The Compassionate Friends

Manhattan Chapter

Supporting Family After a Child Dies

Our next meetings…

Nov 17
Dec 1 Zoom
CandleLighting Dec 13
Dec 15

Manhattan Chapter Newsletter **November/December 2026**

NOV 17TH MEETING—3RD TUESDAY IN-PERSON ONLY

On **the third Tuesday** this month, November 17th.
We have scheduled an on-line meeting for December 1.
It's by far worth the extra effort to come in-person, but we recognize not everyone can.

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IF I HAD ONE MORE DAY

If I had one more day,
my child, to spend with you,
anything you want,
I promise we would do.

If I had one more day,
to see your precious face,
we'd wake up bright and early –
not one moment would we waste.

If I had one more day,
in your sweet voice let me hear,
"I'll love you Mom, forever, and
I'm waiting for you here."

If I had one more day,
I'd beg for another,
because it's the only way to mend
the heart of a grieving mother.

~ **Brenda Taylor**, *TCF, Nashville, TN*

I WILL WAIT FOR YOU

I will wait for you
Though we never had a chance to say goodbye.
Remember me…
When winter snows are falling through a quiet sky.
I'll remember you
when, in our darkest hour,
you held my hand and prayed I wouldn't go –
but a silent voice called out to me:
my time had come, and I had to travel Home…
Since then, I know your life has never been the same.
for I visit you each day:
so many times I've felt your pain;
I've watched you cry;
and I've heard you call my name…
but now, further along life's road I stand
in a timeless world, just beyond your sight.
Waiting for the day when I can take your hand
and bring you across to this Land of Golden Light.
Till then, remember me,
you understand –
and try not to cry.
But if you do:
let your tears fall
for the happiness and the joy we knew.
and for the special love we shared –
for love can never die.
~Stephen O'Brien 1995, TCF UK

TELEPHONE FRIENDS: When you are having the kind of day you feel only another bereaved parent or sibling can understand, we can listen and share with you. Don't hesitate to call our Manhattan Chapter phone for meeting information **(917) 300 3706**. To speak with someone please call one of the following volunteers; Jacquie Mitchell (eves) (347) 414-1780 jacquienytcf@gmail.com and for siblings, Jordon Ferber (917) 837-7752, beatniknudnik@yahoo.com

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THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS MEETINGS are now monthly - in person on the third Tuesday of the month

WE MEET AT 7:00pm—arrive or sign on at 6:45pm

Sept 15 and Oct, 20, 2026, we will be meeting only in person at the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church
55th Street and Fifth Ave (enter at 7 West 55th St.)

The Compassionate Friends is a mutual assistance self-help organization offering friendship and understanding to bereaved parents, grandparents and siblings. We are a group seeking support in our grief or are able to give it. Among us your religion, your race, your politics, your job or social standing are not important. We care about your grief—the tragedy that each of us have shared—and how we can grow through it, not back to the person we were, but to the person we can become.

KEEP GOING

by Edward Guest

When things go wrong, as they sometimes will,
And the road you're trudging seems all uphill,
When the funds are low and the debts are high,
And you want to smile, but you have to sigh,
When care is pressing you down a bit,
Rest if you must, but don't you quit.
Life is queer with its twists and turns,
As every one of us sometimes learns.
And many a failure turns about
When he might have won had he stuck it out.
Don't give up though the pace seems slow,
You may succeed with another blow.
Often the goal is nearer than it seems
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Often the struggler has given up when he
Might have captured the victor's cup,
And he learned too late when the night slipped down,
How close he was to the golden crown.
Success is failure turned inside out,
The silver tint of the clouds of doubt,
And you never can tell how close you are.
It may be near when it seems afar.
So stick to the fight when you're hardest hit.
It's when things seem worst that
You musn't quit.

Published in the Detroit Free Press (March 4,1921).
This poem is now in the public domain.
Presented by **Caroline S. Clauss-Ehlers**, TCF Manhattan

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"I was shocked that I did not die from grief. And I know now that I will not die from it, because I choose not to.

I may run, or shake wildly, or lie paralyzed on the ground for a while, but I will not ultimately succumb.

~ Molly Fumia, "Safe Passage"

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THE FIRST THANKSGIVING

Today is Thanksgiving Lord
And I don't know what to say.
On June fifteenth of this fractured year
you took my son away.
Why should I be giving thanks?
It makes no sense to pray.
If you were listening to my prayers,
you would have let him stay.

I have wonderful friends and relatives Lord.
Still, it's very tough.
I love each and every one of them,
and yet it's not enough.
The pain is unbelievable - it cuts right through my soul.
Although my family helps me cope,
we are no longer whole.

Could you send a sign Lord,
that Heaven does exist?
Is my child at peace in a better place?
not cursed by you but kissed?
If I could give thanks once again,
if I knew he was safe and well,
and in spite of the hole in my broken heart,
survive this endless hell.

~ Madelaine Perri Kasden, TCF, Manhattan, 1995

In loving memory of her son, **Neill Perri**

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Marie's Dignity Memorial Obituary

A remembrance note can be left on the Dignity website.
Marie Levine Obituary - New York, NY

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THANKSGIVING OF LIFE

Only a month after Daniel's death, Thanksgiving arrived full of symbols of plentiful harvest and thankfulness while we felt bereft of everything. We fled to Maryland. There, among the many places around my sister's table, Daniel's empty place stood out less starkly than at home. Love and family pressed around to hold back the despair and the loneliness. Though we could not feel the spirit of Thanksgiving, we did appreciate the support and caring of our family. We marveled that any positive feelings were able to emerge.

Upon our return to New Jersey, we were greeted by a neighbor flushed with surprise and excitement. During our absence, Daniel's dog, Puffy, had given birth to three puppies – in her powder room! Our caring neighbor had served as midwife throughout the night of their birth, alternately crying for the loss of Daniel and laughing with the joy of new life.

That Thanksgiving, eleven years ago, held many special messages for us: messages of love, family, neighbors and giving. Greatest of all was the message of life. Though we went away, we could not flee the holiday or the pain of separation; we could not run from life. It was waiting for us at my sister's. It was waiting for us upon our return. Yet, a long time passed before we could accept living again. Puffy's puppies, however, were a beginning. As they nibbled our fingers or wet on the carpet, they caused us to care about them and their antics. Their damp noses and velvet ears helped us to feel something beyond the pain of Daniel's death. When they grew, they forced us to interact with the community through searching for their adoptive families. We also practiced letting go as each puppy left.

