



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.

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 10th & 24th , 2016

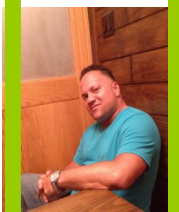
Dearest Frankie,

**A SON IS AMONG THE FINEST GIFTS
A LIFETIME CAN PROVIDE,
A BLESSING AND A CONSTANT SOURCE
OF HAPPINESS AND PRIDE.**

**A SON I ALWAYS THOUGHT ABOUT
AND OFTEN SPOKEN OF,
HE STAYS FOREVER CLOSE IN HEART-
BECAUSE A SON MEANS LOVE”**

**Son, just remember,
wherever life may take you,
you're always at home
right here in my heart.**

Luv ya forever



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 MEMBERS:

WELCOME

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Omar V 3/1 3/9

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
SUZIE BRUNELLE
March 4th



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



IN LOVING MEMORY
OF

LORI SINGER

March 30th



Dearest Nicky,
Wishing you a Happy Birthday in Heaven. You would be 38. It's been 22 years since we've hugged & kissed you. The missing & yearning for you never goes away. You are forever loved & missed.

We are always thinking of you. We know you are watching over us.

Mom & Dad
Virginia & Mike Chieco



PATRICIA BONSIGNORE

January 19th
Happy Birthday!

We celebrate loving you every day, now and forever.

Mom & John

(Anita Sparano)



Dear Stephen,
March 24th

We miss you, we love you, and will always keep you in our hearts.

Mom & Dad

(Bernice &
Vito Lanza)



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.



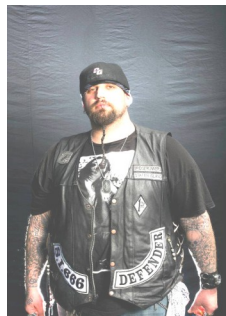
Suzy Brunelle



Anthony Compton (Mangone)



Mindy Denora (Cohen)



Brian Benevento



Maurice Graham



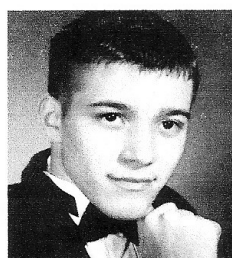
Christopher Schebece



Jose Manuel Pellot



John Pinnola



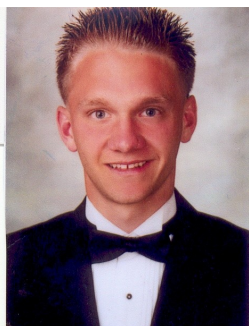
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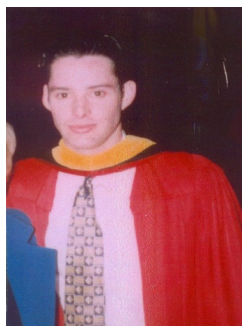
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Kelly Ward (Coohill)



Chris Biggs (Sellito)



Matthew Zogby



Nicky Chicco

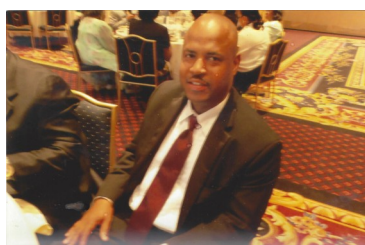


Anthony Paino

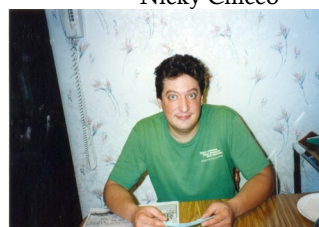
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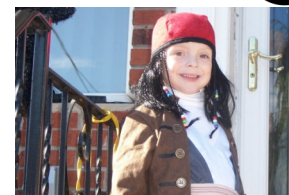
Thomas Libonati, Jr.



