



THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

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Supporting Family After a Child Dies

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Our meetings take place at the Regina M. McGinn, MD Center, which is located between the Emergency Room and the main building on the second floor. The address is 475 Seaview Avenue SI, NY. The meeting takes place at 7:30 PM on the second and fourth Thursday of the month.

TCF MISSION STATEMENT

When a child dies, at any age, the family suffers intense pain and may feel hopeless and isolated. The Compassionate Friends provides highly personal comfort, hope, and support to every family experiencing the death of a son or a daughter, a brother or a sister, or a grandchild, and helps others better assist the grieving family.

***Meeting Dates* June 13th, and 27th, 2019**

SIBLING CORNER

NATIONAL COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS OFFICE see above

- You'll notice links throughout the website to our Facebook Page. We hope you will join and thus have the opportunity to interact with other siblings, as well as parents and grandparents who "get" what you're going through.
- Please join our [Sounds of the Siblings](#) closed Facebook group to interact with other siblings. Contact Keith Singer of Staten Island TCF

**Get well wishes go to Trudy Loeffler. We wish her a speedy recovery.
Thanks to Toni for her kind words to Nicky Chieco.**

Chapter corner

Visit our website at www.sitcf.com

**We welcome our newly bereaved friends.
We are sorry for the cause that brings you. We
know how devastated you are. In order to get full benefit of our meetings, it
will be necessary to attend at least three meetings. We offer you
unconditional love and under-
standing as we share with you our love for our children.**

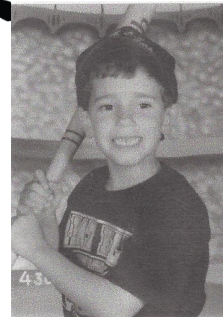
WELCOME

NEW MEMEBRS:

**Benjamin Navarrete
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Benny 9/22 1/29 (48)**

WELCOME

**In Loving memory of
Markie Price
June 19th**



Telephone Friends

**The people listed as tele-
phone friends are there
because they are bereaved
parents and siblings who
have had been bereaved
for a while and therefore
they have the ability to
“hear” your pain. These
friends are there to listen.
Don’t hesitate to call
when you need to. They
are our compassionate
friends.**



Keith Singer	718.227.1207 sibling
Cookie Parisi	718.317.0793 sudden death
Michele Muro	718.227.6516 car accident
Virginia Chieco	718.948.8127 suicide
Carol Bell	917.642.6243 only child
Richard Pierce	908.653.1994 young child
Fran Zogby	718.317.0647 multiple children
Candace Crupi	718.288.4324 addiction

The newsletter cannot exist without contributions from TCF members. Please send articles, poems, etc. in order to make it yours.

Email to: VWendroff@aol.com



Love Gifts



2007-10-20



In lving Memory of
PATTY BONSIGNORE

June 18, 2003

“Death leaves a heartache
no one can heal. Love
leaves a memory no one
can steal.”

With love,
Mom (Anita Sparano)

2007-10-20

In Loving memory of

Lauren Michelle Wendroff

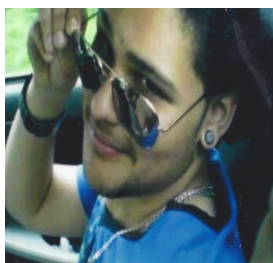
Jan.24– June 29

LOVED AND REMEMBERED

*NOTE: Any article that you want to be published during the month of a birthday or anni-versary MUST be place in the month prior to publication.
The newsletter will be sent for printing on the 20th of each month.*



David Wolpoff



Michael Medina



Thomas Libonati,



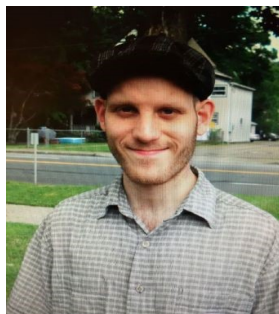
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Freddie D'Amico



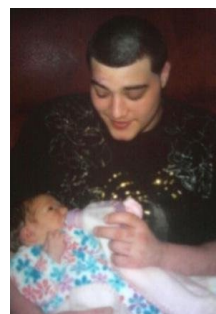
Blakely Russell



Daniel Klein (Cohen)



