



## Tampa Bay Chapter

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33508  
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### MEETING INFORMATION

#### **\*\*Regular Monthly SUNDAY Meeting**

(held the second Sunday of the month)  
Sunday November 8 and December 13, 2020  
St. Joseph's Hospital  
Medical Arts Building, Auditorium  
3001 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Tampa, FL  
Call Lori Scragg at 813-361-2946  
for directions or information.

#### **Regular Monthly DAYTIME Meeting**

Riverview/Gibson/Brandon areas  
(held the second Friday each month)  
Fridays, November 13 and December 11, 2020  
10:00 AM to Noon  
New Hope United Methodist Church  
121 N Knights Ave, Brandon, FL  
Call Debbie Nemitz at 813-501-9567  
for directions or information.

#### **Regular Monthly NIGHTTIME Meeting**

Riverview/Gibson/Brandon areas  
(held the last Thursday each month)  
Thursdays **November 19 and December 17, 2020**  
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM  
New Hope United Methodist Church  
213 N Knights Ave, Brandon, FL  
Call Charles L'Homme at 813-335-7628  
for directions or information.

**\*\*The meetings at St Joseph's are currently not being held. We will update the website and send out notices when we begin to meet again.**

**The Brandon daytime meetings will be held in rooms 3-4 of the Sanctuary Bldg (take right when coming in). The Brandon nighttime meetings will be held in the New Hope Life Center small conference room (on the other side of the parking lot).**

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

*Matthew Gallagher  
Stephen John Gregory,  
Scott Michael Hoyt,  
Robyn Michelle Nemitz*

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November 2020						

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December 2020						

The holiday season is upon us. Halloween is behind us, and Thanksgiving and December still ahead of us. Some of us find it difficult to go through the holidays without our children. That is one reason we have the Candle Lighting....to bring our children into the celebrations of the season. This year we will be having it virtually. Please see page 3.  
**Happy Holidays!**  
**Debbie**

# Chapter News

## Angel of Hope Information

[www.angelofhopetampabay.com](http://www.angelofhopetampabay.com)

Located at:

Riverside Park  
201 Riverhills Drive,

Temple Terrace

Mailing Address:

P. O. Box 2573, Lutz, FL 33548

813.784-6929



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## 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 & Wrecks) (813) 361-2946

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 an Only Child) (813) 340-9120

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

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:debbie.bpnews@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

# Virtual Candle Lighting 2020

## December 13, 2020

### 7:00 PM

This year we will be holding a virtual Candle Lighting due to Covid 19. At this point we haven't determined whether we will be using Zoom or another application. That information will follow.

At this point we just wanted to inform you of our plans. It is important that you register by the deadline of November 30<sup>th</sup>. If you want the same picture as last year, then you simply need to let us know you want to be a part of the ceremony. If you haven't provided a picture previously, then you must email a picture of your child along with their full name, birthdate and anniversary date to Debbie at [debbiebpnews@aol.com](mailto:debbiebpnews@aol.com).

As you know, Bereaved Parents is a nonprofit organization, and we depend on donations. Since we will not be able to meet in person and hold the raffle and poinsettia fund raisers, we would appreciate it if you would consider making a donation at this time. Please send any donations to:

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

We hope you will be able to join us for our virtual ceremony.

Hugs!

Debbie & Lori



## Robyn Michelle Nemitz

### 12/28/82 – 6/16/98



Dear Robyn,

We think of you everyday and still miss and love you so much. It's hard to believe that it has been 22 years since we saw your beautiful smile and got to embrace you. You are always in our hearts and minds.