For us, the holidays are again happy occasions for the same reason they were originally difficult. Holidays are days set aside for love, togetherness, sharing and families. The death of a child turns those wonderful aspects of holidays into pain. What we discovered that Thanksgiving is that even with the pain comes the beginning of healing from the love, togetherness, sharing and families that holidays include.

So, change your routine or surroundings this Thanksgiving, but do not try to flee from life. Life is the pathway to recovery. Allow yourself the reassurance of feeling life's healing power this holiday. Happy Thanksgiving!

~ Marcia F. Alig, TCF, Mercer County, NJ

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Books by Marie Levine

First You Die: Learn to Live After the Death of Your Child by Marie Levine

The Tincture of Time: Restoration After the Death of a Child by Marie Levine

Available on thriftbooks.com and Amazon.

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The Compassionate Friends 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 need our families to be there.

Sometimes we must walk alone, taking our memories with us, 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 a responsibility to be strong even when we feel weak.

Yet we can go on because we understand better than many the value of family and the precious gift of life.

Our goal is not to be the forgotten mourners that we are, but to walk together to face tomorrow as the surviving siblings of The Compassionate Friends.

TUESDAYS

TUESDAYS AT 7:00PM

With Jordon Ferber - Sibling Leader

Siblings in the Manhattan Chapter meet every Tuesday of the month and more.

Sign up to get our siblings schedule emails

Click here for exclusive sibling emails

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TCF SIBLING ZOOM MEETINGS

SIB Suicide support - Meets 4th Monday of the month at 9PM Eastern

Meeting with Jordon - Meets Tuesdays at 7PM ET

Grief Book Club - Meets 1st Tuesday at 7:30 PM ET

Write your soul - Meets first & third Wednesday of the month at 7 PM ET

Meeting with Jason - Meets Thursdays at 7PM ET

LGBTQ+ Sibs - Meets 1st & 3rd Thursdays at 9:30PM ET

Sibs that died of addiction – meets 4th Friday at 7PM ET

Canada sib sharing circle - meets 2nd Saturday of the month at 1:00PM ET

Sibs in relationships & partners - Meets 2nd Sunday of the month at 7PM ET

To sign up for TCF SIBS newsletter, visit siblingisland.com

Recommended Reading…. See www.centering.com.

Into The Valley & Out Again by Richard Edler - A father's Journey

Will Our Tears Frever Flow by Ted Wampler - A father's story

Love Never Dies by Sandy Goodman – A mother's journey from loss to love.

First You Die: Learn to Live After the Death of Your Child by Marie Levine

The Tincture of Time: Restoration After the Death of a Child by Marie Levine

When The Bough Breaks by Judith Bernstein, PhD

Empty Cradle, Broken Heart by Deborah Davis – Surviving the Death of Your Baby

This Little While by Joy & Marv Johnson – for parents experiencing death of stillborn or very young infant

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Worldwide Candle Lighting

Sunday, December 13th, 2026

at the

Parish House of the Church of Ascension
12 W.11th Street, Manhattan, NY

Doors open at 5:45pm - Family guests are welcome

PLEASE RSVP and arrive by 6:15pm



REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED

Join us for this moving ceremony and celebration.

Come to remember and honor our children and siblings in person together at our Holiday Candle Lighting.

SEND IN YOUR PHOTOS FOR OUR SLIDESHOW!

Click here and see page 5 for more information.

The Compassionate Friends Credo

We need not walk alone.
We are The Compassionate Friends.
We reach out to each other with love, with understanding, and with hope.

Our children have died at all ages and from many different causes,
but our love for our children 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 and creeds.
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 we feel helpless and see no hope.
Some of us have found our faith to be a source of strength; some of us are struggling to find answers.
Some of us are angry, filled with guilt or deep depression; others radiate an inner peace.

It is pain we will share just as we share the love for our children.

We are all seeking and struggling to build a future for ourselves,
but we are committed to building a future together as we reach out to each other
in love, and 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.

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Online Support from the National Compassionate Friends Website

Live Chats

The Compassionate Friends offers "virtual chapters" through an Online Support Community (live chats). This program was established to encourage connecting and sharing among parents, grandparents, and siblings (over the age of 18) grieving the death of a child. The rooms supply support, encouragement, and friendship. The friendly atmosphere encourages conversation among friends; friends who understand the emotions you're experiencing. There are general bereavement sessions as well as more specific sessions.

Click HERE for more information and a list and schedule of Live Chats.

Private Facebook Groups

The Compassionate Friends offers a variety of Private Facebook Groups. These pages cover a wide range of topics and are moderated by bereaved parents, siblings, or grandparents. They may accessed only after a request to join is approved by a moderator.

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The Compassionate Friends - Worldwide Candle Lighting



We remember... that their light will always shine.
**** Remember - if in person...be sure to bring a framed photo of your loved one to be displayed in the ballroom during the evening.***

Important - take note!
There will be an ongoing slideshow of all our children...

To include your loved one in this beautiful memorial, please email your photos by DECEMBER 10TH to:

photosmtcf@gmail.com

We suggest you send two photos - a young,"sunrise" photo and a "sunset" more recent photo.
Be sure to indicate your child's **full name exactly as you wish it to appear!**

(If you had photos in last year's slideshow, just request to use the same photos for 2026)

IF YOU CANNOT ATTEND IN PERSON: National will have Virtual Candle Lighting. Go to www.compassionatefriends.org.

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All TCF chapters 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 can contribute and support this chapter. Please see 'Making a Contribution' below:

Passing the Basket – *We raise needed funds at each meeting by passing a basket for voluntary contributions at our in-person meetings. We are so glad to hold online meetings whenever possible, but there is no 'basket' at our online meetings. If you are able to, whenever you can as an online participant, please help and make a 'Basket' contribution to help our organization.*

Making a contribution –

Easiest way – online – use a credit card securely with Paypal – Click this link: Please donate here

Or you may mail a check to The Compassionate Friends, c/o Sally Petrick, 945 West End Ave Apt 2B, New York, NY 10025. Please make your check payable to The Compassionate Friends – Manhattan Chapter. We need and appreciate your support.