Danielle Ricco



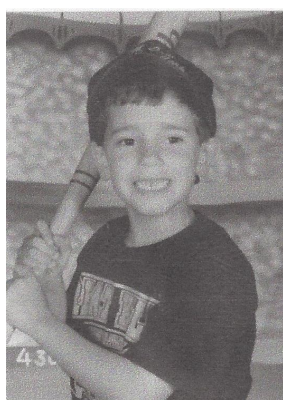
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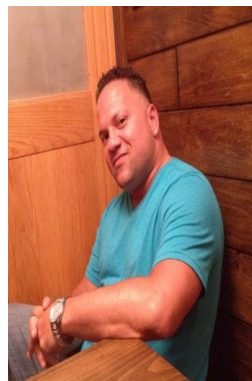
Justin Berg



Patty Bonsignore



Mark Price

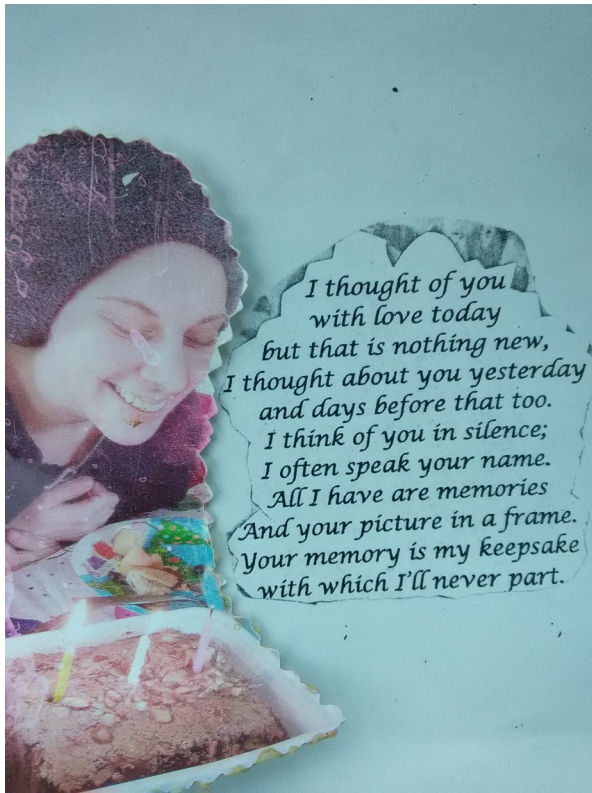


Frankie Kalan-



Lauren Wendroff

We regret to announce the death of **Katina White**,
the beloved daughter of
Camille and Hugh White, and the sister of **Hugh White, Jr..**
We send the White family our love and condolence.
May Tina's and Junior's memory
serve them as a source of love and peace.



**To my beautiful Emily Elizabeth love
momma dukes and Christopher**

Just Thinking!!!! 4-25-2019

Many days when the sun rises,
I wake up with good intentions.
TO accomplish tasks that I set for myself.
But to no avail, nothing is done.
I am suspended in space.
My thoughts are overwhelming.
In a mere blink of an eyes, my world changed.
It's been a year and 4 months since I lost my son
Michael.
I am always attempting to control my thoughts.
The reality for us is that we are now missing a link.
Every holiday is a new scenario.
Every time I pass the cemetery where my son is
buried, I get a pang in my stomach.
It reminds me of how raw and fresh the void really
is.
Many memories are floating in my head.
I try to hide the pain and the anguish.
The pain in the heart is always there.
Oh, how I miss my son Michael.
In loving thoughts- Tanya and Sam

Where Do I Begin?

Spring is here, the flowers are blooming.
He weather is getting warmer.
I am cold and freezing. I am back to square one.
I have a hard time finding the joy in life.
I am falling back with my emotional grief.
The tears like a fountain come every day.
The happiness within is eluding me.
My thoughts don't let me sleep.
My emotions keep me hostage.
It's hard to move on.
I want my old life back.
Every scene evokes memories.
The dark cloud of despair paralyzes me.
I have not learned to live with the loss of my son.
The span of time did not make it easier.
The guilty feeling does not let the sun come
through.
I am the mother, why did I not see the signs????
I am coming to the end of my life, which is sup-
posed to be carefree and joyful.
Instead, my heart bleeds with tears of pain.
My son Michael touched our life in a profound
way. We miss him dearly.
With loving thoughts of Michael
Tanya and Sam

Mourning Meditation

When I die, give what's left of me away
To children and old men that wait to die.
If you need to cry, cry for your brother
Walking the street beside you.
When you need me,
Put your arm around anyone.
Give them what you need to give me.
I want to leave you something,
Something better than words or sounds.
Look for me in the people I've known or loved.
If you cannot give me away,
At least let me live in your eyes and not on your mind.
You can love me most by letting hands touch
hands,
By letting go of children that need to be free.
Love doesn't die, people do.
So, when all that's left of me is love,
Give me away.

