



THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

STATEN ISLAND CHAPTER
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.

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.

TCF MISSION STATEMENT

Meeting Dates

March 13, 2014

March 27, 2014

LORI SINGER
In loving memory of a beautiful pearl girl in Heaven.



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

NEW MEMEBRS:

WELCOME

WISHES



Get well wishes to Petrina D'Amico.

**Sincerely,
Virginia Chieco**

Telephone Friends

The people listed as telephone 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	718.97.0633	only child
Richard Pierce	908.653.1994	young child
Fran Zogby	718.356.6874	multiple children

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



MARCH 24th

Dear Stephen,

It's 6 years since we said our goodbyes, but the pain in our hearts hasn't lessened and never will—

Love you forever,
Mom & Dad



February 24th

Dearest Michael,
It's been 24 years already since you were taken from us.

Still seems like yesterday.

Now you have daddy & all our wonderful pups with you.

Happy Anniversary in Heaven- 2/24

Love,
Mom, Elizabeth, & you
3 nephews



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



Brian Benevento



Suzie Brunelle



Mindy Denora (Cohen)



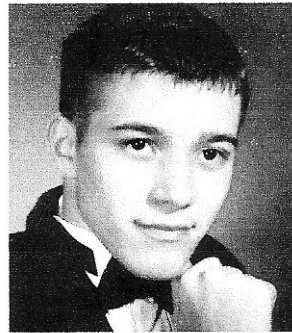
Christopher Schebece (Stock)



Joey Pellot



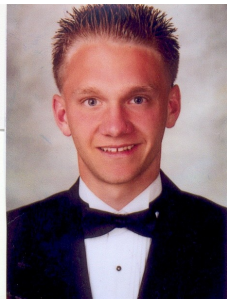
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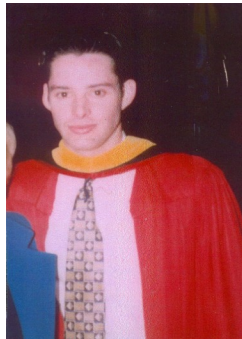
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Stephen Ventimiglia



Chris Biggs (Sellito)



Matthew Zogby



Nicky Chicco



Anthony Paino



Stephen Lanza



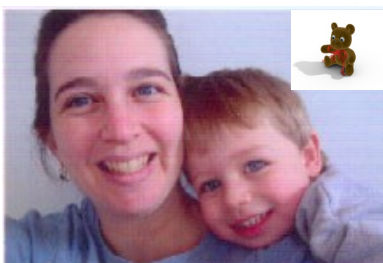
Matthew Van NAME



Mario Trueson



Lorie Singer



Nicholas Pierce



Tamara Piazza



Lori Singer (Muro)

Michael Scarfia, Jr.
February 24th

Our Dear Angel Nicholas,

Ten years is such a long time to not see your face, hear your voice or share our lives with you. We wish we could just hug you, talk to you or be with you to catch up on things that have been happening. So much has changed, your room, your friends have had children, and your sisters have grown, graduated, and celebrated so many milestones without you. I know you are with us everyday but the heartache of missing you will remain forever. Until we meet again, please watch over us, inspire us, and continue to remind us how precious our family is to one another and how quickly life can change. We love and miss you lots.

**Your incomplete family,
Mom, Dad, Stephanie and
Andrea (and Amanda and
Kris too)**



Nicholas Alessi

Love Gifts

March 9th

Our dearest daughter "Mindy,"

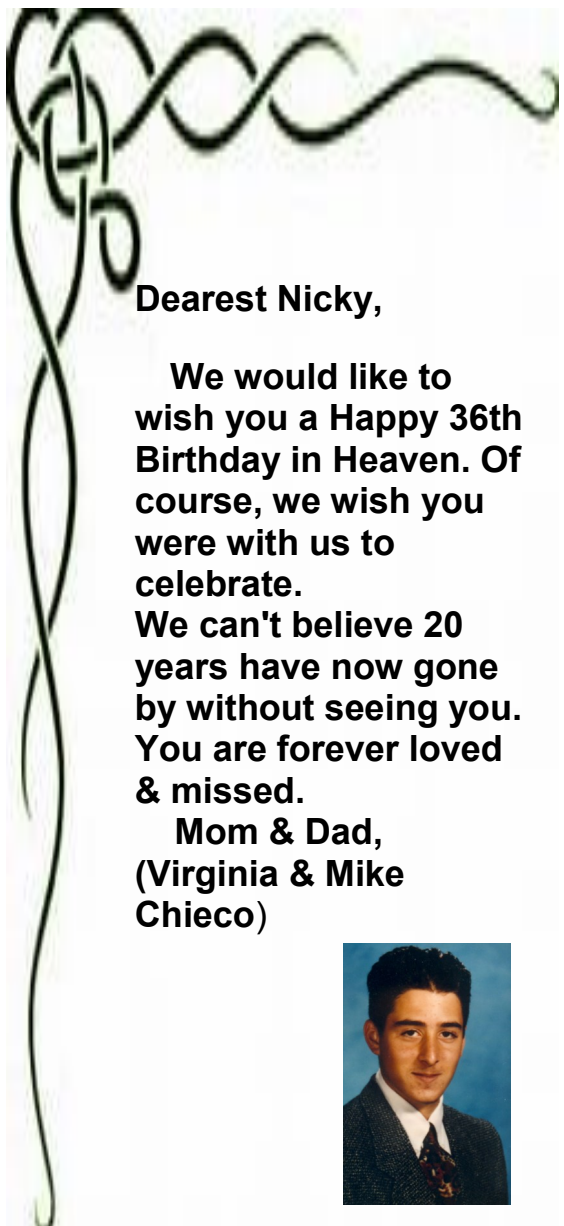
At the age of 26 you left us. It will be 26 years ago in November. Your children were very young but you would be very proud of how they have grown. They never forgot you They visit very often. "You are not here."