OUR CHILDREN—*LOVED AND REMEMBERED*

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

11/1 **BRETT DOUGLAS**, brother of Danielle Monaco

11/1 **FLORENCE FRAZER**, sister of Harri Molese

11/1 **LIAM ARDEN**, son of Esther & Patrick Arden

11/1 **OLIVIA LAURA CASTRO**, daughter of Gigi & Robert Castro

11/2 **STEVEN SCHWARTZ**, son of Ellen Schwartz

11/2 **TY PICKETT**, son of Jan Pickett

11/3 **NICK CARIS**, son of Konstantina Caris

11/4 **ASHLEE D. BLAKE GUTIERREZ**, daughter of Marlene & Francisco Guttierrez

11/4 **DMITRI PAJITNOV**, son of Nina Pajitnova

11/4 **ELI BENDER**, son of Sara & Evan Bender

11/4 **KEVIN MITCHELL**, son of Jacquie & John Mitchell, brother of Kristopher & the late Kareem Mitchell

11/4 **MILES ELLIOT COUGHLIN**, son of Fredricka Weinstein & Matthew Coughlin, brother of Marla Tolson, uncle of Lena Tolson

11/4 **TRAVIS FREEMAN**, son of Daniel Freeman & Elizabeth Morse

11/5 **ARIEL GINDEA**, daughter of Geri Gindea, sister of Sophie Schiff

11/5 **PAULA VOLEN**, daughter of Raizy Volen

11/5 **ROSE MAYR**, sister of Anna Mayr

11/6 **BENJAMIN ZWEIG**, son of Sally Petrick & Daniel Zweig

11/7 **KELLI ANNE AULETTA**, daughter of Dick & Mary Auletta, sister of Kimberlee

11/7 **MALIK DUFOR**, son of Waltrina DeFrantz-Dufor

11/7 **MARY GIBBS**, sister of Cynthia Gibbs-Pratt

11/7 **MILO KESSLER**, son of Alana Fishberg & Daryl Kessler

11/7 **NICHOLAS SOTO**, son of Deborah Freeman & Eddie B. Soto, Jr.

11/8 **ADAM WEINER**, son of Susan Weiner

11/8 **DANNY MOONEY, JR.**, son of Danny Mooney

11/8 **TEVIN A. HAMPTON**, son of Patricia Lilly

11/9 **AIMEE GANDOUR**, sister of Molly Gandour

11/9 **CHRISTOPHER ROTH**, brother of Stephanie Roth

11/9 **GERRI SHIMMIN**, sister of Marybeth Bannon

11/9 **ISAIAH WINCH**, son of Jesse Winch, brother of Louisa-Carpenter Winch

11/9 **MICHAEL RAMIREZ**, son of Michele Cennamo

11/9 **SANDRA PLOUFFE**, daughter of Margie & Bram Jelin

11/10 **ALIX LECLAIR**, daughter of Julie Neches, sister of Dom LeClair

11/10 **DONNA MALIZIS**, daughter of Agata Malizis

11/10 **MATTHEW GORDON**, brother of Elizabeth Stilwell

11/10 **MAX JACOBSON**, son of Terry & Hugh Jacobson

11/11 **CONNOR LEE-KAWANISHI**, son of Choony Lee

11/12 **BURTON SANDLES**, son of Ina Sandles

11/12 **GABRIEL HABERER**, son of Leah Haberer

11/12 **HENRY JAY**, brother of Daniel Jay

11/12 **YIANNIS STATHOPOULOS**, son of Kathleen Negri Stathopoulos

11/13 **THOMAS J. MANNO**, son of Elizabeth M. Davey

11/14 **CATHERINE CORENO**, daughter of Carrie Tuhy , sister of Annie Coreno

11/15 **AARON HORWITZ**, son of Allan & Liz Horwitz

11/15 **DYLAN RANDALL**, son of Yenia & Robert Randall

11/15 **JORDAN WEINSTEIN**, daughter of Wendy J. Schriber

11/17 **ADRIAN PURICELLI**, son of Denise Puricelli, brother of Vironika

11/17 **KATHLEEN BEAMER**, sister of Laura Beamer

11/17 **LINCOLN WHEELER-POWELL**, son of John Powell & Britta Wheeler

11/17 **LYLA SKYE MEDICI**, daughter of Mimi Delle Donne, sister of Meghan Matias

11/17 **TREVOR LOUGHLIN**, son of Suzy & Joe Loughlin, brother of Juliette Loughlin

11/18 **JAMILA IRONS-JOHNSON**, daughter of Jeannine Irons

11/18 **LIN GUO**, brother of Sylvia Guo

11/18 **MATT RITTER**, brother of Grace Ritter\

11/19 **CRAIG MARTINEZ**, son of Louis Hampton Martinez

11/19 **SARA CHANGHONG ADAMS**, daughter of Muriel Adams

11/20 **DAVID LESSER**, brother of Debbie Lesser

11/20 **JEFFREY CARTER**, son of Linda Carter

11/21 **JACK ROBERTS**, son of Joanne Wright

11/22 **NICHOA WALKER**, daughter of Mazrene Holmes

11/23 **INSANN LAWLOR**, son of Serena Bhaduri

11/23 **JENNA HERNAN**, daughter of Maria Hernan

11/23 **TERRANCE RICHARDSON**, son of Theresa Richardson, brother of Francina Branch Elysee

11/24 **ARTHUR DUDIN**, son of Stan & Irina Dudin

11/24 **ERIK BANKS**, son of Laurene Buckley

11/26 **ALEXANDER MAXWELL**, son of Deanna & Kent Grant

11/26 **CLARISSA JACKSON**, sister of Jillian Jackson

11/26 **ISABELLA PALMER**, daughter of Alan & Meghan Palmer

11/26 **MARLA SUE COLLAZO**, daughter of Lita & Joe Robinson, sister of Ellyn Robinson Monahan

