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“The mission of The Compassionate Friends is to assist families toward the positive resolution of grief following the death of a child of any age and to provide information to help others be supportive.”

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The Atlanta Chapter of The Compassionate Friends meets the second
Tuesday of each month from 7:30 – 9:30 p.m. at the:

First Christian Church of Atlanta
4532 LaVista Road, Tucker, GA 30084

Directions: From I-285/Perimeter Freeway, take the LaVista Road exit and proceed east on LaVista Road (left turn from the inner loop, right turn from the outer loop). We're about a mile ahead on the left.

Upcoming Chapter Meetings:
January 10, February 14 and March 13

The Atlanta Chapter also offers a Sibling Group at the same time as our regular monthly meeting.

The Compassionate Friends, Inc. is a mutual assistance, self-help organization offering friendship, understanding, and hope to bereaved families. Anyone who has experienced the death of a child of any age, from any cause is welcome. Our meetings give parents an opportunity to talk about their child and about their feelings as they go through the grieving process. There is no religious affiliation. There are no membership dues. The purpose of this support group is not to focus on the cause of death or the age of the child, as it is to focus on being a bereaved parent, along with the feelings and issues that evolve around the death experience of a child.

To Our New Members

Coming to the first meeting is the hardest, but you have nothing to lose and everything to gain! Try not to judge your first meeting as to whether or not The Compassionate Friends will work for you. At the next meeting you may find just the right person or just the right words said that will help you in your grief work.

To Our Members Who are Further Down the 'Grief Road'

We need your encouragement and your support. Each meeting we have new parents. THINK BACK – what would it have been like for you at your first meeting if there had not been any TCF “veterans” to welcome you, share your grief, encourage you and tell you, “your pain will not always be this bad, it really does get better!”

*You Need Not Walk Alone.
We Are The Compassionate Friends.*

TCF Credo

We need not walk alone. We are The Compassionate Friends. We reach out to each other with love, with understanding, and with hope. The children we mourn have died at all ages and from many different causes, but our love for them unites us. Your pain becomes my pain, just as your hope becomes my hope. We come together from all walks of life, from many different circumstances. We are a unique family because we represent many races, creeds, and relationships. We are young, and we are old. Some of us are far along in our grief, but others still feel a grief so fresh and so intensely painful that they feel helpless and see no hope. Some of us have found our faith to be a source of strength, while some of us are struggling to find answers. Some of us are angry, filled with guilt or in deep depression, while others radiate an inner peace. But whatever pain we bring to this gathering of The Compassionate Friends, it is pain we will share, just as we share with each other our love for the children who have died. We are all seeking and struggling to build a future for ourselves, but we are committed to building a future together. We reach out to each other in love to share the pain as well as the joy, share the anger as well as the peace, share the faith as well as the doubts, and help each other to grieve as well as to grow. We Need Not Walk Alone. We Are The Compassionate Friends. ©2007 The Compassionate Friends.

Siblings Walking Together (Formerly the Sibling Credo)

We are the surviving siblings of The Compassionate Friends. We are brought together by the deaths of our brothers and sisters. Open your hearts to us, but have patience with us. Sometimes we will need the support of our friends. At other times we need our families to be there. Sometimes we must walk alone, taking our memories with us, continuing to become the individuals we want to be. We cannot be our dead brother or sister; however, a special part of them lives on with us. When our brothers and sisters died, our lives changed. We are living a life very different from what we envisioned, and we feel the responsibility to be strong even when we feel weak. Yet we can go on because we understand better than many others the value of family and the precious gift of life. Our goal is not to be the forgotten mourners that we sometimes are, but to walk together to face our tomorrows as surviving siblings of The Compassionate Friends. ©The Compassionate Friends.