Nancy has gotten married and is going to be a mom. She is a beautiful woman and Danny is an absolute treasure. He is dating a very lovely girl.

We miss you so so much.
Till we see you - (Grandma)

Always,
Mom & Dad





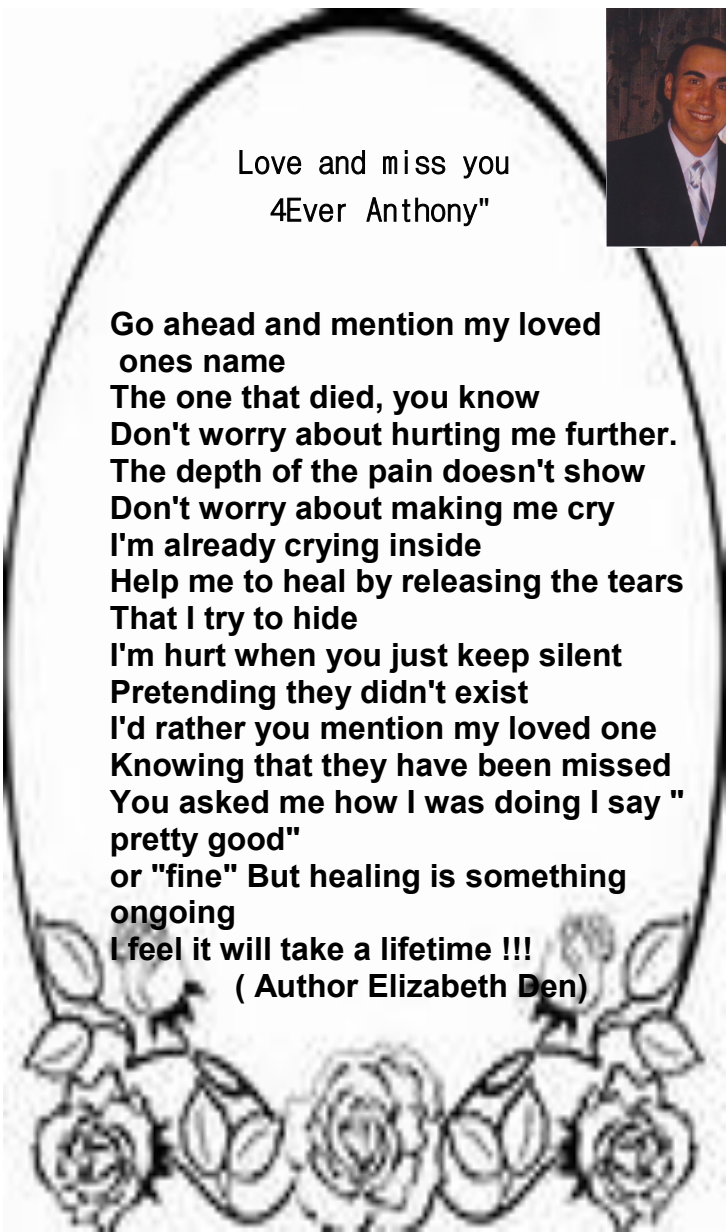
Love and miss you
4Ever Anthony"

Dearest Nicky,

We would like to wish you a Happy 36th Birthday in Heaven. Of course, we wish you were with us to celebrate.

We can't believe 20 years have now gone by without seeing you. You are forever loved & missed.

Mom & Dad,
(Virginia & Mike Chieco)

