

## THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

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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 May 14th and 28th 2020 Because of the health situation, things may change. You will be notified of possible changes.

# 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 <u>Sounds of the Siblings</u> closed Facebook group to interact with other siblings. Contact Keith Singer of Staten Island TCF



#### 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 understanding as we share with you our love for our children.



## **NEW MEMEBRS:**

Lucille Trapani

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John 5/5 1/4



In Loving Memory of Vincent Chiara May 25th

**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 your Compassionate Friends



Keith Singer Cookie Parisi Michele Muro Virginia Chieco Carol Bell Richard Pierce Fran Zogby 718.227.1207 sibling 718.317.0793 sudden death 718.227.6516 car accident 718.948.8127 suicide 718.917.0633 only child 908.653.1994 young child 718.317.0647 multiple children





Steven Economos



Robert Hagerman, Jr.



Emily Foote (Rende)



Ira Epstein



Deanna Magrone



Carolyn Baer



Stephanie Hare



Eddie Ernst



Edward Cortes



Megan Vinci (Donovan)



Katina Alisha White



Chris Cagiano



Amanda Lynn Nixon



Gerald Asuncion





Anthony Pastoressa, Jr.



Joseph Murphy



Arielle Newman



Christina Datello



Justine Berg



Vinny Chiara



Desi Perez



Samira Nukho



l still miss you As the pain of grief softens nd new memorie are made I still miss you As I smile and laugh I still miss you day and everyda prever and ever

#### **Missing You**

Kristen Erica Sanchez Born: April 25, 1991

You will always be the sizzling spark of our lives! Missing you every moment of every day:

moment of every day; Loving you with every part of my soul. Praying you are forever at peace.



We are experiencing the Corona virus which is deadly for sure There are not enough hospital personnel or even a cure

This virus is spreading like wild fire in each and every state We have never been through this before and don't know our fate

But we went through the most painful loss when our children died

And we could fill an ocean with the tears that we have cried

In April nineteen sixty-nine my son passed away in his crib Scott was wearing his blue pajamas and had a bottle and his bib

In May of nineteen ninety-two my son Joey passed away Twenty-eight years ago but the heartache is here to stay

I feel so sorry for anyone that has to bury their child The missing is so horrific - other things seem so mild

I pray for those in hospital beds and for the doctors and nurses as well

Because they are on the front lines of a battle that has begun to swell

God help us all around the globe - my prayers I offer you And especially those who lost a loved one or maybe a few

It has always been difficult during the months of April and May

When both my son's anniversary of death is always in the way

We try to do our best each day and maybe a chore or two But my mind relives all of the long ago memories of both of you

I know someday I'll see Joey and Scott in the Heavens above We miss you both so very much and send our everlasting love

Love, Mom

Ann Garofalo April/May 2020



Love you Gazillion Infinity, Mama & Mely

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In memory of NAZY AY



My dear"sweet face" Katina,

I can't believe you are gone a year now. How can it be?.... I'm still breathing,still walking,still talking.. going ON... I am going through the motions but I feel like I'm in a fog and moving in slow motion. Waiting to wake up.

I walk through the days with blurred eyes and a heavy heart. Heavy because I carry you and you precious brother there.

Sometimes the weight is so heavy I can't breathe.

The fact that you're no longer here will always cause me pain but knowing we will be together again gives me something to hope for.

You are forever loved, forever missed. Never forgotten. *In Loving Memory* 

Your Mom and Dad





Katina Alisha White

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### Steven Economos' 30th Birthday.

Happy birthday to my beautiful son in heaven. You would be 30 years old already. It will be 12 years that you're gone. We miss you so much. I cannot believe that so many years have gone by without me seeing you and watching you grow into a mature adult. I pray that you are happy and watching all of us. Till we meet again my baby boy, I love you.



## **TO: STEPHEN VENTIMIGLIA**

Happy 47th Birthday in Heaven. We celebrate silently. Always in our memory and heart.

> Love and Kisses, Mom, Dad, and Brother



How Do You Feel?

Death rips one's soul, and leaves lasting devastation in its path.

Your memories can embrace you, but when the thought dissipates, the empty space reappears. The emptiness, the broken heart, the broken link of life can't be repaired.

The hollow space can't be filled, your thoughts become your second shadow.

You open your eyes in the morning, and the heaviness of the situation is still there.

There is a time for everything in life, but when there is death, it never stops.