My precious Frankie,

June 27th will be 5 years since I last saw your shining smile, smelled your cologne or heard the roaring of your laughter. That Friday in 2014 keeps playing over and over in my brain like a bad movie. It's totally a never ending nightmare. If you do actually see what I am doing down here, I hope you know that you'll never be forgotten. As long as I am living, I will carry you with me. You remain safely tucked in my Heart, keeping your light to shine. I try to believe that you walk with me, upon this path I tread. Until one day, I will join you for all eternity. There will never be another FK. My Son, my BFF, my Life. You are my everything, always and forever we remain me and you against the world!
Love your #1 Fan *Your Mama*



A MOTHER'S GRIEF

by Patty Pannell 3-17-17 (In Memory of My Daughter, Chris Schuval)

A mother's grief is the deepest kind,

Of a broken heart that you'll ever find.

I sit alone... I cry.... I grieve

Over my child, who's now bereaved. A loss so deep, it pierces my heart

Knowing forever we'll be apart.

It seems that only yesterday

You were here with me in a special way We talked, we laughed and traveled afar Life once so good, was now bizarre.

I awake each day, like I did before

The only difference is, we share no more. No visits, no calls, nor texts or love .

Not one more chance for kisses or hugs.

A mother's heart cannot understand

Why her child is gone, so she must demand... "What is this burden

I must carry

Forever more with my soul so weary!?"

Every day is filled with waves of crying

Overwhelmed with sadness, but I must keep trying. To keep myself from thinking too much

Of the pain and heartache that's become my crutch.

So on I go with a heavy heart

Hiding it daily like an acting part. Making sure I show the world outside how strong I am and that I'll survive.

I push down the waves as much as I can

Like turning an on and off switch of a fan.

Yes, I've learned to control these emotions so well ,But when no one's around, I let go and they swell. My heart will never fully heal. It now has a hole that I'll always feel. The pain, the hurt, the child I lost

Comes at a terrible, horrible cost.

So prayer I must to God above

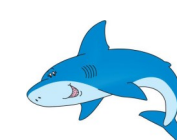
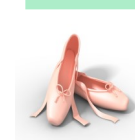
That he can hold me up with love

And lift my spirits every day

To survive my loss and to find my way.

Last Name	First Name	Birthday	Anni-versary
Anderson	Malik James	6/1	
Scaletta	Michael	6/4	
Alverson	Eric Ryan	6/7	
Fantauzzi	Gina Marie	6/7	
Epstein	Melissa	7/7	
Williams (Muldrow)	Elyse	6/8	
Libonati	Thomas	6/10	
Hurley (Melnick)	John	6/11	
Wolpoff	David	6/12	
Medina (Ortiz)	Michael	6/12	
Scotto	Jared	6/19	
Marcus	Bryan	6/21	
Pierro	Jason	6/21	
Riley (Bianchini)	Cierra	6/22	
Newman	Heather	6/22	
Gutterman (Sibling)	Mark	6/24	
Stiskin	Judy	6/25	
Gorayeb	Christine	6/26	
Trueson	Mario	6/26	
Ferrante	Vincent	6/27	
McCarthy	Stephen	6/28	
Hanger	Anna	6/29	
Mondella	Ralph	6/29	
Angelina	Richard		6/2
D'Amico	Freddie		6/3
Grossman	Martin		6/6
Cahill ,III	Eddie		6/7
Russell	Blakely		6/9
Anastasiau	Freddy		6/9
Ricco	Danielle		6/11
Darku	Julian C.		6/11
Kubiak	Christopher Ryan		6/12
Lamattina (Nicosia)	Michael		6/15
Carey	Suzanne		6/16
Berg	Justin		6/17
Bonsignore (Sparano)	Patricia		6/18
Lauer	Steven		6/18
Price	Mark		6/19
Mendez (Pontecorvo)	Mario Guy		6/22
Lenihan	Keith Patrick		6/22
Flack	John		6/25
Perri	John		6/25
Fuschetto	Carl		6/26
Kalansky	Frank		6/27
Dressler	John		6/28
Favors	Aniya Christina		6/28
Wendroff	Lauren		6/29
McGlynn	Coleen		6/30
Porcello sib	Joe		6/30

OUR CHILDREN



June 2019

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