11/26 **NOEL AMELLIO**, son of Margaret M. Amellio

11/27 **CASEY ACKERMAN**, son of Melissa and Hal Ackerman

11/27 **DANIELLE HYMOWITZ**, daughter of Karen Hymowitz

11/27 **ISABEL XIE**, baby daughter of Denise Chow & Wayne Xie

11/27 **KEVIN DEL ROSARIO**, son of Annaliza del Rosario

11/27 **LUCAS SCOTT**, brother of Erin Scott

11/27 **RED LAYNE**, daughter of Greg & Trillich Layne

11/28 **ALAN ROSENTHAL**, son of Lynne Rosenthal

11/28 **GABRIEL ROCCOFORTE**, son of Judith Weiss

11/28 **SEAN COYLE**, brother of Krista Coyle

11/28 **VYLETTE MOON**, daughter of Jackie Hakiki

11/29 **EVAN FRIEDLANDER**, son of Kathy Friedlander

11/29 **MAMADON JOHNSON**, sister of Djassi Johnson

11/29 **STEVE DAVOREN**, brother of Doug Davoren

11/29 **TREVOR MATTHEWS**, son of Angela Matthews

11/30 **VICTOR "KAI" BROWN-KOLEY**, son of Kari Coley

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NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

11/1 **JUSTIN CRAIG LEDERMAN**, son of Ruth Lederman
11/1 **MATT BEHAN**, brother of Chris Behan
11/1 **OLIVIA LAURA CASTRO**, daughter of Gigi & Robert Castro
11/1 **SHANEIREE DAMES**, daughter of Vivian Richardson
11/1 **SKYLER CAGHLIN**, son of Seana Caghlin, brother of Cassandra Richardson
11/2 **JASON ZAINTZ**, son of Linda Zaintz
11/2 **KRISTEN DUBERRY**, daughter of Michael Duberry
11/3 **VISHAL TUNGARE**, brother of Ajay Tungare
11/4 **ILIA KRASOTINA**, sister of Sofiya Krasotina
11/4 **PARIS CAVIC**, sister of Mel Cavic
11/4 **SETH KAHN**, son of Debbie & Harold Kahn
11/5 **CASSIE WILSON**, sister of Kaylie Wilson
11/5 **GAVIN PESKIN**, son of Leah Peskin
11/5 **RACHEL AUSTER**, daughter of Gail Auster
11/6 **DAVID LESSER**, brother of Debbie Lesser
11/6 **RUSSELL GABAY**, brother of Lori Gabay
11/7 **JACOB PAUL ROBINSON-SWEET**, son of Gail Robinson
11/8 **JAMES GIBBON**, son of James (Jimie) Gibbon
11/9 **ALI SEEDAT**, daughter of Deborah McKinzie
11/9 **QUINDORA PERSUAD**, daughter of Maria Cabassa
11/9 **GABRIEL HABERER**, son of Leah Haberer
11/10 **PARKER KOLTCHAK**, son of Deb Capone
11/10 **STEVEN HOUTERMAN**, son of Awilda Rodriguez Houterman
11/11 **BRENDA CHAPMAN**, daughter of Della Scrugs
11/11 **LINDA GIOVE**, daughter of Arlene Schechter
11/11 **MYLES CHANDLER**, son of Marcia Chandler
11/12 **JON ROMULO**, son of Tocy Friend
11/13 **HENRY JAY**, brother of Daniel Jay
11/13 **MICHAEL AARONSON**, son of Dorothy Aaronson, brother of Robert Aaronson
11/13 **ROBERT CABALES**, son of Susan Cabales
11/14 **VICENTE EDUARDO**, son of Tomasina Eduardo
11/16 **JAY SCHNEIDER**, son of Bonnie Bowes
11/17 **DYLAN LAKER**, son of Claudette Kraus & Robert Laker
11/17 **JASON ELLIS**, son of Michael Ellis
11/17 **MATTHEW NOVAK**, son of Clare Hogan
11/17 **SYDNEY MARTINEZ**, daughter of Fabiola Bello & Alex Martinez
11/18 **CHRISTOPHER MEYER**, brother of Kimberly Meyer
11/18 **KIERNAN BLAKER**, brother of Darby Blaker
11/20 "**SPROUT" WILSON**, son of Elizabeth Minei
11/20 **NOEL AMELLIO**, son of Margaret M. Amellio
11/20 **RORY DAZE CHONG**, son of Pam Chong
11/21 **GEORGE MICHAEL KOTSIS**, son of Doris Kotsis
11/21 **KATHLEEN BEAMER**, sister of Laura Beamer
11/22 **AMIR PRIZANT**, brother of Ayelet Prizant
11/22 **ETHAN WASSERBERGER**, son of Simon & Cynthia Wasserberger
11/24 **CHRISTOPHER EISELE**, son of Kathleen & John Montoya
11/24 **PATRICE WALKER**, daughter of Mazrene Holmes
11/25 **JESSICA REVELEY**, sister of Britt Bonney
11/26 **ALEX REY**, son of Alex and Myrna Rey, brother of Amanda Rey
11/26 **DR. AMY BETH ROSEN**, daughter of Helen Rosen
11/27 **LYRA MANNING**, daughter of Gloria Grayeb
11/28 **RUBY MANE**, daughter of Mohasin Mane
11/29 **BRONWEN PRADT**, daughter of Katherine Pradt
11/29 **KHALIL KNOWLEDGE SMITH**, son of Malazha Wright
11/29 **KOFI A. MENSAH JR.**, son of Rosinah Mensah & the late Samuel A. Mensah, brother of Dr. Kofi A. Mensah, Ph. D
11/30 **GINGER SIMMS**, daughter of Larry Simms & Alison Ho
11/30 **JAMES PATRICK (JIMMY) SINISI**, son of Ann Marie Sinisi
11/30 **JESSE VALENTINE**, son of Joanna Valentine
11/30 **LYDIA WOOD**, daughter of Matt Wood
11/30 **SHIMMER HALL**, daughter of Janine James

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DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