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Announcements

A Special Thank You

The 31st Annual Candlelight Remembrance Service Atlanta Chapter of The Compassionate Friends was held on Saturday, December 3, 2011. The chapter would like to give special thanks to:

Janet Mitchell, Parent Speaker ~ Brooke Carithers, Sibling Speaker ~ Maureen Beamer, Mistress of Ceremonies ~ Lisa Kennedy, for singing for us ~ Gene Watson for playing piano ~ Dan Bryl for the memorial video of our children and siblings ~ Abigail Arthur-Chillman, for donating the printing of the invitations ~ To everyone who contributed food for our reception and contributed financially to the success of this program ~ To the First Christian Church of Atlanta for sharing their beautiful church with us ~ And our Atlanta (Tucker) Steering Committee.

TCF 2012 National/International Conference



35TH NATIONAL CONFERENCE,
5TH INTERNATIONAL GATHERING
July 20-22, 2012 | Costa Mesa, California

Save the date: **July 20-22, 2012**, for 35th TCF/USA National Conference; 5th International Gathering in Costa Mesa, California.

Please Make Your Hotel Reservations Early

You can now make reservations for the conference host hotel. Although The Compassionate Friends has arranged a room block for the conference that includes every room within the Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa hotel, we recommend that you reserve your room early if you wish to stay at the host hotel. Because our national conference includes the International Gathering, there is little doubt that all rooms will be filled. Room charge is \$129 per night plus tax of approximately 11%. The room block is available July 17-24. You can also receive the

special room rate July 14-16 and July 25-27, but subject to more limited availability. Rooms are King Size (holds 2, roll-away bed available for \$10 per night) or double queen (maximum 4 per room).

To reserve your room online, please go to [Online Reservations](http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/S/SNAC_MHH-FRIEND-20120717/index.jhtml) (http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/S/SNAC_MHH-FRIEND-20120717/index.jhtml). Please note that the first night's deposit is required at the time you reserve your room. Should your plans change, this deposit will be refunded as long as the room is cancelled at least one day prior to the start of your reservation. You can also call your reservation directly to the hotel at 714-540-7000. Room block reservations will be taken until June 26 or until the room block is sold out, whichever comes first. If the room block sells out, as we anticipate, we will advise you regarding overflow hotels. There will be complimentary shuttles every 20 minutes between the hotel and John Wayne Airport (SNA). On-site parking for conference guests is \$7 per night or Valet \$25 per night.

To learn more about the conference, please visit the TCF national website: http://www.compassionatefriends.org/News_Events/Conferences/TCF_2012_Nat_Conference_and_5th_Intern_Gathering.aspx.

Remembrance Cards



The chapter would like to thank everyone who supports the Remembrance Card ministry through their chapter donations. Your generosity allows our families to receive a beautifully hand crafted card commemorating their child, grandchild, or sibling's remembrance dates.

Monthly Meeting Room Update

Our monthly meetings, currently held in the Fellowship Room at the First Christian Church of Atlanta, may be moving in the months ahead to a new room at the church. Please watch for details in the monthly meeting email reminder.

Walking the Lonesome Valley

By Annette Mennen Baldwin, TCF Katy, TX
In memory of my son, Todd Mennen

One of my favorite gospel songs is "You've Got to Walk That Lonesome Valley" which is attributed to various composers in the early 20th Century. Many adaptations have been made to the words, yet all seem to fit.

This gospel song is particularly poignant for bereaved parents. We must take our grief journey alone. We must take our grief journey on our own terms and in our own way. I found myself humming and then singing this gospel song after my son died over nine years ago.

I was never really alone in this lonesome valley, however; many are taking this same walk, in their own ways and on their own terms. In TCF, we learn from other parents who walk the lonesome valley. We receive hope from those who take this journey with us. Some bereaved parents choose to return to the darkest places in the lonesome valley and help our newly bereaved parents as they define their own personal journey. Gradually, after thousands of steps, the bereaved parent comes to the place of resolution and emerges from the valley into the gauzy sunlight of hope and peace.

Reach out for assuring words and thoughts and ideas and hope. Take comfort in knowing that each of us is walking the lonesome valley.

You've got to walk that lonesome valley
You've got to walk it by yourself
There's no one here can walk it for you
You've got to walk it by yourself

I must walk this lonesome valley,
I have to walk it by myself,
Oh, nobody else can walk it for me,
I have to walk it by myself.

