



Tampa Bay Chapter
c/o Lori Scragg
1406 Stephens Oak Ct
Plant City, FL 33567

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This month's newsletter is being sponsored by the family of:

Lisa Wilson

MEETING INFORMATION

Regular Monthly SUNDAY Meeting

(held the second Sunday of each month)

March 9 and April 13

6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

St. Joseph's Hospital

Medical Arts, Auditorium

3001 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

Tampa, FL

Call Lori Scragg at 813-361-2946

for directions or information.

Regular Monthly Brandon NIGHTTIME

Meeting

Riverview/Gibson/Brandon areas

**** (held the last Thursday of each month)**

March 27 and April 24

6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

HCA Florida Brandon Hospital

119 Oakfield Drive, Brandon, FL

Cafeteria - Oak Room

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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			April 2025			

Spring is almost here. We changed our clocks to go back to daylight sayings so we have an extra hour of daylight to have fun in the sun. Hopefully the winter weather of January is long gone. The shift to the spring weather has been very nice. We are planning to have our butterfly release on May4th. See page 3 for the flyer showing all the information. We hope you can join us for our event which helps us to be able to run the chapter free of charge.

Enjoy the lovely weather!
 Debbie

Chapter News

Angel of Hope Information

www.angelofhopetampabay.com

Located at:

Riverside Park

201 Riverhills Drive,

Temple Terrace

Mailing Address:

P. O. Box 2573, Lutz, FL 33548

813.784-6929



www.angelofhopetampabay.com/

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
Lori Scragg (adult child & accident)	813-361-2946
Barbara Dietrich {Death of only child)	813-340-9120
Gregg Lalis (Death of young child)	813-778-2605
Julie Woofter (suicide)	813-754-4848
Sherry Reber (Sibling & Overdose)	813-598-2285
Rita Zvada (Se Habla Espanol)	813-961-1011

Crisis Center 211

Love Gifts

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.

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PRICE ADJUSTMENT TO Sponsor A Newsletter Page

Since we no longer print the newsletter, we have decided to reduce the costs of the memorial pages. Anyone can sponsor a page in this newsletter in memory of their child. The price for a **full page** is **\$30** which includes photographs and your tribute to your child (poems, stories or whatever you like). You may also choose a **half page** for **\$15**. Your contribution supports the chapter.

As an incentive to have more help to run the chapter, we are giving all of the steering committee members one free page each year.

To sponsor a newsletter page, contact Debbie Nemitz @ 813-501-9567 or at debbie.bpnews@gmail.com. Please note that sponsorship pages are **due by the 25th of the month BEFORE the publication month.** We publish every 2 months.

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.

Newsletter 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.



Bereaved Parents Tampa Bay Chapter Eleventh Annual Butterfly Release



WHEN:

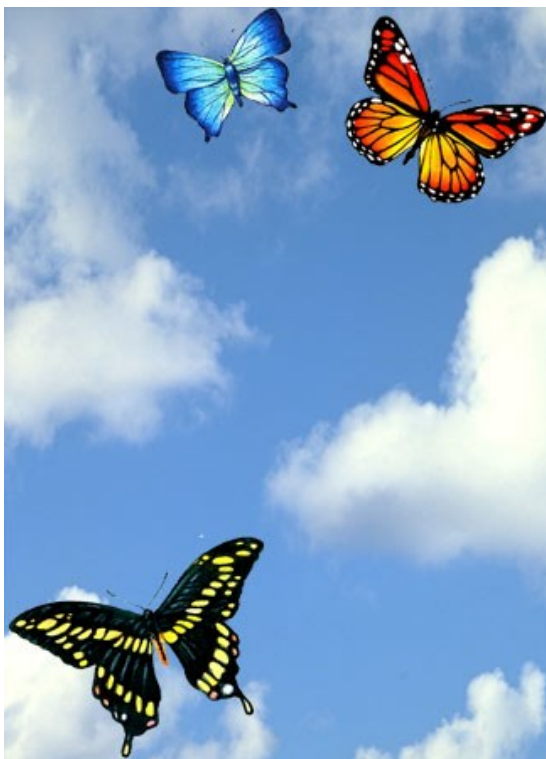
**May 4, 2025
2 PM to 3:30 PM
RAIN OR SHINE**

