



Monthly Group Meeting

Tyler Area Meeting

Monday, April 15, 6:30 p.m.

New Location! 1901 Ricketty Ln., Tyler

Jacksonville Meeting

Tuesday, April 2, 6:30 p.m.

Sam Smith's office, 1401 E. Rusk

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The Meeting Agenda

6:30 p.m. - Meeting will begin with refreshments followed by announcement of birthdays and anniversaries and reading of the Credo. We will then have open discussion.

8:00 p.m. - Meeting will close by recognizing our childrens' names. Feel free to visit after the meeting or check out books from our library.

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Butterfly Release, May, 2013

Butterflies will be released in memory of all our children at the 2013 Compassionate Friends Butterfly Release set for Saturday, May 18 at 1:00 p.m. The setting for this uplifting and peaceful event will be the First Baptist Church South Campus, 17002 Highway 69 South in Tyler.

Live butterflies are for sale for \$10 each and must be reserved in plenty of time for ordering. Please send your check and reservation information to TCF at P.O. Box 9714, Tyler, Texas 75711. Reserved butterflies will be picked up for release the day of the event.

Colorful solid-painted wooden butterflies will be sold for \$20 each at the Butterfly Release; we are not taking special orders for personalized butterflies this year.

Silent auction items are being collected. If something catches your eye that you think those attending would enjoy bidding on, please consider donating. For donation information, please email us at info@tylertcf.org.

Proceeds from the Butterfly Release will again be used for outreach efforts and materials.

The Butterfly Release begins at 1 p.m. that Saturday but volunteers are needed and welcomed for either set-up work the Friday evening before, or beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday the day of the release. Please contact us at 903-258-2547 if you want to volunteer.

Enjoying refreshments and visiting with TCF friends and family after the butterflies are released is a special part of the day. If you would like to donate any finger food—cookies, chips/dips, small sandwiches, pickles, olives, cheese cubes, fruit chunks or veggies—any of your special favorites—please contact Carol Thompson at 903-539-0458! Cake will be served and bottled iced water will be available.

We look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new ones at the Butterfly Release! Your presence means everything to this very special event!

See Butterfly Release flier on page 8. Feel free to share and post.

Photos from a Previous Butterfly Release



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.



We need not walk alone.

“A wounded heart, not allowed to mend from the depth of its agony, will be as an abscess to swell and undermine, erupting at a distant time. Or, suppressed, will slowly choke the spirit of its host. Only the bearer will know when his heart has healed.” —Nancy Green

Welcome

We extend a warm welcome to those who attended their first TCF meeting last month.

We deeply regret the circumstances that brought you to our TCF Chapter. The Compassionate Friends is a mutual assistance, not-for-profit, self-help organization that offers support and understanding to families who have experienced the death of a child. You are cordially invited to attend our monthly meeting (held the third Monday of the month). The meeting is open to everyone and free of charge. You are free to talk, cry or to sit in silence; we respect the individuality of mourning. Comments shared in the meetings remain confidential.

Our chapter is operated entirely by volunteers dedicated to furthering the work of TCF. Your voluntary, tax deductible donations honor your loved one(s) in a meaningful way by enabling us to print and mail this newsletter and meet other expenses involved in reaching out to other grieving families (100% of funds are used for this outreach). Donations, along with the name of the person being honored, may be sent to:

The Compassionate Friends of Tyler
P.O. Box 9714
Tyler, Texas 75711

To Our New Members

Coming to your first meeting is the hardest thing to do. But, you have nothing to lose and much to gain. Try not to judge your first meeting as to whether or not TCF will work for you. The second, third or fourth meeting might be the time you will find the right person—or just the right words spoken that will help you in your grief work.

To Our Old Members

We need your encouragement and support. You are the string that ties our group together and the glue that makes it stick. Each meeting we have new parents. Think back—what would it have been like for you if there had not been any “oldies” to welcome you, share your grief and encourage you? It was from them you heard, “Your pain will not always be this bad; it really does get softer.”

Grief Resources

Note: Some resources are based on individual opinion and experience and are not officially endorsed by the organization. The hope is that you may find a grief resource helpful to you and your family. We will continue to build on our resources column. Please let us know of any of your personal recommendations. Thank you.