I must go and stand my trial,
I have to stand it by myself,
O, nobody else can stand it for me,
I have to stand it by myself.



"Getting
Stuck --
and
Unstuck"



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Wednesday, January 18, 2012

8:00 PM - 9:00 PM EST
7:00 P.M. - 8:00 PM CST
6:00 P.M. - 7:00 PM MST
5:00 P.M. - 6:00 PM PST

REGISTER NOW



Join us for a Webinar on January 18

Bereaved parents often talk about feeling "stuck" in grief. "Stuck," however can mean different things to different people -- particularly at different times in the grief journey. Please join our presenter, Vicki Scalzitti, as she explores and defines how we know when we've hit a grief hurdle and consider strategies to get moving again. With a new year (may) come new hope!

System Requirements
PC-based attendees
Required: Windows® 7, Vista, XP or 2003 Server
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The Child That's Not There

By Tricia Palmer, TCF, Tidewater, VA
In memory of my son, Gabriel Boyer

The child that's not there
Takes up every piece of me

The child that's not there
Consumes my every thought

The child that's not there
Makes me feel like I failed

The child that's not there
Took away a main reason for being

But

The children that are there
Still somehow bring me joy

The children that are there
Still need my love

The children that are there
Don't need any more grief

The children that are there
Force me to go on.

Siblings Walking Together

When a child dies, siblings are often referred to as “the forgotten mourners.” The Compassionate Friends of Atlanta Siblings Group provides support to teens and adults after the death of a sibling.

Washing the Family Car

*By Adele Rosales, TCF Ventura, CA
In memory of my sister, Anita*

As the water began to bead
Across the hard black surface,
My mind slipped into a memory.
Back to a time when a smile
Could fix the pain
And mortality was not questioned.
You and I played during the dreary
Task of washing the family car.
Rinsing turned into a water fight.
Soapy sponges became weapons,
And upside down buckets served
As our fortress.

This dull chore became an adventure,
A game shared only by you and I.
Drenched, the giggles slowly subsided
And we turned to complete the more
Serious side of our labor.
We began to dry off the car.
As the memory faded, so did my smile.
With forlorn my mind came back
to the present.
I had my own serious task to complete
So I picked up a towel to dry off your headstone.

Do I Have To?

*By Jackie Rosen
TCF N.Dade/S. Broward, FL*

Mom, do I have to stop loving my brother because he is
not here?
Will I forget all about him because he's not near?
I remember all the things we did together, even though we
were very young.
I laugh and feel warm each time I think of a particularly
funny one.
Sometimes I get so angry that he's no longer here to share,
But I know he knows it's only because of how much I still
care.

I miss him, so even though at times we didn't agree,
Just knowing he was there made things feel safe for me.
He always felt he had to be my strong, protective big
brother,
And that's a bond we'll always share forever with each
other.

He tried to protect me even when he, too, was just scared.
No, I won't stop loving that big brother of mine,
Not now, not ever, not till the end of time.
He will always be a part of what makes me be me.
And that's the part of our love that will live eternally.