WHERE:

**Angel of Hope Park
201 S. Riverhills Dr.
Temple Terrace, FL**

COST:

**\$10 for each
butterfly
(Must be ordered and
paid for prior to
April 15th. There
will be NO EXTRAS.)
RSVP - ASAP**



**Raffles will be
held for gift
baskets. Tickets
will be \$1 or 6 for
\$5, 15 for \$10 or
35 for \$20 .**

**Send order with
checks to the
address below.**

**If you choose not
to participate in
the entire event,
you may order a
butterfly and
come by and pick**



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March Birthdays

Alvarado, Marisa
3/16/01 - 6/23/21
M - Becky Null
F - Jose Alvarado
B - Jose Flores, Kenny Perez, Odir
Jose Sorto
S - Carmen Alvarado, Zulma Sorto

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 - Thomas & Sharon Pyche'

Cooley, Malena Rose
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

Guy, Reese
3/27/2002 - 9/23/2020
M - Tammy Guy
Dad - Josh Miller
Grandparents - Kelly and Kerry Rhodes

Howard, Christopher L.
3/27/1975 - 5/18/2000
M - Cay Pelacz

Joseph III, Andrew
3/30/99 - 2/7/14
P - Deanna & Andrew Joseph Jr

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 - Margaret Lespinasse

McCoy, Sean Patrick
3/17/06 - 11/23/13
P - David & Siobhan McCoy
B - Michael McCoy

Mink-Miller, Deborah
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

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
B - Siobhan Castillo
S - Brayden Castillo
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

Wisniewski, Tyler
3/11/97 - 11/2/23
P - Sonya & Thomas Wisniewski
B - Seth
Children - Vanessa, Skylar



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Marie & Bill Baker
S - Tracy Goodson & Phylcia Baker
B - Jamey Baker

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

Blazowich, Anthony Michael
2/20/1984 - 4/5/2006
P - Daniel & Marianne Blazowich

Buckley, Deja'
4/26/2001 - 4/26/2001
P - Lisa John & Wade Buckley

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

Cason, Todd
10/28/1968 - 4/12/2003
P - Earl and Kay Cason

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

Corbett, Shaun
7/8/1985 - 4/23/2003
M - Ellen Corbett

Daniel, Michael John
8/19/1990 - 4/1/2010
P - Paul & Nadine Daniel
B - James Daniel
GP - Lewis John Daniel and
Steve & Margaret James

Decosta, Brittany
11/19/87 - 04/07/91
M - Kay Decosta

Dixon Jr., Anthony Howard
11/27/1978 - 4/1/1996
M - Brenda & Toney Dixon
B - David Dixon

Geiger, Jacob
4/9/2003 - 4/9/2003
M - Darla Geiger
B - Jared Geiger
S - Brooke Geiger
GP - Kenneth & Barbara Dykes

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

Hamm, Rusty
4/23/1960 - 4/2/2004
P - Ramon & Rita Hamm
Spouse - Joy St. Martin
Daughter - Sydney Hamm

March Anniversaries cont'd

Jones, G. Randy
9/6/90 - 4/9/17
M - M. Cristina Jones
F - Charlie Jones
B - Brian Jones
GP - Jorge and Marie Rodriguez and
Gilbert Jones

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

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

Leyde, Darek
7/17/1967 - 4/23/2003
P - Vern & Julie Leyde
S - Traci Gainforth

Lloyd, Briana
12/12/96 - 4/17/15
P - Lucile & Ed Lloyd

Makowski, Anthony
5/20/1983 - 4/24/2005
M - Cathy Makowski

Muse, Jennifer Lee
08/07/71 - 04/04/92
M - Gretchen Muse
F - Robert Muse, Jr.
GP - Bob & Gladys Muse
GM - Dorothy Deisch