Love,

Mom, Dad and John



## Our Children . . . Remembered

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

### November Birthdays

Bray, Debbie (Hurley) 11/14/1967 - 6/1/1990 M - Beverley (Bray) Hurley S - Kimberly Gonzalez	Garcia, Larry D. 11/8/1983 - 1/10/2007  M-Consuelo Rios	Loadholtz, Glenn Edward 11/25/1969 - 2/15/2005 P-George & Jackie Loadholtz S-Gwen Walkowiak	Russell, Melody 11/25/1985 - 11/25/1985 M-Karron Russell GP - Ben & Sue Bowditch S/B - Brytani and Derak Aunts Aunts- Catherine and Roben
Buzbee-Reeves, Devon Michael 11/16/1994 - 11/19/1994 M - Celeste Buzbee F - Mike Reeves B-Tristan Alan Buz- bee-Reeves	Gregory, Stephen John 11/4/62 -9/1/16 P - DeLores and John Durn (stepfather) B - Mike Gregory S - Pam Gregory	McDonald, Brooke 11/8/1990-10/4/2008 P-Mitch & Barbara McDonald	     Schantz, Jamie 11/3/1972-10/26/2003 P- Joan Schank
Celestey, Shaun 11/16/1980-1/3/1980 P-Vick & Paula Celestey	Hadley, Katrina 11/17/1961 - 2/4/2006 M-Grace Therman	Mentor, Kenric 11/26/87 - 7/2/97 M - Jackie Mentor	Scheurich, Annabelle 11/1/2013 - 11/1/2013 M - Kate Scheurich
Colla, Aaron Dante 11/15/01 - 05/24/02 P-Amanda Colla GP-Jana & Frank Colla A-Danielle B-Dylan	Harless, Jessica Nicole 11/15/1988 - 5/10/2000 M - Heather Harless	Milam, Perry Edward 11/4/1974 - 10/1/1994 M-Nancy Milam S-Suzanne Milam Clark	Shockey, Ann 11/08/56 - 04/26/70 P - Dick & Connie Shockey
Decosta, Brittany 11/19/87 - 04/07/91 M - Kay Decosta	Hinchey, Ronald 11/17/1974 - 12/10/1999 P - Ronald & Donna Hinchey S - Tracy Foster	Miulli, Matthew Michael 11/27/1987-1/19/2005 P-Jim & Kathy Miulli GP-Rudy Prehnal and Mike & Sue Miulli	Titer, Kenric 11/26/1985 - 7/2/1997 M - Jackie Mentor
Dietrich, Jamie Rachel 11/20/1977 - 11/17/2004 P-Tommy & Barbara Dietrich	Jacobson, Nathan 11/9/1994-2/16/2008/ P-Amy & Pete Jacobson	Nichols, Melissa 11/9/1982 - 9/4/2002 M-Terrena Nichols F-Shannon Nichols S-Brandy Nichols B-Shannon Nichols, Jr.	Toler, Jeremiah 11/8/1985 - 11/18/2013 M - Tracy Toler
Dixon Jr., Anthony Howard 11/27/1978 - 4/1/1996 M - Brenda & Toney Dixon B - David Dixon	Kelly, Amanda Jean 11/15/1986 - 7/7/1987 P-John & Brenda Kelly S-Matthew & Ryan GP-John Keller & Elizabeth Kelly	Pike, Taylor K. 11/9/1985-5/14/2007 P-Bob & Connie Pike S-Megan Pike	Torres, Angel Luv 11/19/1982 - 11/2/1994 P-Aida & Angel Torres B-Nicolas Torres GP-Pola Lesprier
Dominguez Mario 11/1/1987/ M-Sonia Dominguez	Kettlety, Daniel S. 11/7/1978 - 11/10/1997 P-Wayne & Sherry Kettlety	Rivera, Damian Elijah 11/19/2001 - 01/10/2002 M-Nicole Rivera	Troxell, Dakota 11/28/88 - 1/19/18 M - Beth Troxell
Douglas, Christopher 11/4/1977 - 12/22/1997 M - Laren & Michael S - Stacy & Leigh B - Clinton	Lagana, Joseph 11/6/92 - 7/8/18 P - Veronica & Rocco Lagana	Robles-Greene, Brodie Shane 11/15/1996 - 11/29/1996 M - Denise Robles F - Ronnie Greene B - Shane	Walker, Nick 11/12/1983 - 1/11/2001 M - Denise Walker GM - Shirley Walker
Finucane-Terlop, Peter 11/23/1997 - 9/1/2017 M - Cindy Finucane	Lind, Joshua Richard 11/9/1983 - 11/14/1999 F - Richard Lind	Rosas, Ricardo 11/4/1991 - 8/12/2013 M - Leticia Rosas S - Alejandra B- David and Daniel	Wheeler, Clifford Denmark 11/1/1979 - 1 /18/1996 M-Donna Wheeler B-John, James & Duane GP-Lynn & Marcel Baker