Compassionate Friends (national home page)

Also offers grief support for **siblings** and **grandparents**
<http://www.compassionatefriends.org>

Children Are A Gift Foundation

<http://www.childrenareagift.com>

GriefShare

<http://www.griefshare.org>

MADD East Texas (Mothers Against Drunk Driving)

<http://www.madd.org/local-offices/tx/east-texas>

Smith County Victim Services Division

<http://www.tdcj.state.tx.us/divisions/vs/counties/smith.html>

The Hospice of East Texas

<http://www.hospiceofeasttexas.org>

The University of Texas at Tyler Psychology and Counseling Training Clinic

Located at the Bethesda Health Clinic
409 W. Ferguson
Tyler, Texas 75702
903-592-2348

Touched by Suicide (local)

<http://www.touchedbysuicideeasttexas.org>

Victim Services Division - Texas Department of Criminal Justice - Online Resource Directory

<http://www.tdcj.state.tx.us/divisions/vs>



Annual Butterfly Release

Our Butterfly Release will be held May 18, 2013 at the First Baptist Church, Tyler south campus. If you would like to help with this beautiful and peaceful event this year, please contact us online (tylertcf.org) or call 903-258-2547.





We need not walk alone.

"The hurt never goes away. We never forget. We never get over it. We don't want to. We hurt so much because we loved so much. But the focus on death and the event fades and the warmth of good memories replaces it."

—Richard Edler

Love Gifts



Dave & Jeanelle Maland donated in memory of Joe Maland and Patrick Bowman

Thanks to the following members who have made a rent donation for our meeting place this month:

Dave & Jeanelle Maland donated in memory of Joe Maland and Patrick Bowman

Merri Walsh in memory of Chris O'Leary
Martha Lewis in memory of Burke

Tina, Johnathan & Heather Loper
in memory of Christopher

Carol & Shane Johnson & Touched By Suicide
in memory of Jared Sheets



Thanks to the following people who make a MONTHLY LOVE GIFT to TCF of Tyler:

Claudette Brown in memory of Terry Wayne

Dale & Phyllis Cavazos in memory of Chad

Sam Smith in memory of Stacey -
use of his office for the Jacksonville meeting

David & Teresa Terrell in memory of Andy -
use of a storage building

Newsletter Submissions

TCF Tyler welcomes all submissions to our newsletter. Send articles, poetry, love messages and scanned photos to: TCF Tyler, 5401 Hollytree Drive, 1204, Tyler, Texas 75703. Or e-mail text and photos to: info@TylerTCF.org; We reserve the right to edit for space and/or content.

Deadline for submissions is the 5th of each month. TCF Chapters may copy articles from this publication provided credit is given to the author and the original source. Errors and Omissions: Please notify us if any of your information is incorrect.

Steering Committee Meeting: If you are interested in participating in our chapter by serving on the steering committee, please plan to attend a steering committee meeting. Anyone who would like to become more involved in TCF and serve on the steering committee is welcome to come! For more information about our next meeting, call 903-258-2547.

Email Addresses: If we do not have your email address or it has changed, please email it to Tina or Pat so that we may email you announcements and updates about TCF of Tyler. Tina's email: lilbluebutterfly6@gmail.com ~ Pat's email: beachbum2201@gmail.com

Visit us online at www.tylertcf.org

Announcements

NOTICE: WE HAVE A NEW MEETING LOCATION for TCF of Tyler:

The meeting in Tyler is held on the third Monday of the month, 6:30 p.m., and **starting in February, will be at our NEW location, 1901 Rickety Lane** in Tyler. For more information, please call 903-258-2547.

Annual Butterfly Release: We hope you'll join us for our next Butterfly Release, May 18, 2013, at the First Baptist Church, Tyler south campus. Contact us if you'd like to help with this event.

Jacksonville TCF Meeting: The meeting in Jacksonville is held on the first Tuesday of the month, 6:30 p.m., at Sam Smith's office, 1401 E. Rusk, Jacksonville. For more information, please email beachbum2201@gmail.com or lilbluebutterfly6@gmail.com, or call 903-258-2547.

Lufkin/Nacogdoches Area TCF Meeting: The meeting for the Lufkin and Nacogdoches area is held on the third Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m., at the Southside Baptist Church, 1615 Tulane Dr. in Lufkin across from the LiveWell Fitness. Contact Bill Ottesen at 936-634-6422 or Lauri Maner at 936-854-2002. You may also email them at CompassionateFriends4lufkinnac@yahoo.com.

The Touched by Suicide meeting is held the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held in the same, **new location as TCF, 1901 Rickety Lane in Tyler**. Anyone who has lost someone they love to suicide is welcome to attend this peer support group. For more info please call 903-330-0678 or visit www.touchedbysuicideeasttexas.org.