Nelson, Bella
2/4/2004 - 4/26/2010
GM - Cyndi Nelson

O'Connor, Ashley Lauren
4/12/1991 - 4/8/1996
M - Pamela Hite-Bocchino
B - John O'Connor
GM - Victoria Hite

Pegram, Baby Boy
4/1976 - 4/1976
P - Earl & Susan Pegram
S - Jodi & Robin Pegram
B - Scooter & Craig Pegram
GP - Betty Jennings

Rardin, Kelly Rose
04/17/1993 - 04/17/1993
M - Lori Rardin

Rhoda, Kevin
5/11/95 - 4/3/22
M - Sandy Rhoda

Shockey, Ann
11/08/56 - 04/26/70
P - Dick & Connie Shockey

Spellman, Xavier Lane
4/17/2006 - 4/17/2006
M - Veronica Lane

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

Thomas, Destiny Jean
10/1/1990 - 4/24/1998
F - Craig Thomas
B - Braxton and Justin
GP - Betty Thatcher and
Marty & Carol Thomas

Thornton, Jeremiah
8/29/84 - 4/13/01
M - Tim & Sue Thornton
B - Jason
S - Amanda

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

Valdez, Joseph Martin
6/3/1974 - 4/24/2007
M - Carolyn Aviles

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

Wallowicz, Michael (Mikey) Kevin
10/23/1981 - 4/28/1990
P - Jim & Judy Wallowicz
B - Jimi Wallowicz
GM - Josie Varselona

Webb, Eric Richard
7/1/1985 - 4/2/1999
P - William & Kathleen Webb
B - David Webb

Williams, Travis Aaron
9/11/1979 - 4/19/2000
P - Bill & Linda Williams
GP - Loretta Ayers, Raymond Ayers &
Edna Williams

Wynne, Adam Charles
10/13/1971 - 4/24/1993
P - Chuck & Gloria Judson
S - Lori Wynne
Father to Morgan Wynne

Young, Billy
7/14/2003 - 4/17/2006
P - Bill & Sandy Young

April Birthdays

Alvarez, Dean
4/28/1965 - 6/12/2000
M - Diana Stenglein
B - Nadie Alvarez
S - Athena & Lynette Alvarez

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

Buckley, Deja'
4/26/2001 - 4/26/2001
P - Lisa John & Wade Buckley

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

Ford, Kelli
4/20/88 - 11/10/16
M - Rose Ford

Geiger, Jacob
4/9/2003 - 4/9/2003
M - Darla Geiger
B - Jared Geiger
S - Brooke Geiger
GP - Kenneth & Barbara Dykes

Gladden, Renee' Rose
4/21/1961 - 11/17/1999
Sister - Diana Gladden

Gray, Finn
4/10/13 - 1/20/20
P - Christen and Jim Gray
B - Declan Gray

Hamm, Rusty
4/23/1960 - 4/2/2004
P - Ramon & Rita Hamm
Spouse - Joy St. Martin
Daughter - Sydney Hamm

Heath, Austin Noah
4/6/2000 - 7/4/2000
P - Isaac Heath & Regina Jacobs
GM - Gigi Schools

Hines, Heather
4/28/1975 - 11/25/1998
M - Sue Hines

Holdren, Scott
4/10/1986 - 5/31/2007
M - Donna Henry

Horst, Trey
4/16/1974 - 9/8/2000
P - Art & Linda Horst
B - Todd & Thad
S - Trisha & Tammy

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

L'Homme, Ryan
4/16/81 - 3/23/00
P - Charles & Teresa L'Homme
S - Courtney L'Homme

Littlechild, Will
4/6/1979 - 7/4/2008
M - Lula Richardson
S - Patricia Littlechild