### November Anniversaries

Arnold, Ryan 9/1/1988-11/28/2007 P-Ron & Marcia Arnold B-Jason & Matt GP-Charlie & Kathy Arnold, and Allan & Florence Knopf	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	Baker, Holly K. 02/11/84 - 11/15/96 M - Evonne M. Baker  Justin, Chris 10/3/1989-11/6/2007 P-Chris Black	Bridgmon, Matt 2/11/1978-11/4/2006 M-Jean Bridgmon  Butler, Mark Anthony 7/7/1977 - 11/24/2001 P-Ray & Chris Butler GM-Alice Butler
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## November Anniversaries cont'd

Buzbee-Reeves, Devon Michael 11/16/1994 - 11/19/1994 M - Celeste Buzbee F - Mike Reeves B-Tristan Alan Buzbee-Reeves	Ford, Kelli 4/21/88 - 11/10/16 M - Rose Ford	Kettlety, Daniel S. 11/7/1978 - 11/10/1997 P-Wayne & Sherry Kettlety	Moore, Vanessa 9/3/1980-11/11/2005 M-Pat Moore
Chartier, Eric 9/3/1978-11/2007 P-Linda Chartier & Joe Phillips	Gladen, Renee' Rose 4/21/1961-11/17/1999 S-Diana Gaden	Jakabowski, Jerome (Jerry) 2/9/1971-11/5/2009 M-Marsha Schemela B-Jason Jakabowski	Robles-Greene, Brodie Shane 11/15/1996 - 11/29/1996 M- Denise Robles F-Ronnie Greene S - Shane
Chilson, Candice 10/24/83 - 11/10/01 M - Wendy Chilson	Gray, Jay 09/07/70 - 11/09/01 M - Dee Gray	Lind, Joshua Richard 11/9/1983 - 11/14/1999 F - Richard Lind	Rogers, Dayna Andrew 3/12/1973 - 11/27/1994 M - Linda Heatherly S - Misty Walker & Amber Roger
Clark, Emily 2/28/89 - 11/9/19 M - Sarah Clark	Harrigan, Kimaura 12/04/1995-11/1/2008 M-Kichma Nieves	McCoy, Sean Patrick 3/17/06 - 11/23/13 P - David & Siobhan McCoy B- Michael McCoy	Ruiz, Marcus Nelson 12/29/1996 - 11/12/2000 P - Aleida & Nelson Ruiz S - Illana
Dietrich, Jamie Rachel 11/20/1977 - 11/17/2004 P-Tommy & Barbara Dietrich	Hines, Heather 4/28/1975 - 11/25/1998 M - Sue Hines	McKaghan, Michael 5/19/1989-11/3/2000 P-Darlene & Michael Lack Sibs-Andrew McKaghan & Lauren Lack	
	Horne, Kaitlyn 12/9/94 - 11/2/14 P - Katherine & John Horne		