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MADD Heart meets 2nd Tuesday of the month at the MADD office, 215 Winchester Dr. Ste., 100, Tyler, TX 75701. For more info call 888-665-6233 or email Melissa at melissa.granberry@madd.org.

General Assembly: Join us each month to assemble the newsletter and mail out cards. We hope to get some new volunteers to help with this monthly project. Call 903-258-2547 for details.

Thank you for your generous donations to TCF of Tyler. These 'love gifts' allow us to provide our local chapter with special events, the TCF Newsletter, our Web site and more!





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"The Compassionate Friends meeting won't make the pain go away, but it is a place where you can honestly and truly believe when someone says, 'I know how you feel.' They mean it and their eyes prove it." —*Janice Lopez*

April Birthdays



Matthew Thomas Crooks
4-17-78 ~ 12-24-03
Son of Sylvia Crooks



Jarren Moser
4-28-00 ~ 5-31-05
Son of Robert & Misty
Hendrickson



Kyle Monroe Foster
4-1-93 ~ 11-1-03
Son of Barbara Foster
& Greg Foster



Jeremy Newman
4-15-80 ~ 1-10-02
Son of Victor &
Margie Newman



Timothy Treadwell
4-1-80 ~ 11-23-04
Son of Tammy
Treadwell



Christopher Loper
4-28-94 ~ 12-21-00
Son of Tina Loper



John Patrick Carnahan
4-17-65 ~ 10-13-03
Son of Rod &
Shirley Carnahan



Leon Wayne Lasiter
4-16-71 ~ 10-27-91
Son of Jim & Pat Lasiter



Brady Bryant
4-30-01 ~ 5-2-01
Son of Windy &
Bradley Bryant



Brian St. Clair
4-24-60 ~ 7-26-97
Son of Janet St. Clair



Tim Cole
4-15-69 ~ 9-15-97
Son of Mary Miller



Kaila McKinsey Payne
4-6-03 ~ 5-28-03
Daughter of Keith Payne



James Permenter
4-2-79 ~ 7-12-09
Son of Shirley Hall



Ricky Edmiston
4-26-90 ~ 6-29-06
Son of Woody &
Barbara Edmiston



James Lee Lary, II
4-20-83 ~ 10-30-05
Son of Elgin L. Lary, Sr.
& Ann Lary



Cheryl Cook
4-25-73 ~ 12-10-02
Daughter of
Connie Graebner



Kathy Robertson
4-23-57 ~ 10-23-01
Daughter of
Carolyn Love



Eric Branch
4-4-90 ~ 1-15-09
Son of Richard &
Tammi Branch



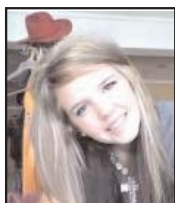
Margie Starkey
4-30-57 ~ 12-3-07
Daughter of
Betty Abbie



Herby Parr
4-19-61 ~ 7-30-09
Son of Sandy &
Herbert Parr



Daniel Wayne Thornton
4-30-69 ~ 9-12-71
Son of Randall &
Sherian Thornton



Cheyenne Ramirez
4-20-93 ~ 10-4-11
Daughter of Jana
Titworth



Cameron Lee Robinson
4-19-96 ~ 11-12-99
Son of Amie Jo
Gibson-Robinson



Derek Nolan Simoneaux
4-7-86 ~ 1-23-12
Son of Carolyn Jo
Simoneaux



Russell McGilvray
4-15-59 ~ 4-29-07
Son of
Fran McGilvray



Isaih Eli Moa
4-19-94 ~ 8-26-06





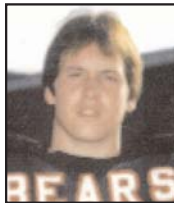
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"That's what Compassionate Friends do—they help to bring our children into our lives even though our children are no longer alive. For a few hours each month, our children return to us." —Annette Mennen Baldwin

April Birthdays Cont.