Our Children, Grandchildren and Siblings' Birthdates



January, February and March

Christopher James Downs 1/9 Son of Jim and Joan Downs	Antwain Danta Whatley 1/27 Son of Gloria Whatley	Nichelle Yvette "Nikki" Twyman 2/17 Daughter of Carol McNeal	Kristina Danelle Beard 3/9 Daughter of Eric Beard
Jason Gibson 1/10 Son of Tricia Garrett	Charles Allen Pilgreen 1/28 Son of Brenda and Ernest Shiptet	Demetria Renee Saylor 2/22 Daughter of Barbara Saylor Atterberry	Hayden Vann 3/9 Sister of Whitney Horne
Jeffery Brian Herndon 1/12 Son of Lynn Cooper	Clinton Ron Walker 1/31 Son of Candace and Clint Walker	Brooklyn Jean McGrath 2/23 Daughter of Tim McGrath	Robert M. Sullins, Jr. 3/13 Son of Robert and Karol Sullens
Kathleen Darko 1/12 Daughter of Joanne Darko	Clayton Thomas Sechrist 2/1 Son of Ann and Nelson Sechrist	Melvin Shannon 2/23 Son of Lillian Smith Brother of Juanita White	Anthony Joseph Ishu 3/13 Son of Rose Ishu
Sharon Elizabeth Zick 1/12 Daughter of Paul and Rebecca Zick	Grover Dwayne Brooks, Jr. 2/2 Son of Barbra Brooks	Kathleen Dirr 2/24 Daughter of Jim Dirr	Michael D. Hamilton 3/14 Son of Helena Hamilton
Elliott Vahid Brown 1/13 Son of Edward and Maria Brown	Regina L. Randall 2/3 Daughter of Tanya Garrett	Todd Kirk Stien 2/25 Son of Lorann Stien	Bill Hawley 3/15 Son of Carol and Bill Hawley
Nick Posey 1/14 Son of Diana and William Posey	Michael Brantley, Jr. 2/4 Son of Cheryl and Michael Brantley	Heide Hilburn 2/26 Sister of Millie Hilburn	Annie Hope Shlevin 3/15 Daughter of Barbara Shlevin
Jessica Lyn Bryl 1/19 Daughter of Betty and Daniel Bryl	David Underwood 2/4 Son of Sunny Underwood	Matthew Meehan 2/26 Son of Michael Meehan and Vicki Webb	Desha Beamer 3/18 Daughter of Maureen Beamer
John Daniel Pettyjohn 1/19 Son of Julia Moon Pettyjohn	Anthony Harold Staiano 2/8 Son of Joseph Staiano	Brian Trunnel Rounds 2/29 Son of Floyd and Janice Rounds Brother of Floyd T. Rounds	Reezin N. "Chip" Swilley, Jr. 3/18 Son of Reezin and Elsie Swilley
Charlie Wellman 1/20 Son of Mary Wellman	Terrell Wilson 2/12 Son of Tracy Wilson	Allen Shugart 3/4 Son of Kelli and Henry Shugart	Miranda Leigh Whiteway 3/24 Daughter of Lorie Whiteway
Janice Benator 1/23 Daughter of Carol Wolper	Apollo Holmes 2/14 Son of Dorothea Eastman	Jerry Watson 3/4 Son of Linda Watson Brother of Phyllis Watson	Corey Adam Price 3/24 Grandson of Angie Williams
Michael "Kyle" Davis 1/27 Son of Mary Ann Davis	Arthur Burt Jordan 2/16 Son of Ann Asbell Brother of Emily Jordan	Kevin W. McFarlin 3/5 Brother of Kelly McKellar	Shemariah Tafari Downer 3/26 Son of Barbara H. Forbes
Jamarr Jordan 1/27 Son of Janet Mitchell Brother of Nina Florence			Hallbrook "Trey" Polite, III 3/28 Son of Linda and Hallbrook Polite, Jr.