Martinez, Joseph D.
4/23/1972 - 10/13/2007
M - Josie Martinez
S - Patty Camunas

Mohammed, Ian Roger
04/19/73 - 08/02/92
P - Judy & Rick Mohammed
S - Alison Mohammed
B - Cameron Mohammed

Mosquera, Brando J.
4/3/85 - 6/15/13
P - Yolanda ^ Ozzie Patino
S - Samantha-Rose Patino
GP - Rosa abd Ralph Lucerna

Nadir, Peter
4/6/1971 - 2/8/2003
M - Barbar Nadir
S - Sue McFowan

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2/4/2004 - 4/26/2010
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Noriega, Aiden
4/4/2001 - 6/18/2001
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4/7/1971 - 3/22/2005
P - Ray & LaRae Regis
GP - Bea Forbes

Roark, Kelli Colin
4/30/1990 - 8/30/1998
P - Joe & Angel Roark
B - Siobhan Castillo
S - Brayden Castillo

Romines, Makayla Gabrielle
4/3/96 - 8/27/15
M - Christy Jones

Rusnack, Tamara
4/6/1972 - 7/23/2004
M - Donna Johnson

Rutkowski, Eric John
4/11/1981 - 7/16/2003
P - Linda & Ron Rutkowski
GP - Ray & Doris Pomorski

Salas, David Jeremy
4/16/94 - 7/8/15
P - Sandy & Miguel

Sluder, Keith Joseph
4/25/1964 - 5/11/2006
P - Tom & Judy Sluder
Children - Keith II and Miranda
Grandaughters - Kali & Ella Mae
S - Theresa & Kathryn
B - Tom III
N/N - Israel, Brandon & Brandy

Spellman, Xavier Lane
4/17/2006 - 4/17/2006
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Todd, Joan
4/22/1960 - 3/12/2004
M - Mary McCord

Valrisco, Michael
4/7/99 - 9/17/15
P - Margaret & Peter Varisco

Watson, Jessica
4/18/05 - 12/3/18
F - Dan Watson
S - Kayla

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Father to Morgan Wynne

Young, Billy

7/14/2003 - 4/17/2006

P - Bill & Sandy Young



HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Dear Lisa,

Another year has
passed. We con-
tinue to love and
miss you as much
as ever.

Love,

Mom & Dad



Welcome

We are the parents whose children have died. We are the siblings whose brothers and sisters no longer walk with us through life. We are the grandparents who have buried grandchildren.

We come together as Bereaved Parents of the USA to provide a safe space where grieving families can connect, share our stories, and learn to rebuild our lives.

We attend meetings whenever we can and for as long as we find helpful. We share our fears, confusion, anger, guilt, frustrations, emptiness, and feelings of hopelessness, knowing these emotions will be met with compassion and understanding. As we support, comfort and encourage one another, we offer hope and healing. As we confront the deaths of our loved ones, our shared grief brings us to a common ground that transcends differences, building mutual understanding across the boundaries of culture, race, faith, values, abilities, and lifestyle.

Together we celebrate the lives of our children, siblings, and grandchildren, sharing the joys and the heartbreaks as well as the love that will never fade. Together, strengthened by the bonds we create, we offer what we have learned from one another to every bereaved family, no matter how recent or long ago the death.



I want to let new members know that if you want your child listed in the newsletter during their birth and anniversary months, I need to hear from you. I need their full name, dates of birth and death and names of parents or siblings or even grandparents you want listed. I will list missed children in the next newsletter.

I have added a few new ones without having heard from the parent(s). Therefore if the last name of the child is different from yours, I have made an error. I also have not had siblings or grandparents to add. I apologize, but figured it was better to include even if an error or omission occurs. Please get in touch with me if you want additional information listed or have any corrections.

Address Correction Requested

October-November 2013
POSTMASTER - Dated Material
Please do not delay.

The Bereaved Parents of the USA
P.O. Box 7034
Brandon, FL 33508