Allen Price
4-11-77 ~ 3-29-04
Son of Deborah & Floyd Holcomb



Christopher Baggett
4-23-69 ~ 1-8-89
Son of Anita Demby



Joe Maland
4-2-83 ~ 8-17-05
Son of MaryAnn Girard
Son of Dave & Jeanelle Maland



Karrie Voyles
4-15-96 ~ 2-20-11
Daughter of Anthony & Delayne Voyles



Jeremy Kersh
4-30-86 ~ 3-25-07
Son of Brad & Debbie Kersh



Joshua Walker
4-29-83 ~ 6-25-06
Son of Crystal Walker

April Anniversaries



Sarah Harvey
12-12-89 ~ 4-26-04
Daughter of Brian Harvey & Lisa Kirley



Jill Tompkins
11-3-77 ~ 4-24-99
Daughter of Karen Tompkins



Stephanie Carol Hester
5-9-88 ~ 4-2-04
Daughter of Troy & Glenna Nicolls



Bobby Knott
11-6-68 ~ 4-24-83
Son of Bobby & Virginia Knott



James Rowland Allen
12-3-92 ~ 4-10-12
Son of Ken Allen



Brandon Whitfield
11-23-86 ~ 4-23-06
Son of Leslie Whitfield



Shane McDade
2-17-85 ~ 4-12-03
Son of Lajeania Culligan



Jeremy Mark Lawler
10-25-73 ~ 4-19-97
Son of Mark & Sue Lawler



Andy Hall
1-19-66 ~ 4-8-12
Son of Billy & Sue Hall



Sally Snodgrass Ryan
3-5-79 ~ 4-15-00
Daughter of Amy Ryan



Chad Cavazos
9-24-86 ~ 4-20-01
Son of Phyllis & Dale Cavazos



Kody Maner
02-10-87 ~ 04-16-06
Son of Lauri Maner



Quinn Martin Muirhead
8-12-82 ~ 4-30-05
Son of Alice Fiedler



Christal Murphy
8-14-72 ~ 4-22-03
Daughter of Debbie Johnson



Tripp Barton
1-18-08 ~ 4-6-11
Son of Jenifer Barton



Lindsey LeMon
12-20-93 ~ 4-27-10
Daughter of Lisa LeMon



Deanna Holcomb
3-31-73 ~ 4-19-05
Daughter of Pat Smith



Joshua Carl Tucker
5-17-76 ~ 4-15-92
Son of Judy C. Googins



Lindsey Stewart
11-6-87 ~ 4-2-04
Daughter of Stephanie Stewart



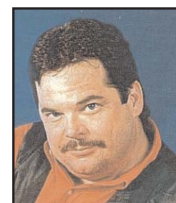
Ron Mitchum
8-3-70 ~ 4-15-00
Son of Glenda Mitchum



Jessica Maureen Nix
10-23-76 ~ 4-19-11
Daughter of Meredith Nix



Charlie Clakley
6-27-77 ~ 4-15-10
Son of Teri Clakley



Russell McGilvray
4-15-59 ~ 4-29-07
Son of Fran McGilvray



Jamye Marie Crawford
3-10-90 ~ 4-12-05
Daughter of Judy & Robbie Crawford

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"Perhaps laughter is also the beginning of Nature's way of mending, of healing us." —*Dave Ziv*

April Anniversaries Cont.



Zackery Browne
12-14-89 ~ 4-13-02
Son of Tim &
Kay Browne



Heath Hopson
12-8-87 ~ 4-23-01
Son of
Karen Hopson



Alexandria Conway
2-29-92 ~ 4-28-10
Daughter of Robert
& Trisha Taylor



Kristi Diaz
11-7-72 ~ 4-7-99
Daughter of
Julie Diaz



Ashley Allison
8-3-82 ~ 4-12-08
Daughter of Roger
& Robin Allison



Shanette Bland
8-9-72 ~ 4-26-94
Daughter of
Clarence Thomas

Helping Grieving Children

By Jodi Rule-Rouse and Linda Ranson Jacobs
www.griefshare.org (reprinted with permission)

Adults play an important role in helping children grieve. Sometimes this might mean someone other than a parent will need to talk with and spend time with the children. Children naturally want to protect their parents, so they may not be open with their own grief. Close family friends and even other relatives can step in and assist the parent in helping the children grieve. The following are tips that a parent or other adult can use to help grieving children.

Conversations and connections.....Talk with them about their loved one. Be specific with good memories. Let children share their feelings and stories. Children may not always have the correct details. Talk about anything and everything. Keep the communication lines open by spending one-on-one time with a child who is grieving.

Communicate.....When discussing the death, explain to the children in simple terms that the person's body has quit working. Use the words "death" and "died" with the children. Steer clear of phrases such as "went to sleep." Since children are literal thinkers, they may be afraid to go to sleep.