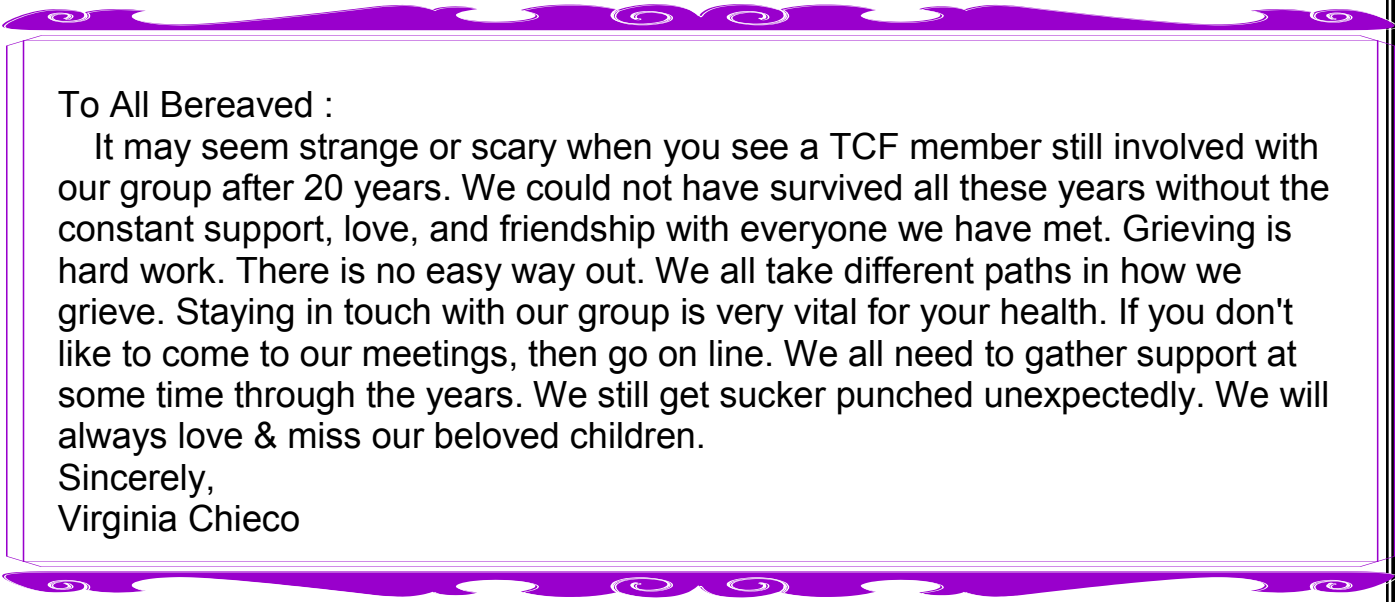


Go ahead and mention my loved ones name
The one that died, you know
Don't worry about hurting me further.
The depth of the pain doesn't show
Don't worry about making me cry
I'm already crying inside
Help me to heal by releasing the tears
That I try to hide
I'm hurt when you just keep silent
Pretending they didn't exist
I'd rather you mention my loved one
Knowing that they have been missed
You asked me how I was doing I say " pretty good"
or "fine" But healing is something ongoing
I feel it will take a lifetime !!!
(Author Elizabeth Den)

To All Bereaved :

It may seem strange or scary when you see a TCF member still involved with our group after 20 years. We could not have survived all these years without the constant support, love, and friendship with everyone we have met. Grieving is hard work. There is no easy way out. We all take different paths in how we grieve. Staying in touch with our group is very vital for your health. If you don't like to come to our meetings, then go on line. We all need to gather support at some time through the years. We still get sucker punched unexpectedly. We will always love & miss our beloved children.

Sincerely,
Virginia Chieco



Last Name	First Name	Birthday	Anniversary
Grossman	Martin	3/1	
Gambardella	Andrew	3/3	
Brunelle	Suzan	3/4	
Galiano	Vinny	3/7	
McGraw	Shaun	3/8	
Bright	Billy	3/9	
Denora (Cohen)	Mindy	3/9	
Benevento	Brian	3/9	
Sweeney (Henderson)	Richard	3/11	
Realmuto	Philip	3/12	
Lenihan	Keith Patrick	3/12	
	Frank	3/13	
Gallagher	Angel	3/18	
Graham	Maurice	3/18	
Schebece (Stock)	Christopher	3/19	
Pellot	Joey	3/20	
Adragna	Christina	3/20	
Dellaventura	Nicholas	3/20	
Pinnola	John	3/27	
Alessi (Schiano)	Nicholas		3/1
Bash	Michele		3/2
Ventimiglia	Stephen		3/5
Pellot	Joey		3/6
Berardi	Robert		3/6
Lustig	Suzanne Helaine		3/6
Pinnola	John		3/10
Alverso	Eric Ryan		3/10
Biggs (Sellito)	Chris		3/13
Flick (Pellegrino)	Maryann		3/13
Zogby	Matthew		3/17
Fortunato	Anthony		3/17
Chieco	Nicholas		3/18
Paino	Anthony		3/18
Roskowinski	Alex		3/18
Scarpa (Schiro)	Joey		3/20
Schreier (Ciriaco)	David		3/20
DiMartino	Dominick		3/23
Libonati	Thomas		3/23
Lanza	Stephen		3/24
Van Name	Matthew		3/24
Gutterman (Sibling)	Mark		3/24
Trueson	Mario		3/25
Davila	Jeremy		3/25
Barone	Matt		3/27
Pierce	Nicholas		3/30
Singer (Muro)	Lori		3/30
Piazza	Tamara		3/31
Bell	Julianna		3/31



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MARCH 2014

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9	10	11	12	13 Meeting	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27 Meeting	28	29
30	31					

Balloon Launch
Picnic
Walk

June 8, 2014
July 27, 2104
September 7, 2104