12/1 **CASSIE WILSON**, sister of Kaylie Wilson
12/1 **GLEN FRASER**, son of James Fraser
12/1 **MATEO TASHMAN**, son of William Tashman
12/1 **ROBERT GOODEN**, son of Tonya & Frank Gooden
12/2 **FORREST RYZY-RYSKI**, brother of Sophia Ryzy-Ryski
12/2 **JANIE GONG**, daughter of Alan & Daisy Gong
12/2 **JENNIFER CARGILL**, daughter of Virginia Crosby
12/2 **JESSE GARRETT**, son of Gwen & Sandy Garrett
12/3 **ASHLEY CALAZAN**, daughter of Erica Bonifacio
12/3 **PAULINE FUCHS**, daughter of Carolin Fuchs & Rene Groth
12/3 **YVONNE BURDEN**, sister of Crystal Burden
12/4 **JESSE ARATOW**, son of Susanna Hoffman
12/4 **MEGAN YODER**, sister of Kyle Yoder
12/4 **SETH KAHN**, son of Debbie & Harold Kahn
12/5 **GLENN SPELLER JR.**, son of Glenn Speller Sr.
12/5 **MEGAN SMITH**, daughter of Ann Smith
12/5 **RYAN ELIZABETH CHISHOLM**, daughter of Scott Chisholm
12/6 **AARON BENVENISTE**, grandson of Susan & Richard Rosenbluth
12/6 **DESIRA (Desi) PACUK**, sister of Nikkie Pacuk
12/6 **YEHUDA MILSTEIN**, son of Edith Bayne, brother of Ilana Milstein
12/7 **JOHN BARNES (KOKO)**, son of Hana Barnes
12/7 **RYAN THOMAS**, son of Jacqueline Thomas Kilbane
12/8 **SAMMY COHEN ECKSTEIN**, son of Amy Cohen & Gary Eckstein
12/10 **JONAH HENIG**, son of Abby Henig
12/11 **JAMES PATRICK (Jimmy) SINISI**, son of AnneMarie Sinisi
12/11 **MIKE CHARY**, brother of EllaRose Chary
12/13 **CAMDYN JAYEL DUCKWORTH**, daughter of Tiffany Clark
12/13 **CHRISTINA ROMAN**, daughter of Dalila Oquendo
12/14 **AMELIA (Yannie) CORBETT**, sister of Sara Corbett
12/14 **DUSTIN TUNICK**, son of Jenifer Kelly
12/14 **DYLAN BISCH**, son of Eileen Eck
12/14 **LISA WEINER**, sister of Abby Moller
12/14 **MATTHEW SADI**, son of Sheri & Tzuri Sadi
12/14 **MICHAEL MOUSSA**, son of Mariam Moussa
12/14 **MOLLY (MOLIKA) ASHFORD**, daughter of Sarah Safford
12/15 **BRANDON MYERS**, brother of Rachel Myers
12/15 **HAYLEE LABBAN**, daughter of Penelope Coward
12/15 **THOMAS ROBERTS**, brother of Victoria Roberts-Wierbowski
12/16 **BRENDAN CLAVIN**, son of Nancy Hamma
12/16 **MICHELLE GITTENS**, daughter of Lenise Ballard-Gittens
12/16 **ROBERT GOKARNA**, son of Kamal Gokarna, brother of Kimberly Gokarna
12/16 **WILFRED DelVALLE**, son of Carmen DelValle, brother of Judy DelValle
12/17 **JAMES MONTGOMERY**, son of Denise Montgomery
12/17 **RICKY BATASHOFF**, brother of Dana Stein
12/17 **STEFAN PAKULSKI**, brother of Marek Pakulski
12/18 **DAVID GLASS**, son of Jack & Laura Glass
12/18 **ZIGGY MARTINEZ**, son of Sally Tucker
12/20 **DANIEL O'NEILL TOLEDO**, son of Kathleen O'Neill
12/20 **EUGENE BONACCI**, brother of Meredith Bonacci
12/21 **DAVID ALEXANDER**, brother of Farah Alexander
12/21 **MELISSA AVRIN**, sister of Andrew Avrin
12/22 **JACOB PAUL ROBINSON-SWEET**, son of Gail Robinson
12/22 **MATT BEHAN**, brother of Chris Behan
12/22 **MATTHEW FIDLER**, son of Annette Fidler
12/23 **JON MICHAEL CAMINITI**, son of Charles & Linda Caminiti, brother of Jacqueline Caminiti
12/26 **ETHAN WASSERBERGER**, son of Simon & Cynthia Wasserberger
12/26 **OWEN MULLER** son of Jane K. Muller
12/27 **NORBI MORGENSTEIN**, son of Gary Morgenstein
12/28 **SCOTT LACROIX**, brother of Kendra Lacroix
12/29 **ARTURO LAULO**, brother of Luz Laulo
12/29 **CALEB SANDE**, grandson of Renee & Hervey Sande
12/29 **NASIR NEWSOME**, son of Sharhon Newsome
12/29 **VALDING DURAN**, son of Milagros Bueno
12/30 **ETHAN HOLDER**, son of Beverly Holder
12/30 **MICHAEL McGOVERN**, son of Harri Molese
12/31 **BRIAN BURRELL**, son of Iciline Burrell
12/31 **JOEY HOLLIDAY**, son of Billy & Terry Holliday
12/31 **ROBERT WILLIAMS JR.**, son of Kimberly Hatwood
12/31 **RUSSELL FERBER**, son of David Ferber & Dorothy Jordon, brother of Jordon Ferber
12/31 **WILLIE GWATHMEY**, brother of Katie Gwathmey

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DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