Winston Wright



Stephen Lanza



Matthew Van Name



Mario Trueson



Nicholas Pierce



Lorie Singer



Tamara Piazza



Vinny Galiano



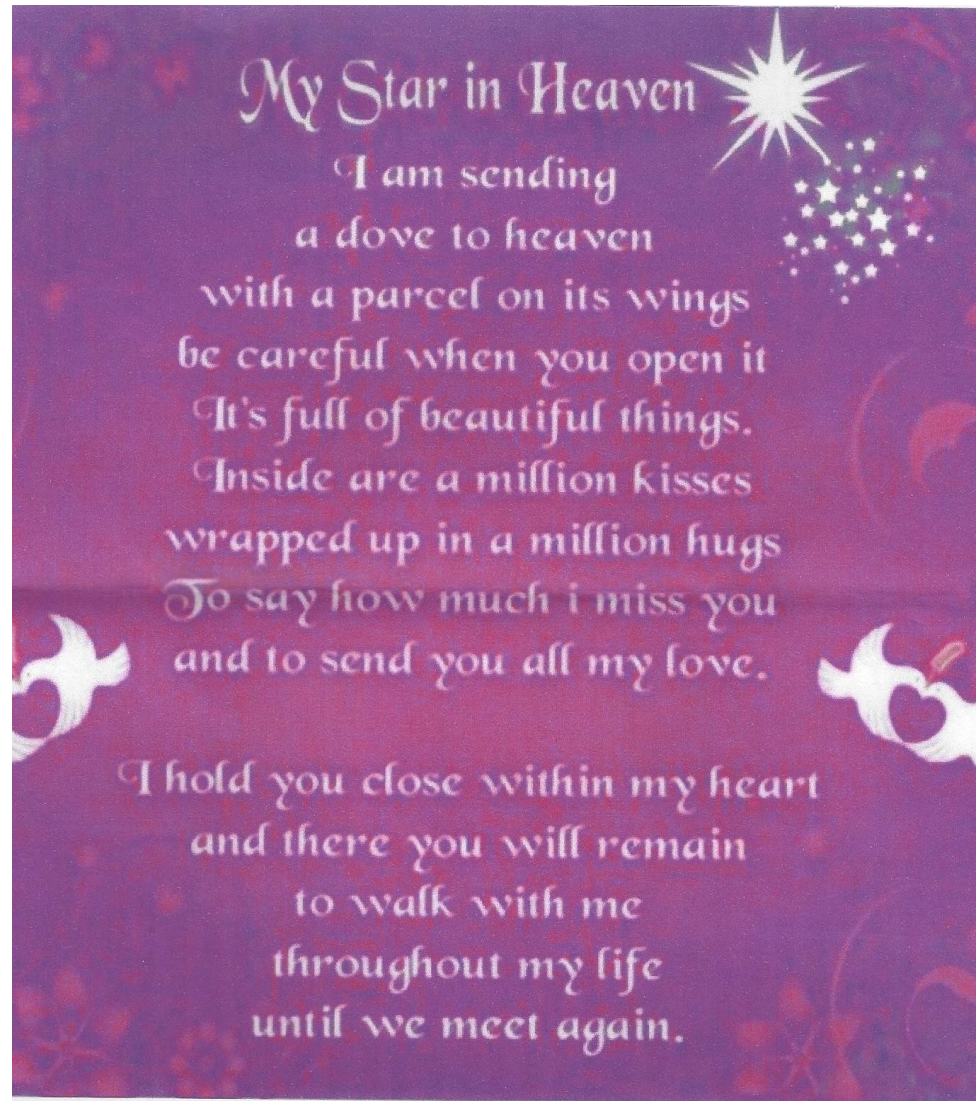
To My Three Sons

John
Louis
James

There are no words except

“I love you & miss you
every day!

Mom
(Florence Rinchiuso)



Dear Nicholas,

What a year 2016 will be without you! Your baby sister, Andrea, who was only 9 years old when you passed, has graduated college. You would be so proud. Your sister, Stephanie, who adored you and looked up to you as her hero, is getting married this year. You would, no doubt, be friends with her fiancé, Mike, having a great time celebrating this joyous event with us all. Our lives have forever changed because of the loss of yours. We have learned through the years to hold on to and appreciate those happy moments in life, not to sweat the small stuff, take time to relax and explore, and always honor you in some way at all events and milestones. While we all wait patiently to be with you again, we pray that your Spirit live on with us in all we do, and that you are proud knowing we have done our “best” to follow God’s plan for us here on earth. We love and miss you infinitely,
Mom, Dad, Stephanie and Andrea



Nicholas Alessi

HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN HEAVEN

On March 8 1964, Was the happiest day of my Life. We had bonded immediately, looking into his eyes with happy tears the bond between us began.

