7/2005 M-Diana Reams B-Reid Collum

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

Ferrera, Crista J. 8/23/1975 - 03/11/1997 P - Nelson & Guisela Ferrera B - Paolo Ferrera GM - Magda Alvarez Aunt - Mirta Diaz Uncle - John Ferrera Gallian, John Charles 8/8/1963 - 3/21/1998 M-Virgian Gallian S-Paige Mask

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

Gould, Richard J. 9/26/1981 - 3/3/2001 M-Cindy Phelps-Wise F-Ralph Gould B-Ryan, Bryan & Mark S-Karen

Griffis, Julia Rose 03/05/92 - 03/05/92 P - Bruce & Kathy Griffis

Holmberg, Michael David 05/15/1976—03/02/2011 M-Mary Ellen Holmberg B-Kristian Holmberg, & Stephen Holmberg

Kinchen, Kevin 5/18/1985-3/16/2008 P-Eugene &Cynthia Kickner W-Chelsey Kinchen D-Kaylee, Tessa S-JoyKay & Hailey Kinchen B-Robert Kinchen

L'Homme, Ryan 4/16 /81 - 3/23/00 P - Charles & Teresa L'Homme S - Cortney L'Homme Lavin, Kevin Joseph 03/24/80 - 03/30/95 P -Kathy & Mike Lavin S - Maggie & Kaitlin Lavin Gdm - Catherine Lavin

Marchetti, Katie 8/4/1989 - 3/4/2006 P-Vin & Laura Marchetti B-Andrew Marchetti

Nichols, Shannon Jr. 10/5/1979 -3/29/2004 M-Terrena Nichols F-Shannon Nichols S-Brandy& Melissa Nichols

Pfister, Megan Lynn 5/2/1990 - 3/3/1999 P - Frank & Stephanie Pfister

Regis, Chad 4/7/1971 - 3/22/2005 P-Ray & LaRae Regis GP-Bea Forbes

Rivera, Erick 6/4/1988-3/21/2010 P-Maricela & Jose Rivera

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

Rose, Kailyn Dyann 8/22/2000 - 3/4/2003 M-Evelyn E. Rose

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

Sluder, Kathryn Elizabeth 8/31/1966 - 3/16/2002 P-Tom & Judy Sluder Son-Israel S-Theresa B-Tom III & Keith N/N-Brandon & Brandy, Keith II & Miranda

Tarez, Kami 7/1/1980 - 3/1/2006 M-Leigh Tarez

Todd, Joan 4/22/1960 - 3/12/2004 M - Mary McCord



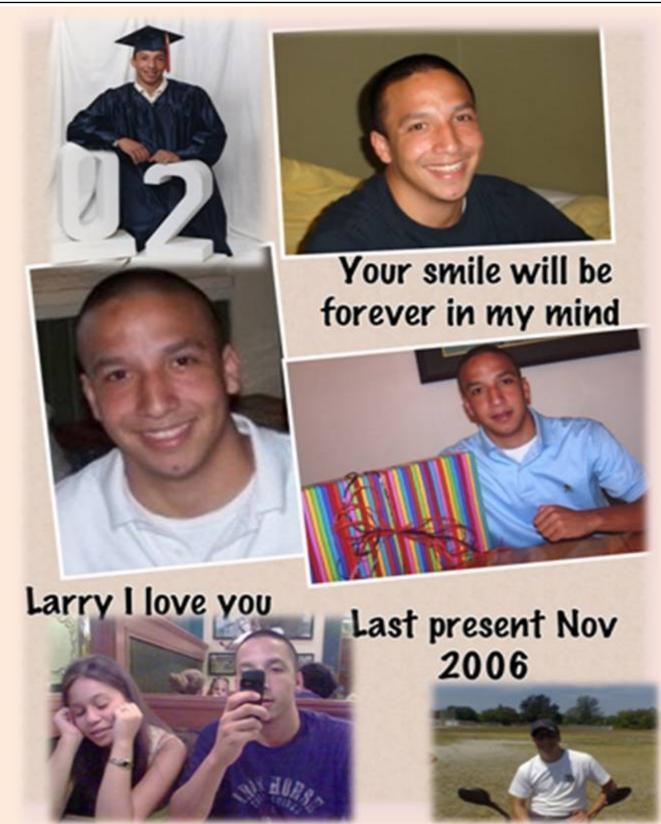


The National Gathering is being held July 26-28 in Sacramento, CA Please see the other attachment for the registration or http://www.bereavedparentsusa.org/

I went to the cemetery today. After all these years, it still rips my heart out to be in that place. To realize the only thing I can do for you is to give you flowers that will only fade. I think of all the things I should be doing for you, giving to you and experiencing with you, it is then that I realize changing the flowers will never be enough to make up for the things we did not get to do or say.

I was strong and I did not cry, I left you beautiful flowers as my heart broke once again.

Posted by <u>Traci Cooley</u> http://confessionsofaproverbs31.blogspot.com/2013/01/changing-flowers.html



Larry D. Garcia, my dear son, who lived with me 23 beautiful years, but will remain in my memory as long as I live...

### MICHAEL DAVID HOLMBERG

May 15, 1976 – March 2, 2011



Hold on to what is good even if it's a handful of earth. Hold on to what you believe even if it's a tree that stands by itself. Hold on to what you must do even if it's a long way from here. Hold on to your life even if it's easier to let go. Hold on to my hand even when I've gone away from you. --a Hopi prayer

In loving memory of Michael.....

from his grandmother, Edith his mother, Mary Ellen his brothers, Kristian and Stephen



October -November 2012 POSTMASTER - Dated Material 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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