12/1 **ESU MCFADDEN**, son of Ronnie McFadden

12/1 **VERNON KENNEDY**, son of Tressie Kennedy

12/2 **JOEY**, son of Shantel Morrison & Tamara Cantave

12/2 **JONATHAN MOORE**, son of Ron & Ronnie Moore

12/2 **SAVANNAH WIGGINS**, daughter of Dolores Wiggins

12/2 **SUZANNE ZHOU**, sister of Susan Zhou

12/2 **ZOIE BENNETT**, daughter of Zachary Bennett

12/3 **HENRY SZOR**, son of Eva Grin

12/3 **VYLETTE MOON**, daughter of Jackie Hakiki

12/4 **ROBERT PATRICK JENKINS**, son of Barbara Jenkins, brother of Cheryl

12/6 **ALEX HARRY SINGER**, son of Susan & Lewis Singer

12/6 **DYLAN JOSEPH MAIDA**, son of Lisa Burns & Sal Maida

12/7 **DAVID MARTINEZ**, son of Alba Bautista

12/7 **ROSS DEWEES**, son of Chris Dewees

12/8 **DYLAN RANDALL**, son of Yenia & Robert Randall

12/8 **JADEN MAXWELL THOMAS**, son of Louise Thomas, brother of Tanya

12/9 **AREIS GORDON**, son of Joselyn Gordon

12/9 **SHONEN CHAMBERS**, brother of Tiffani Chambers

12/10 **CHRISTOPHER ROTH**, brother of Stephanie Roth

12/10 **JOHN HULWIYA**, brother of Vanessa Hulwiya

12/10 **ZUNILDE (ZUNNY) MARTE**, daughter of Victor Marte

12/11 **HARRY GANDEL**, grandson of Karen & Meyer Gross

12/11 **JONAH HENIG**, son of Abby Henig

12/12 **CALLIE LONG**, daughter of Jackie Long

12/12 **CIANNA L. ALEXANDER**, daughter of Rebecca Harper-Alexander

12/12 **DANNY VOLEN**, brother of Raizy Volen

12/12 **PAULA VOLEN**, daughter of Raizy Volen

12/12 **SHANA DOWDESWELL**, daughter of Laurie & Roger Dowdeswell

12/13 **ALAN MYL** son of Joanne Myl

12/13 **AMBER ASHTON**, daughter of Tom & Eleanor Ashton

12/13 **GEORGE DAVID MARAS**, son of Marilyn Maras

12/14 **DANNY MAZRAANI**, brother of Mona Mazraani

12/14 **JIMMY ARMSTRONG**, brother of Siobhan Armstrong

12/14 **STEVEN STERMAN**, son of Lenore Salazar

12/15 **COLETTE WAINWRIGHT**, sister of Katherine Sall

12/15 **JEFFREY VANCHIRO**, son of Sylvester (Sly) Vanchiro

12/15 **JESSIE MORGAN PEK**, daughter of Karyn Pek

12/15 **JOSE SANFORD**, son of Yolanda Rosado Ortiz & Gloria Perez

12/16 **DARIA NORTON**, daughter of Charlotte Savino & Lee Norton

12/18 **ALEX BIBLER**, son of Lindsay Bibler

12/18 **ARON LINDELL**, son of Julie Lindell

12/18 **CHRISTOPHER DOMBROWSKI**, brother of William & Brianne Dombrowski

12/18 **DESTINI DOYLE**, daughter of Annette & Kendall Doyle

12/18 **EMILIO ACOSTA**, son of Claudia Gutierrez & Ildefonso Acosta

12/18 **IKELL SPEARMAN**, son of Netta Spearman

12/19 **JOEL MALDONADO**, son of Alisha Murzi, grandson of Evelyn Murzi

12/19 **JOSHUA ROBERT ESFORMES**, son of Susan Esformes, brother of Jacob

12/19 **JUSTIN ALMON** brother of Kristina Adam

12/19 **ROBERT RODRIGUEZ**, son of Caroline Linares

12/20 **TATE RAMSDEN**, brother of Ashley Ramsden

12/20 **TROY O. MEYERS** son of Claudette Hannibal

12/21 **ANTONIO "TONY" THOMPSON**, son of Altagracia Fajardo

12/21 **BAYLIN CODDINGTON**, son of Debra F. Coddington

12/21 **CAITLIN SANDERS**, daughter of Veronica & Lamar Sanders

12/21 **JUDAH BRYNDAL**, son of Dusty & David Bryndal

12/22 **GREGORY ROTH**, brother of Stephanie Roth

12/22 **TODD C. FIORE**, son of Yvonne Fiore

12/23 **AMANDA RUSSELL**, sister of Katie Turner

12/23 **QUENTIN MUNDY**, son of Terri Mundy

12/24 **ADAM AZZOLI**, son of Amanda Azzoli

12/24 **DANIEL O'NEILL TOLEDO**, son of Kathleen O'Neill

12/24 **MONTE JONATHAN GOLLUB** son of Ellie Gollub

12/24 **RENZO SCHNIPPER**, son of Matthew Schnipper and Marla Farina

12/24 **RICHARD CONLEY**, son of Phyllis Conley

12/25 **CHARLIE SINISI**, son of Ann Marie Sinisi, brother of Kelly and Dawn and the late Jimmy Sinisi

12/25 **CHRISTINA ROMAN**, daughter of Dalila Oquendo

12/25 **DAVID LANG BAREK**, son of Peggy Lang

12/25 **JOHN DANFORTH**, brother of Roger Danforth

12/25 **LILY, SARAH & GRACE BADGER**, daughters of Madonna Badger and Matt Badger