Contact.....Appropriate hugs and kisses are a great way to stay in contact. Ask them how they would like to be greeted (e.g., by touching elbows, shoulders, the head or giving a high five.) Respect their rights not to be touched also.

Clown around.....Children need to take breaks in their grieving. In other words, they will not grieve continuously, every day, all day long. Let them laugh and kid around. It's okay to laugh. Laughter releases good endorphins in the brain.

Create.....Let them draw, color, paint or construct their world through blocks and other manipulative items. Make an ornament or a collage. What does my life look like? Who is in it? Who is not?

Carry.....Let them have a photo or a small memento they can carry with them. It helps them feel close. Allow the children to have a loved one's shirt or other article of clothing to sleep in. You can even spray the item with perfume or aftershave lotion that smells like their loved one.

Cope.....Let them journal. It could be in the form of a letter, a daily meditation with God or in a book form. (It's like peeling an onion and getting to the core, their heart.)

Change.....Allow the children to make decisions about day-to-day living (as appropriate.) The children may feel they have more control of the situation when they can make their own decisions. Change is okay. (For instance, the children can help make decisions about holiday plans.)

Center.....Remember the family is the center of your children's world. They need stability. You are it. However, if this is too much for you, then allow other adults to minister to your child. Always be close by so your children do not feel abandoned.

Compose.....Remember your children's world may be in chaos; they need structure (e.g., wake-up times, bed, meal, school, homework and television times.)

Composure.....Don't feel like you always have to be composed. It is okay for the children to see your tears and to feel your pain. Ask your children for a hug on your down days.

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“We have learned to laugh again—to participate in life again. But today, oh today—how sad I felt. How quickly the tears came when my husband said, so sincerely, so quietly, ‘You don’t know how much I miss having someone to throw the football around with . . .’” —*Fay Harden*

Care.....Care for each other. Care for yourself by eating, exercising and sleeping well.

Closeness.....Stay close to your children through daily talks or activities. Turn off the radio, iPod, DVD player or TV and talk or sing and enjoy each other. One of the best places to get a child to talk is in the car.

Cook.....Let them bake a special meal or dessert in memory of their loved one. Invite family and friends to join in.

Celebrate.....Let them go to holiday parties and family get-togethers. Make new memories and new traditions.

Candlelight memorial service.....Let them honor the memory of their loved one.

Compassion.....Let them help those who are less fortunate than themselves. (Get a gift for another child, deliver meals to a less fortunate family or assist at a shelter feeding the homeless.)

Church.....Give them a center of community, a place where they can praise and worship God.

Christ.....Give them hope. A personal relationship with Jesus is the best gift you can give a child. Prayer is beneficial; it helps to de-stress them.

Comfort.....Remember to pray for your children to be comforted. Pray in front of the children and with the children.

Closure.....For children there really is no closure. For the rest of their lives, the loved one will be them. Encourage them to continually remember their loved one and let them know this is okay to do.

We encourage you to find a GriefShare group near you by visiting www.griefshare.org or calling 800-395-5755. At GriefShare you will meet others who know the deep pain of grief and have an understanding of what you are going through.

The Roller Coaster

As a child I enjoyed the thrill of the roller coaster: gliding up the giant track, reaching the top with a momentary anticipation and the thrill of the quick dropping roll to the bottom of the track. The deep turns, first to the right and then to the left were designed to heighten the anticipation of the next climb and drop. In my childhood mind, these curves, climbs and drops were an isolated experience, temporary and fun. The ride would end.

A few months after my son’s death, I dreamed of the roller coaster. But this time it wasn’t fun. It was a nightmare of fear, anxiety and pain; I was so paralyzed that I couldn’t breathe. That dream was the simple symbolism of life since my son died. Now I ride a different sort of roller coaster. The climb to the top is a slow, difficult rise to normalcy. The rapid descent to the bottom is yet another terrible setback. I hang onto the bar of sanity on the curves, first one way, then another. I really want to stop this ride, but it is forever. This ride won’t end.

Today I recalled that roller coaster dream, in all its vivid detail, and I compare it to the roller coaster that is my life now. Are the highs lower and the lows higher? Are the curves softening? Yes, I believe they are. It’s been two years and two months since Todd died. I still weep. Tiny tears still fall unexpectedly. I still have anxiety. I still feel as if the earth has dropped from under me. I still miss talking with my son. I miss seeing him. I ache for that special hug that only my child can give. Yes, I miss my only child very much. My heart has been shattered, my definition of myself has been altered and my loneliness is incomprehensible. But something has changed on the roller coaster of this life.