## December Birthdays

Baker, Jennifer 12/13/1973 - 10/15/1995 P-Terry & Susan Baker	Lloyd, Briana 12/12/96 - 4/17/15 P - Lucile and Ed Lloyd	Pitts, Joseph David 12/8/1971 - 7/16/1998 P - Ruth & Richard Pitts	Sasnett, Debbie Powell 12/14/1956 - 03/31/2000 P-Jackie & Billy Powell B-Debbie & Tony S-Penny
Barnes Hannah D. M. 12/28/94 - 12/28/94 P - Alfred & Sabrina Barnes	Lovett, Sandra Sandy 12/3/1968 - 10/4/1997 M - Barbara Bryant	Presley, Tristan 12/1/2010 - 8/2/2011 M - Brittany Presley	Thomas, Carol 12/16/1955-2/16/2003 M-Betty Thatcher Sibs-Deb Waldfoge, Ellen Williams, on Fran Thatcher & Gerri Hust
Flynn, Philip 12/17/1977-8/8/2002 M-Roseanne Flynn	Martin, Amanda Louise 12/31/1971-6/19/2008 M- Toni Martin	Price, Karissa Danielle 6/19/90 - 12/8/12 P - Karen and Dan Price S - Kaleigh GP - Eleanor Arnold and Jerry and Kathie Sealock	Waller, Lauren Marie 12/12/1990 - 4/16/2000 M - Kristine Colding & Bryan Strahan B-Christopher S-Faith GP-Joyce & Gene Waller
Gonzalez, Miriam 12/10/1948 - 7/26/1995 P-Fernando & Paula Lespierre S-Maria , Aida & George	Montagano, Anthony J. "Tony" 12/02/91 - 01/02/01 P-Luli and Jim Montagano S-Alessandra Montagano GP-Henry and Eloisa Valenzuela	Robertson, Kristi Lee 12/15/1969 - 7/29/1994 M - Janice & Joe Robertson S - Kathy Sanchez & Karen Demeria GM-Mildred Trigg	Williams, Paul X. 12/2/1986-12/24/2005 P-Amber & Tracy MacDonald Sibs-Molly & Daniel Williams GP-John & Rosemarie Binder
Hidalgo, Christopher 12/14/1989 - 7/5/2004 M-Tammy Hidalgo	Murphy, Mark Lawrence 12/22/1968 - 2/21/2000 M - Rosalie Baum B - John Murphy	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	
Horne, Kaitlin 12/9/94 - 11/2/14 P - Katherine & John Horne	Nemitz, Robyn Michelle 12/28/82 - 06/16/98 P - Debbie & Bill Nemitz B - John Nemitz GP - Laura Nemitz	Ruiz, Marcus Nelson 12/29/1996 - 11/12/2000 P - Aleida & Nelson Ruiz S - Illana	
Horton, Ryan 12/21/1980 - 1/23/2005 M-Sue Horton	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	Saint Jaques, Myriam 12/4/80 - M - Ollant Saint Jaques	
Libby, Josalin Katherine "Josie" 12/20/11 - 1/30/12 M- Katelin Abney F- Joseph Libby S - Sebric Aronson	Peck, Trent 12/5/69 - 8/27/13 P - Bob & Sally Hoffman F - Frank Peck		
Lingefelt, Fiona 12/20/1989 - 10/15/2000 P - Karen & Douglas Lingefelt B-Alexander & Andrew			