12/25 **ROBERT SULKOWSKI**, brother of Sarah Sulkowski

12/26 **ASHLEY CALAZAN**, daughter of Erica Bonifacio

12/27 **SAIGIA BRON**, daughter of Florence Layayette

12/27 **SANDRA CHU**, Best friend of Emanuel Veras

12/27 **THOMAS ROBERTS**, brother of Victoria Roberts-Wierbowski

12/28 **ANDY PERSAUD**, son of Dennis Persaud, brother of Andrea Persaud

12/28 **NASIR NEWSOME**, son of Sharhon Newsome

12/29 **PAULINE FUCHS**, daughter of Carolin Fuchs & Rene Groth

12/30 **KELLY ERIN GRAVES** daughter of Gail Graves

12/30 **OLIVER LIEGEY**, son of Viva & Robert Draper

12/31 **IAN BOSIN**, son of Judy Neustadter

12/31 **LIAM ARDEN,** son of Esther and Patrick Arden

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

1/2 **GILLIAN BLACKMAN**, daughter of Rhoda Fish & George Wiseman
1/2 **LAURA LEVIS**, daughter of Georgia & William Levis
1/2 **LUCY GRAVES**, daughter of Edward Graves
1/3 **BRIAN MARC LIPTON**, son of Nancy & Charles Lipton
1/3 **WILLIAM (BILLY) SMEAL**, nephew of Amanda Smeal
1/5 **BENJAMIN TELUSHKIN**, son of Joseph & Dvorah Telushkin
1/5 **MICHAEL MOSS**, son of Michaela & Bob Moss
1/5 **NOELLE QUARANTA**, sister of Meredith Bonacci
1/5 **RUTH DOUGHTY**, sister of Louise Doughty
1/7 **CAMERON NICHOLLS**, son of Stephanie Moore Nicholls
1/7 **JAQUELINE AHERN**, niece of Nan Ahern
1/7 **OSCAR JOAQUIN**, son of Dru Levasseur
1/8 **CHRISTINE EBERT**, daughter of Judy & John Ebert
1/8 **ELLIOT CALVIN COPP**, son of Ariel Marie Pierce & Aaron Copp
1/8 **JENNIFER BLANCHE BYRD**, daughter of Claudia Byrd
1/8 **JOCELYN REED**, daughter of Cynthia Powell
1/9 **JACK BRAUN**, brother of Hannah Braun
1/10 **MICHAEL STEIN**, son of Eric Stein
1/11 **BRYAN KELLY**, son of Sean Kelly
1/11 **JESS ILIAS**, son of Chris Clavelli
1/12 **JOHN MARZANO**, son of Claire Martino
1/12 **JONATHAN MOORE**, son of Ron & Ronnie Moore
1/13 **CHRISTOPHER JAMES ROUCH**, son of Kathy Rouch
1/13 **JOSE SANFORD**, son of Yolanda Rosado Ortiz & Gloria Perez
1/13 **MICHAEL RATH**, son of Kathy Rath
1/14 **ANTHONY SANCHEZ**, son of Deborah Sanchez
1/14 **BRIAN CULLIMORE**, son of Teresa Cullimore
1/14 **CHARLENE ALVAREZ**, daughter of Charlie Alvarez
1/14 **DAVID GIBBS**, son of Ann Gibbs
1/15 **ADAM GERVER**, son of Howie Gerver
1/15 **ARA DYMOND**, son of George & Linda Torosian Dymond
1/15 **MARIA CUNARD**, sister of Angela George
1/16 **AMOL VADEHRA**, brother of Mallika Vadehra
1/17 **GABRIEL J. DIERRE**, son of Marie Nicole Rene
1/17 **KIARA KHARPERTIUM**, sister of Devin Kharpertium
1/17 **PAMELA SUE CHAIKEN**, daughter of Sandy & Lionel Chaiken, sister of Stephanie
1/17 **PHILIP SULZER**, son of Barbara & Burton Sulzer, brother of Lisa
1/18 **STEPHANIE GUBIN**, daughter of Rita Mittman
1/19 **LUKE NIGHSWANDER**, son of Matthew Nighswander
1/19 **VINCENT MONACO**, brother of Charles Monaco
1/20 **JONATHAN TARA**, son of John & Mary Tara
1/21 **CHARLIE CAMPDERRICH**, son of Jody Campderrich
1/21 **LISA WEBB**, sister of Janine Clancy
1/21 **YVONNE LAURICE AJAKIE**, daughter of Evelyn Rabi
1/22 **KEITH DANIEL**, son of Linda Daniel Finer
1/22 **SILAS RIZVI**, son of Dolly Wicks & Ali Risvi
1/23 **ADRIAN V. ROSAS**, son of Alejandra & Adriano Rosas
1/24 **ALEX KNEPPER**, son of Lisa & Emanuel Psyhojos
1/24 **ERIC ROSENBERG**, son of Sharon Rosenberg
1/24 **LATASHA ALCANTARA**, daughter of Anita Guy-Martin
1/24 **MICHAEL AARONSON**, son of Dorothy Aaronson, brother of Robert Aaronson
1/25 **ARIELLE ANEY**, daughter of Jenelle & Christopher Aney
1/25 **KELLY ERIN GRAVES**, daughter of Gail Graves
1/26 **DAVID 'JESSE' REISSMAN**, brother of Phil Reissman
1/26 **FRANCISCO JAVIER**, son of Doris Cales
1/26 **SONU ADAMS**, daughter of Una Chaudhuri & Michael Adams, sister of Nathaniel Adams
1/27 **JEFF CARPENTER**, son of Donna Carpenter
1/27 **JOHN THOMAS (TOMMY) VIGORITA**, son of Patricia & Vincent Vigorita
1/27 **ROBBIE LAWRENCE**, son of Keisha Lawrence
1/27 **WILL EARLE**, son of Nancy Earle
1/29 **EREZ KLEIN**, son of Rachel Gordon
1/29 **STEVEN STERMAN**, son of Lenore Salazar
1/30 **JIMMY ARMSTRONG**, brother of Siobhan Armstrong
1/31 **AHREN JUDE KARRAN SINGH**, son of Rondha-Ann Lam
1/31 **ELLIS ZIMMERMAN**, son of Anna Ellis & Benjamin Zimmerman





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1/1 **MATTHEW SADI**, son of Sheri & Tzuri Sadi

1/1 **SCOTT DEMEL**, son of Caren and Marc Demel

1/1 **SIMONE MILLER**, daughter of Josephine Wong & Steve Miller

1/2 **BRADLEY CHAIN**, son of Herbert Cha`in

1/3 **AMIAS**, son of Samantha Diaz, nephew `of Jasmine Burney

1/3 **BARBARA STRAUSS**, sister of Joanne Shapiro

1/3 **PHILIP GOODFRIEND**, son of Debbie Goodfriend

1/3 **STUART MILLER**, son of Nancy Morgan

1/3 **WILLIAM FISHER**, son of Sally A. Fisher

1/4 **BAYYINAH GRAVES**, son of Carmen Souchet

1/4 **JASON KLEIN**, son of Jeanette LaBarb

1/4 **LOUIS DEDAJ**, brother of Victor Dedaj

1/4 **MARK H. IHDE**, son of Linda & Don Ihde

1/4 **ROBBIE LAWRENCE**, son of Keisha Lawrence

1/5 **NOELLE QUARANTA**, sister of Meredith Bonacci

1/6 **ARA DYMOND**, son of George & Linda Torosian Dymond

1/6 **MWESSE MOMBOULI**, son of Merveilles Andzilando

1/7 **JAKE GOLDBERG**, son of Gene Goldberg, brother of Ben Goldberg

1/8 **AVA NASCIMENTO**, granddaughter of Eugenia Nascimento, niece of Laura Jones