Our Children, Grandchildren and Siblings' Remembrance Dates



January, February and March

Damien White 1/6 Son of Robin White	Scott Wiseman 2/3 Son of Lynn Wiseman	Michael Brantley, Jr. 3/6 Son of Cheryl and Michael Brantley	David James Teddlie 3/22 Son of Anne and Don Teddlie Brother of Lynn Teddlie
Clayton Olvey 1/12 Son of June Smith	Clinton Ron Walker 2/7 Son of Candace and Clint Walker	Mathew Scott Marshall 3/10 Son of Gena and John Ivester	Winn Jordan 3/23 Son of Bill and Jan Jordan
Jessica Dodge 1/14 Daughter of Dan and Tamie Dodge	Stephen Ledford 2/8 Son of Luella and Mike Ledford	Jennifer Marie Dailey 3/12 Daughter of Joanne and Bob Dailey	Tony Edge 3/23 Son of Victoria Schutter
Richard Alan Cartin 1/16 Son of Nancy Murphy	Herbert Shaw, Jr. 2/10 Son of Arlena M. Shaw	Heide Hilburn 3/15 Sister of Millie Hilburn	Quin-Chay Johnson 3/24 Daughter of Tara Johnson Sister of Amber Johnson
Mark East 1/25 Son of Jeff East	Michael B. Faulkner 2/11 Son of Wayne and Lise Faulkner	Miranda Leigh Whiteway 3/15 Daughter of Lorie Whiteway	Demetrius O'Neal Span, Jr. 3/24 Son of Calvin and Tammie Washington
Brandon Charles Williams 1/25 Son of Sharon Williams	Jamarr Jordan 2/14 Son of Janet Mitchell and Brother of Nina Florence	Candi Gaye Marshall 3/16 Daughter of Gena and John Ivester	Sharon Denise Garrett-Jeudi 3/26 Daughter of Tanya Garrett
Katherine A. Chillman 1/26 Daughter of Abigail Arthur- Chillman and Michael Chillman	Clayton Thomas Sechrist 2/20 Son of Ann and Nelson Sechrist	Joey Capron 3/17 Son of Carmen Capron	Dianne Martha Shlevin 3/26 Daughter of Barbara Shlevin
Jonathan Aaron Blumenfeld 1/27 Son of Harriet Blumenfeld	Cornishia Matthews 2/22 Daughter of Gwendolyn Stegall	Jonathan-Diondre' Holloway 3/17 Son of Cynthia Edwards- Holloway	Aaron Marion 3/31 Son of Denise Marion
Amelia Sutterthwaite Ward 1/29 Daughter of Lisa and Greg Ward	Billy Snapp 2/25 Son of Teal Snapp	Anthony Joseph Ishu 3/18 Son of Rose Ishu	
Natalie Marie Webb 1/31 Daughter of Jennifer Webb	John Allen Askins 3/3 Son of Elaine Askins	Charles Allen Pilgreen 3/19 Son of Brenda and Ernest Shiplet	
Corey Adam Price 1/31 Grandson of Angie Williams		Demetria Renee Saylor 3/20 Daughter of Barbara Saylor Atterberry	
Kameron Michael Dunmore 2/2 Son of Karen A. Dunmore		Ronald Taus 3/20 Son of Dena Hubbard	
Thandiwe Hunt 2/2 Daughter of Mucha Hunt			

TCF National Organization is on Facebook and Twitter



Please visit and help promote The Compassionate Friends National Organization's Facebook page by becoming a fan. You can get there by:

- Clicking the link from TCF's national website home page at www.compassionatefriends.org.
- Log into Facebook and search for *The Compassionate Friends/USA*.
- Visiting www.facebook.com/TCFUSA

"We want this to be both an informative and supportive place for those of us who are mourning the death of a child, sibling, or grandchild," says TCF's Executive Director Patricia Loder. "All are welcome to leave messages and talk about the child and their grief. As in our meetings, we especially appreciate shared insights about anything that has brought you comfort, hope, or some measure of peace."

Our Facebook page provides a forum for free and open conversation. While messages are reviewed, they will not be screened before they are posted. So we are asking members to be gentle and respectful of one another and to use common sense in their posts – no offensive language, no overt selling of products or services and no religious proselytizing. TCF is now also on Twitter (<http://twitter.com/#!/tcfofusa>). Please keep in mind that all opinions expressed are those of the individual poster and do not necessarily reflect those of The Compassionate Friends, Inc. or its sponsors.

In addition to the social support aspect, The Compassionate Friends/USA Facebook and Twitter pages will have information about upcoming events such as conferences, the Walk to Remember, and the Worldwide Candle Lighting. Please visit often and contribute to the conversations.

These social media initiatives are important to TCF because they will help increase public awareness about our organization and better enable us to fulfill our mission to help bereaved parents, siblings, and grandparents.

For more information, you may call TCF's National Office toll-free at 877-969-0010 or write Wayne@compassionatefriends.org.

TCF Atlanta: The Compassionate Friends of Atlanta is also on Facebook.