## December Anniversaries

Antinora, Joseph A. 8/18/1967-12/9/2006 M-Susan Antinora S-Tina Baxter GF-Jos. Harnishfeger	Donnarumma, Sophia Marie 9/1/2000 - 12/23/2004 P-Benjamin & Diane S-Olivia GM-Pat Donnarumma	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	Stolley, Allison 5/5/82 - 12/12/14 P - Robin & Dan Stolley
Bailey, Destiny Taylor 1/7/1999 - 12/26/14 M- Stacey Bravick B- William S - Lena & Amber	Douglas, Christopher 11/4/1977 - 12/22/1997 M - Laren & Michael S - Stacy & Leigh B - Clinton	Parnell, Jordan 6/6/85 - 12/23/17 M - Polly Parnell	Thompson, Kimberly Karlin 5/5/1976 - 12/6/1999 P - Sam & Ingrid Thompson
Barnes Hannah D. M. 12/28/94 - 12/28/94 P - Alfred & Sabrina Barnes	Durr, Jacob Nathaniel 7/16/1982-12/14/2009 M-Karen Durr S-Danielle Roberts GP-Samuel & Margaret Minton	Pegram, Robin Sue 03/13/73 - 12/05/93 P - Earl & Susan Pegram S - Jodi Pegram B - Scooter & Craig Pegram	Troxell, Jacquelyn 6/11/85 - 12/2/16 M - Beth Troxell
Bishop, Krystal Lee 8/1/1988 - 12/24/2001 P-Pam & Rick Bishop S-Angie Valente & Missy Bishop B-Greg Bishop GM-Marilyn Eddy	Ellis, Douglas William 01/09/62 - 12/17/83 M - Alicia Ellis West B-Harry Jr. & Edward Ellis	Price, Karissa Danielle 6/19/90 - 12/8/12 P - Karen and Dan Price S - Kaleigh GP - Eleanor Arnold and Jerry and Kathie Sealock	Watson, Jessica 4/18/05 - 12/3/18 F -Dan Watson S - Kayla B - James
Bliss, Lindsay Rebecca 4/26/1977 - 12/1/1991 P - Jim & Mary Beth Bliss S - Shannon Bliss	Gallagher, Matthew 8/18/92 - 12/12/11 P- Kelly & Jim Gallagher B-Tim	Ramirez, Arthur, Jr. 6/10/1951 - 12/30/1997 M-Helen Ramirez	Weber, Barbara Jean 6/4/1953 - 12/14/1994 P - Weldon & Jean Weber S - Kristi, Teresa, & Pamela
Booker, Michelle Elizabeth 3/25/1987 - 12/1/2004 P-Michael & Bonnie Booker B-Justine & Dillon Booker GP-Betty Nichols and Ed & Janice Falcon	Hinchey, Ronald 11/17/1974 - 12/10/1999 P - Ronald & Donna Hinchey S - Tracy Foster	Sampson, "Little One" 11/15/99 to 11/15/99 P - Brad and Cindy Sampson	Williams, Paul X. 12/2/1986-12/24/2005 P-Amber & Tracy MacDonald Sibs-Molly & Daniel Williams GP-John & Rosemarie Binder
Cintron, Bella 2/5/13 - 12/8/18 P - Manuel & Angela Cintron S - Rotsen, Dawson, Jackson, Nahiomy & Christopher	Knight, Matthew A. 9/1/1982 - 12/28/2001 P-Ron & Sandy Knight GM-Jack & Mary Griffin & Doris I. Knight	Schlechty, Michael 2/5/59 - 12/4/01 P - Nancy & Vernon Schlechty Children - Michael Leann & Morgan Lynn B - Mark S - Amy	Woofter, Kimberly Ann.."Kimie" 2/24/1970 - 12/25/2006 P-Julie & Steve Woofter Children -Michael & Dystin Sibs-Angela Huntley & Donny
Daly, Cole 9/9/1983 - 12/17/2001 M-Katie Brock	Lane, Catherine Novak 6/8/1967 - 12/13/2008 M- Christina Daws B- Michael, John & Richard Lane	Shearer, Shane 08/03/73 - 12/05/89 M - Linda Shearer SF - Keith Gregory S - January Shearer	Zorn, Wayne 7/15/1964 - 12/30/2006 M-Charlotte Zorn
Darby, Marc Steven 3/25/1986 - 12/12/1998 P - Steve & Lori Darby S - Cody, Austin, Benjamin GP - John & Linda Darby	Lespinasse, Bryan 3/8/1991 - 12/27/2004 M-Margarett Lespinasse		
	Mira, Anita 10/22/1992 - 12/4/2010 M - Patricia Mira		



**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.**

# Stephen John Gregory

11/4/1962 - 9/1/2016



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY STEVE

You always made our birthdays so fun and bright. Your smile was contagious and heart so loving. We miss you!

You could not be loved more, now and forever.

Pam, Mike, Mom and John



**'Go Hoosiers!'**







## Scott Michael Hoyt 10/27/75-11/16/18

### What were you Thinking?

Since you left us, it's been two years.  
Yet I still cry and have plenty of tears.

What was going through your mind as you drew your last breath?  
Did you have ANY idea you were going to die?

Was anyone with you as your body fell on your bathroom floor?  
Did you realize your body was blocking the door?

You were in such a good mood your final day.  
Did you suspect your drugs were tainted and with your life you  
would pay?

You were such an intelligent and gifted boy.  
You loved animals and children and were so full of joy.

Did you meet your siblings that never made it to Earth?  
Or your other parents that gave you your birth?

I guess I will never know the answers until we meet again.  
When I get to Heaven to join you and all our kin.

*by Kathy Kelliher*



### Scott's Heavenly Birthday

I wish you my son, a very Happy Heavenly  
Birthday.  
Are you bowling with Grandma, riding  
bikes with Grandpa,  
Playing poker with your dad or is it Mo-  
nopoly you're going to play?  
Did anyone bake you a high-rise cake  
Or Aunt Annie's Angel Food did she  
make?

Why didn't I know your last birthday was  
the end?  
God took you to Heaven and those 43  
years were just a lend.  
My childless life without you will never be  
the same.  
I try not to cry whenever I hear your name.  
I learned in Grief Share God took you as  
your days were over.  
He gave you to me for 43 years which I  
hold dear.