1/8 **DAVID MCSWAIN**, brother of Malissa McSwain

1/8 **JASON R. CHIN**, son of China Chin

1/9 **CAROLINE MONTGOMERY**, daughter of Catherine Montgomery

1/10 **ELLIOT CALVIN COPP**, son of Ariel Marie Pierce & Aaron Copp

1/10 **INSANN LAWLOR**, son of Serena Bhaduri

1/11 **ANYA GABRIELA KUPPERSMITH**, daughter of Judith Kuppersmith

1/11 **SAM BERGER**, son of Marla & David Berger

1/12 **CHARLOTTE MILLER**, daughter of Caitlin Felton & Barney Miller, sister of Clara

1/13 **WONDER HAMILTON**, daughter of Gary & Jennifer Hamilton

1/14 **CASEY CRUZ**, daughter of Ibelka Cruz

1/14 **CHRISTOPHER MURPHY**, brother of Nina Murphy

1/16 **SANDY SMITH**, sister of Cindy Smith

1/18 **DAYLE HENRY GRUBER**, son of Hank Henry

1/18 **LISA WEBB**, sister of Janine Clancy

1/19 **JENNA AGULE**, sister of Devon Agule

1/19 **ROBERT GOODEN**, son of Tonya & Frank Gooden

1/20 **ELIZABETH HANAU**, daughter of Marsha Hanau

1/20 **JONAH SHIMANOFF**, son of Eric Shimanoff & Geoffrey Patton

1/22 **CHANDI PYTOWSKI**, daughter of Rosanne Cosentino & Bronek Pytowski

1/22 **MAGGIE GOWELL**, daughter of John & Rosanna Gowell and sister of Jesse

1/22 **MICHAEL RATH**, son of Kathy Rath

1/23 **ALEX WITONSKY**, brother of Ava Witonsky

1/23 **FRANCISCO JAVIER**, son of Doris Cales

1/23 **GIAN PAOLA SANTINI**, son of Joan Santini, brother of Giuliana Reitzfeld

1/23 **HUNTER MARSHAD**, grandson of Erica & Neal Marshad

1/23 **JAMES MONTGOMERY**, son of Denise Montgomery

1/23 **VICTOR CHEN**, son of Vivien Chen

1/24 **JAMILA IRONS-JOHNSON**, daughter of Jeannine Irons

1/24 **RAY RATTRAY**, son of Amy Schrier & Dan Rattray

1/25 **ADAM RAPOPORT**, brother of Lindsay Rapoport

1/25 **ANTHONY SANCHEZ**, son of Deborah Sanchez

1/25 **MEGAN SMITH**, daughter of Ann Smith

1/25 **RICHARD WARNOCK**, son of Claire Warnock, brother of Susan Warnock

1/26 **JULIO BARRERA**, son of Martha Riveira

1/27 **JASMINA ANEMA**, daughter of Theodora Anema

1/27 **TAMEK SKNNER**, son of Tameka Skinner

1/28 **ALEXANDER GOLDIN-KRAUS**, son of Jill Goldin

1/28 **ALEXANDRA DISANTIS**, daughter of Margo & Frank DeSantis

1/28 **MATT RITTER**, brother of Grace Ritter

1/29 **DANIEL SNYDER**, brother of Lisa Snyder

1/29 **JOSIAH BAAWUAH**, son of Porsha & Terry Baawuah

1/29 **VINCENT MONACO**, brother of Charles Monaco

1/30 **CHRISTOPHER KWIK**, brother of Sharon Kwik

1/30 **RICK HOWELL**, brother of Annie Howell

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MON	Parents/Grandparents/Siblings	First time CHAT orientation	General Bereavement Parents/Grandparents/Siblings
TUE		Loss to Substance Related Causes First time CHAT orientation	Bereaved less than 2 yrs Bereaved more than 2 yrs
WED	Parents/Grandparents/Siblings	First time CHAT orientation	General Bereavement Parents/Grandparents/Siblings
THU		No Surviving Children First time CHAT orientation	General Bereavement Parents/Grandparents/Siblings
FRI	General Bereavement Parents/Grandparents/Siblings	Pregnancy/Infant Loss	General Bereavement Parents/Grandparents/Siblings
SAT			General Bereavement Parents/Grandparents/Siblings
SUN		Suicide Loss	General Bereavement Issues Parents/Grandparents/Siblings

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Brookhaven	2nd Friday	(631) 738-0809	Rockland County	3rd Tuesday	(845) 398-9762
Brooklyn	3rd Wednesday	(917) 952-9751	SmithPoint/Mastic	2nd Thursday	(631) 281-9004
Flushing	3rd Friday	(718) 746-5010	Staten Island	2nd & 4th Thurs.	(718) 983-0377
Manhasset	3rd Tuesday	(516) 466-2480	Syosset (Plainview)	3rd Friday	(718) 767-0904
Marine Park, Bklyn	3rd Friday	(718) 605-1545	White Plains	1st Thursday	(914) 381-3389

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24/7 PRIVATE FACEBOOK GROUPS

TCF – Loss of a Child
TCF – Loss of a Stepchild
TCF – Loss of an Only Child/All Your Children
TCF – Multiple Losses
TCF – Daughterless Mothers
TCF – Men in Grief
TCF – Bereaved LGBTQ Parents with Loss of a Child
TCF – Bereaved Parents with Grandchild Visitation Issues
TCF – Loss to Miscarriage or Stillbirth
TCF – Infant and Toddler Loss
TCF – Loss of a Child 4 -12 Years Old
TCF – Loss of a Child 13-19 Years Old
TCF – Loss of an Adult Child
TCF – Loss of a Child with Special Needs
TCF – Loss of a Grandchild
TCF – Grandparents Raising their Grandchildren
TCF – Miscarriage, Stillbirth, Loss of an Infant Grandchild
TCF – Loss to Long-term Illness
TCF – Loss to Cancer
TCF – Loss After Withdrawing Life Support
TCF – Loss to Mental Illness
TCF – Sudden Death
TCF – Loss to Suicide
TCF – Loss to Homicide
TCF – Loss to Substance Related Causes
TCF – Loss to a Drunk/Impaired Driver
TCF – Grieving with Faith and Hope
TCF – Reading Your Way Through Grief

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