We invite you to join. For more information, visit the following links:

- www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=43057397614
- www.facebook.com/TCFAtlantaSiblings

You will need to log into Facebook to join the group. You will also need a Facebook account (it's free).

Our hope is that you will be able to connect to someone to help you in your grief journey. Remember "*We Need Not Walk Alone*."

Sign Up for The Compassionate Friends E-Newsletter

The Compassionate Friends National Office publishes a monthly e-newsletter designed to keep you up-to-date on what's going on with the organization and its 630 chapters.

Published once a month (as well as occasional special editions), the e-newsletter includes information on such things as TCF National Conferences, the Walk to Remember, the Worldwide Candle Lighting, regional conferences, and other events of importance.

Each e-newsletter also includes a story specially selected from a past edition of "*We Need Not Walk Alone*," the national magazine of The Compassionate Friends. For the siblings, the e-newsletter features a past question and answer column by Dr. Mary Paulson.

All you have to do to receive The Compassionate Friends e-newsletter is sign up for it online by visiting The Compassionate Friends national website at www.compassionatefriends.org and clicking on e-newsletter at the top of the Home page.



*"The passage of time alone does not cause our grief to end,
but its softening touch helps us to survive."*

~ Wayne Loder

Gifts of Love

A love gift is a gift of money to The Compassionate Friends of Atlanta. It is usually in honor of a child who has died, but it can also be from individuals who want to honor a relative or friend who has died, a gift of thanksgiving that their own children are alive and well, or simply a gift from someone who wants to help in the work of our chapter.

The following donations are in support of the Atlanta Chapter newsletter, candlelight service, website and other outreach.

All chapters within TCF are totally dependent on funds from our families. We DO NOT receive funds from our National Office. Everything we need to operate our local chapters is paid directly from our local resources and our local family contributions. Thank you to all who contribute and support your local chapters. Some people contribute in memory of other's children ... this is a wonderful way for others to say, "I am remembering your child." Other "Gifts of Love" are evident by all the compassionate and giving volunteers we have within our TCF Atlanta organization.



Love gifts to the Atlanta Chapter of TCF should be made payable to *The Compassionate Friends* and mailed to our treasurer:

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Love Gifts

In Loving Memory of Victoria Fields, from her mother Patricia Chasse Hiatt, Arlington, VA
In Loving Memory of Ashley Craig, from her mother La Tangie Craig, Hampton, GA
In Loving Memory of Robert Lind, from his parents Robert and Bette Lind, Lilburn, GA
In Loving Memory of Margie Ann Lind, from her parents Robert and Bette Lind, Lilburn, GA
In Memory of Christopher Simpson, from his parents Dan and Patricia Simpson, Auburn, GA
In Loving Memory of Christopher Simpson, from his brother Luke Simpson, Grovetown, GA
In Loving Memory of Jennifer Dailey, from her parents Robert and Joanne Dailey, Lilburn, GA
In Loving Memory of Clayton Royce Olvey, from his mother June D. Smith, Cumming, GA
In Loving Memory of Stephen L. Roux, from his mother Delores Roux, Apalachicola, FL
In Loving Memory of James Daniel Smith, from his mother Judith Smith, Tucker, GA
In Loving Memory of Michael Btembke, from his father Ghakarhi Btembke, Norcross, GA

Candlelight Remembrance Service Donations

Deborah Kelly in memory of her son Derrick M. Kelly
Kelly McKellar in memory of her brother Kevin McFarlin
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Lorann Stien in memory of her son Todd Kirk Stien
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Tanya Garrett in memory of her daughter Regina L. Randall
Tanya Garrett in memory of her daughter Sharon Denise Garrett-Jeudi
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Daughter of Selma Calaman

In Memory of Jim Browning
Son of Barbara and Gene Browning
Brother of Jeff Browning, Jan NeSmith
and Julie Galbiati
Father of Kirsten, Kailey and
Jared Browning

In Memory of Jessica Lyn Bryl
Daughter of Dan and Betty Bryl
Sister of Sarah Bryl