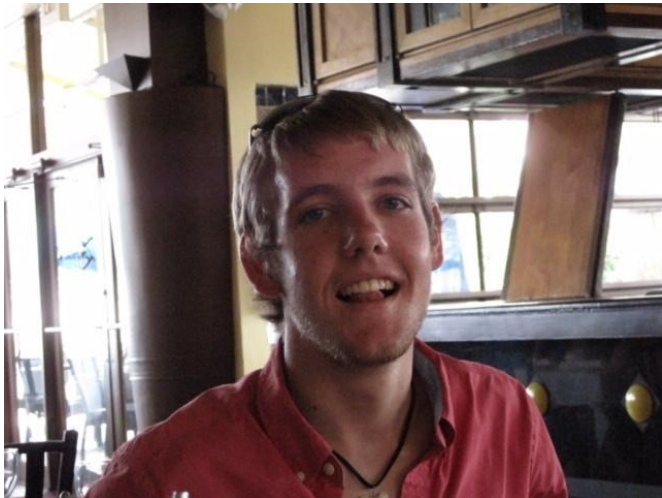
The main thing that keeps me going on  
Is knowing your demons are finally gone.  
You'll always be with me in my heart  
Until the day we meet again  
From this world I shall depart.

*by Kathy Kelliher*



# Matthew Gallagher

8/12/92 to 12/12/11



**Missing and Sending You Our Love on Your  
9th "Angel" Birthday!**

**Mom, Dad, Tim and  
All Your Family and Friends**



**On Sunday October 4, 2020, many of us attended our 7th Annual Butterfly Release. It was held as usual at the Angel of Hope Memorial Park for our children. Thankfully the rain held out, and we were able to enjoy the release. We had received a varied selection of butterflies. This time many were not anxious to fly off, so we were able to show them off and really enjoy them. Wes, who does the Candle Lighting was there and took some pictures of us. Below you will find a few.**







## Merry Christmas from Heaven

I still hear the songs  
I still see the lights  
I still feel your love  
On cold winter nights.

I still share your hopes  
and all of your cares  
I'll even remind you  
to please say your prayers.

I just want to tell you  
you still make me proud  
You stand head and shoulders  
above all the crowd.

Keep trying each moment  
to stay in his grace  
I come here before you  
to help set your place.

You don't have to be  
perfect all the time  
he forgives you the slip  
if you continue to climb.

To my family and friends  
please be thankful today  
I'm still close beside you  
in a new special way.

I love you all dearly  
now don't shed a tear  
cause I'm spending my  
Christmas with Jesus this year

*By John Mooney*

*Don't cry for me,  
I'm not gone.  
My soul is at rest,  
my heart lives on.  
Light a candle  
for me to see  
and hold on to  
my memory;  
but save your tears  
for I'm still here,  
by your side  
through the years.*

*Christy Ann Martine*

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Do you know how hard it is to  
hold my tears inside?  
I have lost someone very special  
to me and it's hard for me each  
and every day, but especially  
hard during the holidays. I may  
look strong, but I am fighting daily  
to be this way. Please have  
patience with me... I will never be  
the same person that I was, but I  
am trying to be the best that I can  
right now.

*Flr/My Special Angel: For Loved Ones Lost*

## 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](mailto: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.**

<http://www.bpusatampabay.com/>

## We are happy to present our newest fund raiser **Rosemary's Angels**

We sold these at the Candle Lighting. We still have some and will take orders if we sell out.



This angel is about 2 inches tall with a wing span of 1 ½ inches. It is all silver except for the pearl head and gold halo.

Can be purchased with bail, pin, or visor clip.

Cost \$15.00



The Christmas ornament is molded and plated. A ribbon is put through the hole at top of the angel (bail) so it can be hung on the tree. I added the butterfly because of your organization symbol. This ornament is about 3 inches tall, wing span about 2 1/4 , all silver except for the gold butterfly and halo. The ornament is heavier than the angel pins. Also a name can be engraved on the back of the angel ornament.

Cost \$20.00



This ornament is 2 1/2 inches high. We have ordered them in blue as shown, but also in pink and silver.

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# 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.



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