I watched Anthony grow into a fine young man, with many talents and achievements. I have many good memories that our family will celebrate today. We will go to Anthony's favorite restaurant and eat all his favorite foods, and his birthday cake.

I still struggle through many days, but I believe you are always at my side.

You are forever missed.

LOVE,.....

MOM, MICHAEL, STEVE, SHARON, AUNT

THERESA. XOXOXO



My Dearest Son Anthony,

I can't believe that 7 years have passed since I last heard your voice.

How many times have I picked up the phone to call you and then realized you cant answer.

My broken heart still cant believe you are living in Heaven now.

All I have are the memories to keep me going each day until we are together again .

Love you and miss you 4Ever.

Mom



Before you were even a twinkle in my eye, I saw this movie, "Gone with the wind". I was so obsessed with it I named all our animals after the characters. The next two cats to come in the house, I named Scarlett & Melonie. Then we got a cockatiel bird and I named him Rhett. The last was our new puppy and I named her Ashley (I know Ashley was a guy, whatever!).

I thought everything was complete until I had you.

The second I laid eyes on you I thought,

☆☆☆CLARK GABLE☆☆☆

Your hair was jet black,

Your eyes were as blue as the ocean,

Your chin had a cleft in it,

And certainly not the least, those ears!

I remember you always asking me if u could tape them back♡

I always told you about Clark Gable who had the same ears and to wear them proud. I will always love those ears♡♡♡

I miss u my Angel ♡

Be at peace with our Heavenly.

Love,

Mom (Candance Crupi)

11-19

3-31

Tamara Piazza

I cannot believe it's been eight years since you're gone and I find it so difficult to carry on. I carry you in my heart every day and know you are by my side to show me the way. You suffered so much and yet your spirit was strong and I try my best to remember that so I can go on. I feel our love will never die. It was stronger than all the stars in the sky. Please know I miss you each and every day and will do good in legacy of you as here I still must stay. One day we will be together again & our love will never end. Dad loves you and misses & prays for you every day. He loves you so much and always will.

Forever in our

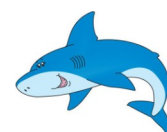


Love,
Mom & Dad

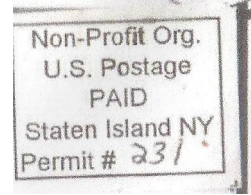


Last Name	First Name	Birthday	Anniversary
Grossman	Martin	3/1	
Brady	Kevin	3/1	
Marquez	Omar V.	3/1	
Gambardella	Andrew	3/3	
Brunelle	Suzan	3/4	
Galiano	Vinny	3/7	
McGraw	Shaun	3/8	
Compton (Mangone)	Anthony	3/8	
Bright	Billy	3/9	
Denora (Cohen)	Mindy	3/9	
Benevento	Brian	3/9	
Sweeney (Henderson)	Richard	3/11	
Realmuto	Philip	3/12	
Lenihan	Keith Patrick	3/12	
Dimitri	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
Ward (Coohill)	Kelly		3/7
Marquez	Omar V.		3/9
Pinnola	John		3/10
Alverso	Eric Ryan		3/10
Russell	Paris		3/10
Acierno	Diane		3/12
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
Wright	Winston		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
Crupi	Johnathan		3/29
Pierce	Nicholas		3/30
Singer (Muro)	Lori		3/30
Datello	Christina		3/30
Piazza	Tamara		3/31
Bell	Julianna		3/31

OUR CHILDREN



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OR CURRENT RESIDENT

MARCH 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	Meeting10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	Meeting24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

**Balloon Launch
Conference**

**June 5, 2016
July 8-11, 2016**