That something is, of course, me. I work through my grief in many, many ways. I have consciously shifted the paradigms of my life. I have learned to evaluate people from a different perspective. I have become so sensitive to the pain of other parents that I feel it as if it were my own. I have stopped anticipating how I will handle stressful events, anniversaries, birthdays, holidays. I have learned to live without being a part of my grandchildren’s lives. I have learned to keep negative energy and negative people at a far distance. I have learned that a routine provides necessary structure. I have learned to live in the moment, to take joy in simple things, to talk openly about my child’s life and to acknowledge the things I cannot change.

As time moves forward, I will continue to accept what is given and give what I can. I know the roller coaster will level out eventually. For as long as I live, I will keep my child with me, in my heart. That’s all I can do as I ride this changing roller coaster that is now my life.

Written in memory of my son, Todd Mennen ~ Annette Mennen Baldwin, TCF, Katy, TX

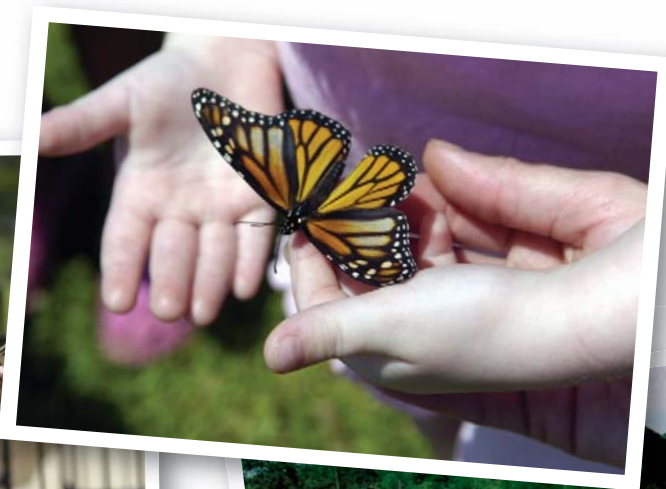


The Compassionate Friends of Tyler Butterfly Release

Release a butterfly for all
children who have died.

Saturday, May 18 at 1:00 p.m.

www.TylerTCF.org • 903-258-2547



**THE
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FRIENDS**

Please join us for our 10th Annual Butterfly Release on May 18 at 1:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church south campus, 17002 Hwy. 69 S., Tyler. Live Monarch butterflies are available for \$10 each. Please contact us at (903) 258-2547 for more information.

Offering Support and Understanding to Families Who Have Experienced the Death of a Child

The Compassionate Friends of Tyler

P.O. Box 9714
Tyler, TX 75711

We are happy to send our newsletter to you. We hope that it is helpful to you to be kept informed of chapter resources and activities and that you still wish to receive our newsletters that contain excellent material relating to grief issues.

To keep our mailing list current, we do ask to hear from you each year making sure that our information is correct and that you still wish to receive our mailings. If we did not hear from you in the last year please indicate any appropriate choices below and return the form to the address at the bottom of this page.

Your Name: _____

Child's Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Birth Date: _____ Death Date: _____ Cause of Death: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Telephone: _____

E-mail: _____

Please check any of following that apply.

Please continue sending the newsletter.

No thank you, I'd prefer to stop receiving the newsletter. (Newsletters are posted monthly on our Web site.)

Please include my child's name and picture in the slide presentation at the Candle Lighting Ceremony.

Please include my child's picture and information on the TCF Tyler Web site. (www.TylerTCF.org)

I am enclosing a memorial to support The Compassionate Friends in the amount of _____
Please make check payable to TCF

In memory of _____

Please use this gift for: TCF Newsletter Butterfly Release Candle Lighting TCF Events

The continuation of this chapter's work depends on donations. If you have not taken the opportunity to give a donation in memory of your child please consider taking this time to give a gift that will help reach out to other newly bereaved parents.

We must have your written permission on file to use your child's name and/or picture in the newsletter, Web site, Candle Lighting Ceremony or any other TCF event. Permission may be withdrawn at any time by written request. This information is used to maintain our Chapter Database. It is confidential and is only utilized for Chapter activities such as the newsletter.

(Signature) Date: _____

Please return completed form to: The Compassionate Friends of Tyler, P.O. Box 9714, Tyler, TX 75711



"I don't think you ever stop giving. I really don't. I think it's an on-going process. And it's not just about being able to write a check. It's being able to touch somebody's life." —Oprah Winfrey



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