I am vulnerable, lonely, and sad. I am angry and crying.

I don't think life is fair.

I conceal my emotions, and when you look at me and see me smile, you may think everything is fine, and I am over it. But, I am

coping the best I can

A pure soul went to heaven.

Another day in the paradise called life.

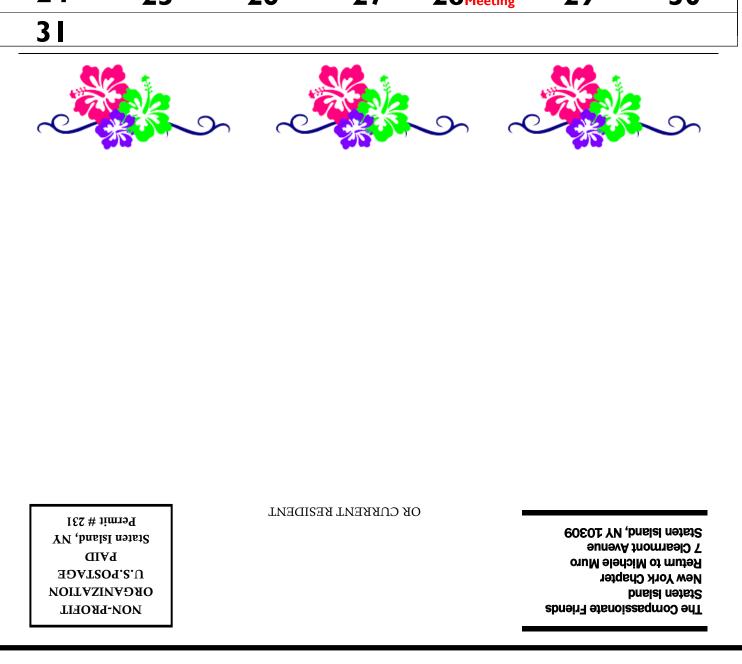
With a heavy heart.

Tanya Zajc- in memory of my son Michael

Economos	Steven	5/1	
Hagerman	Robert, Jr.	5/2	
Depregola	Joseph	5/2	
Cagiano	Chris	5/2	
Foote (Rende)	Emily Elizabeth	5/3	
Malucelli	Michael	5/4	
Boutsikakis	John L	5/5	
Milea	John	5/5	
Anderson	Jaymee	5/1	
Epstein	Ira	5/7	
Baer	Carolyn	5/11	
Hare	Stephanie	5/11	
Ay	Nazif	5/13	
Cortes	Edward	5/14	
Altieri	Jason	5/15	
Badiran Kemeny	Joshua	5/16 5/16	
Nixon	Amanda Lynn	5/16	
Maffia	Louis		
Asuncion	Gerald	5/17	
Donovan	Megan	5/18	
DeMott	Sara	5/18	
Rogers	John	5/20	
Capuano	Debbie	5/21	
Mikalsen	Jodi	5/22	
Ferraro	Joseph	5/22	
Pastoressa	Anthony, Jr.	5/22	
Mendez (Pontecorvo)	Mario Guy	5/24	
Pantano	James	5/24	
Feltus	Jordan	5/26	
Murphy	Joseph	5/26	
Ernst	Eddie	5/27	
Newman	Arielle	5/27	
Errichiello	Gerald	5/29	
Tropiano	Kim Marie	5/30	
Lamattina (Nicosia)	Michael	5/31	
Magrone	Deanna		5/1
Depregola	Joseph		5/2
Carrasco	Freddie		5/5
Altieri	Jason		5/6/
Sulzur	Philip		5/7
	John L		5/27
Boutsikakis			
Buono	Vincent		5/10
Curatolo	Stephen		5/10
Held			5/11
Lopez	Elyse		5/11
Motechin	Deena		5/13
Stiskin	Judy		5/14
Rinchiusso	James		5/14
Gambardella	Andrew		5/15
Nixon	Amnda Lynn		5/16
Gentile (Pachter)	Joseph		5/16
Berg	Justin		5/17
Mero	Jacob		5/18
White	Katina		5/18
Graney (Garofalo)	Joseph		5/22
Gregory	Marilyn		5/22
Nukho	Samira		5/23
Motisi	Chris		5/23
Bright	Billy		5/24
Chiara (Terranova)	Vincent		5/25
Ullo (John)	Denise		5/25
Sullivan	Walter		5/28
Datello	Christina		5/30
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