In Memory of Michael Btembke
Son of Ghakarhi Btembke

In Memory of Donald Wesley Carithers
Son of Johnny and Susan Carithers
Brother of Jennifer Carithers Sanders and
Brooke Carithers
Brother-in-law of James Sanders

In Memory of Julian Oliver Carter
Son of Julie and Bryan Carter

In Memory of Katherine A. Chillman
Daughter of Abigail Arthur-Chillman and
Michael Chillman

In Memory of Meseret Debru
Son of Kila Gebru

In Memory of Jessica Dodge
Daughter of Tamie and Dan Dodge

In Memory of Tony Durham
Son of Cindy Durham
Brother of Katie Durham
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Daughter of Tanya Garrett
Mother of Auriana

In Memory of Micki Henderson
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In Memory of Brendon Hope
Son of Terri and John Hope

In Memory of Derrick M. Kelly
Son of Deborah Kelly

In Memory of Christopher Joseph Hobbs
Son of Joseph and Gwendolyn Hobbs
Brother of James Ryan Hobbs

In Memory of Jamarr Jordan
Son of Janet Mitchell
Brother of AntoNina Martia and
Roger Mitchell

In Memory of Jason Maham
Son of Trish Maham

In Memory of Kevin McFarlin
Brother of Kelly McKellar

In Memory of Jeff Noble
Son of Doreen and Eric Trussell

In Memory of Clayton Royce Olvey
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Son of Kelli and Henry Shugart

In Memory of Dr. Tony Staiano
Son of Joseph Staiano

In Memory of Mashanda Nicole Taylor
Daughter of Terrilyn Michelle Taylor-Scott

In Memory of David Underwood
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In Memory of Amanda Christine Warnock
Daughter of Amy Osier

In Memory of Antoine Williams
Son of Jena Barnett

NEW SUBSCRIPTION - RENEWAL - CHANGE FORM - DONATIONS

If you are receiving our newsletter for the first time...everyone within The Compassionate Friends Organization wants to say We are sorry you have the need for this publication but we are glad you found us and we hope our newsletter will be helpful on your journey. Someone may have lovingly sent you the newsletter...and if so and you find it helpful, please complete the data sheet enclosed and return it so that we may add you to our newsletter database for future mailings. This is to insure that all the information we have is correct and complete. *This is for internal use only.*

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Child's Birth Date: _____ Child's Death Date: _____

Cause of Child's Death : (optional): _____

Child's relationship to you (e.g. son, daughter, brother, sister, grandchild) _____

Names and ages of all surviving siblings living with you: _____

- How did you find out about The Compassionate Friends? Enter # here _____ (1) Friends (2) Family (3) Hospital (4) Church (5) School (6) Funeral Homes (7) Internet (8) Newspaper (9) Employers (Human Resources) (10) Other _____

Note: The information you have given above will be confidential (*used for internal purposes only*) unless you answer "yes" to one or more of the following questions:

1. Do you want your child's name to appear in the newsletter's "***We Remember You***" section of birth and death dates?
Yes ☐ No ☐
2. Do you want to receive the daily e-newsletter from TCF Atlanta? If so, please include your email

3. Do you wish to have your child's name included on the Wall of Memory on our TCF Atlanta Web Site? Yes ☐ No ☐
4. May we include the above information in the TCF Atlanta Chapter directory? Yes ☐ No ☐

Voluntary donations are TCF Atlanta's only source of income. The Compassionate Friends needs to be here for the families who do not know today that they will need us tomorrow.

Yes, I want to help with TCF outreach...a donation is enclosed in Memory of _____

I would like to apply my donation toward the following outreach: 1) ☐ Newsletter (2) ☐ Birthday/Angel Date Cards (3) ☐ Newly-Bereaved Packets (4) ☐ Annual Candlelight Remembrance Service (5) ☐ Library (6) ☐ General Expenses

Make Checks Payable to: The Compassionate Friends
Please return to: The Compassionate Friends, c/o Jayne Newton (treasurer), 808 Brentway Court, Lilburn, GA 30047
Or, return by e-mail to: jayne@tcfatlanta.org