# Support Group Meeting Schedule



Due to limited resources, Utah Share only mails out a hard-copy newsletter to parents who experienced a recent loss. For the next edition of the bi-monthly newsletter, visit www.utahshare.org/newsletter to view the online version or download and print off a copy. 1

# BABIES WHO HAVE Touched Our

Learts

Emma Maxine Lemon

March 26, 2015

**Angel Perez Ortiz** 

April 2, 2015

**Tyanna Grace Roberts** 

April 5, 2015

**Jack Cook** 

April 8, 2015

**Michael Lewis Lofton** 

April 9, 2015

**Hyrum Peter Hirst** 

April 10, 2015

Lyla Mary Kohles

April 16, 2015

Matheo Jesus Mena

April 30, 2015

**Baby Darcey** 

May 1, 2015

Max Jackson

May 1, 2015 - May 5, 2015

Morgan Jackson

May 1, 2015 - May 12, 2015

Kenna Coombs

May 6, 2015

**Dale Joshua Wagner** 

May 21, 2015

Allen Walker Kish

May 21, 2015

**Arainah Ellie Ortiz** 

May 27, 2015

Jax Liebelt

June 2, 2015

Calder James Williams

June 5, 2015

**Declan Charles Williams** 

June 5, 2015

**Spencer Berry** 

June 5, 2015

**Dez Jaxson Liebelt** 

June 13, 2015

Josette Willow Nightingale

June 18, 2015

**Allen Perry Rogers** 

June 19, 2015





## Submit Your Logo Design for the Annual Walk to Remember 1

Each year in October Utah Share holds a "Walk to Remember." We are now accepting submissions for the logo for the t-shirts/hoodies.

Please submit designs to: shenara@utahshare.org

For past designs please see photos on our Utah Share Facebook Group. All submissions will be considered. Please submit your design before July 11, 2015. Thanks for all of your support.

We look forward to seeing you in October!

#### THE MOURNER'S CODE

**Ten Self-Compassionate Principles** 

Though you should reach out to others as you journey through grief, you should not feel obligated to accept the unhelpful responses you may receive from some people. You are the one who is grieving, and as such, you have certain "rights" no one should try to take away from you.

The following list is intended both to empower you to heal and to decide how others can and cannot help. This is not to discourage you from reaching out to others for help, but rather to assist you in distinguishing useful responses from hurtful ones.

- 1. You have the right to experience your own unique grief. No one else will grieve in exactly the same way you do. So, when you turn to others for help, don't allow them to tell you what you should or should not be feeling.
- 2. You have the right to talk about your grief. Talking about your grief will help you heal. Seek out others who will allow you to talk as much as you want, as often as you want, about your grief. If at times you don't feel like talking, you also have the right to be silent.
- 3. You have the right to feel a multitude of emotions. Confusion, disorientation, fear, guilt, and relief are just a few of the many emotions you might feel as part of your grief journey. Others may try to tell you that feeling angry, for example, is wrong. Don't take these judgmental responses to heart. Instead, find listeners who will accept your feelings without condition.
- 4. You have the right to be tolerant of your physical and emotional limits. Your feeling of loss and sadness will probably leave you feeling fatigued. Respect what your body and mind are telling you. Get daily rest. Eat well balanced meals. And don't allow others to push you into doing things you don't feel ready to do.
- 5. You have the right to experience "griefbursts." Sometimes, out of nowhere, a powerful surge of grief may overcome you. This can be frightening, but is normal and natural. Find someone who understands and will let you talk it out.
- 6. You have the right to make use of ritual. The funeral ritual does more than acknowledge the death of someone loved. It helps provide you with the support of caring people. More importantly, the funeral is a way for you to mourn. If others tell you the funeral or other healing rituals such as these are silly or unnecessary, don't listen.
- 7. You have the right to embrace your spirituality. If faith is a part of your life, express it in ways that seem appropriate to you. Allow yourself to be around people who understand and support your religious beliefs. If you feel angry at God, find someone to talk with who won't be critical of your feelings of hurt and abandonment.
- 8. You have the right to search for meaning. You may find yourself asking, "Why did he or she die? Why this way? Why now?" Some of your questions may have answers, but some may not. And watch out for the clichéd responses some people may give you. Comments like, "It was Gods will" or "Think of what you still have to be thankful for" are not helpful and you do not have to accept them.
- 9. You have the right to treasure your memories/mementoes. Memories/mementoes are one of the best legacies that exist after the death of someone loved. You will always remember. Instead of ignoring your memories/mementoes, find others with whom you can share them.
- 10. You have the right to move toward your grief and heal. Reconciling your grief will not happen quickly. Remember, grief is a process, not an event. Be patient and tolerant with yourself and avoid people who are impatient and intolerant with you. Neither you nor those around you must forget that the death of someone changes your life forever.

Taken from: Healing A Parent's Grieving Heart, 100 Practical Ideas By Alan D. Wolfelt, PH.D.

# Inspirational Messages

### AN ANGELS KISS

We go through life so often
Not stopping to enjoy the day,
And we take each one for granted
As we travel on our way.

We never stop to measure Anything we just might miss, But if the wind should blow by softly You'll feel an ANGELS KISS.

A kiss that is sent from Heaven A kiss from up above, A kiss that is very special From someone that you love.

For in your pain and sorrow An ANGELS KISS will help you through, This kiss is very private For it is meant for only you.

So when your hearts are heavy
And filled with tears and pain,
And no one can console you
Remember once again.....
About the ones you grieve for
Because you sadly miss
And the gentle breeze you took for granted
Was just........ "AN ANGELS KISS"
By Peggie Bouse

### **FINGERPRINTS**

Your fingerprints are on my heart. Even though I never held your hand you touched me. Even though I never heard you speak you taught me. You taught me about love. You taught me about caring. You taught me about courage. You taught me about faith. You taught me about happiness. You taught me about sorrow You brought me closer to my loved ones. You brought me closer to myself. In the time I cared for you, my how life changed. Never to be the same again. Because of you I know I will somehow be stronger. Because of you I know I will be more prepared for life. All this from tiny fingerprints that touched my heart. Because of this you will live forever in my soul never to be forgotten. I will always love you.

Written by: Tom Krause

You are my child.

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# Birthdays In Memory Of



Aug 3, 2004

Happy Birthday Joseph!!

Chloe Faith Price 7.21.06

Happy Birthday & Angel Day Lynli. Can't believe it's been 11 years, since we said "Hello and Goodbye". Sure do miss you!

> Love Forever and Ever Mom, Dad & Shayli



Aug 18, 2003

Happy Birthday & Angel Day Jake and Jeneh. Its hard to believe that its been 12 years that you crept into our world for such a short time. Not a day goes by that I do not think of you and wonder "what if".

Love Forever & Ever, Mom, Dad & Shayli.

Chloe Faith Price

Dear baby girl.

There's not a day that goes by that I don't miss you.

"And they hold counsel
with the stars
Whose broken branches
show the scars
Of many winds and much of strife.
This is the common law of life."

I hope if I've learned anything from your passing, it's to remember what's important in life. Family, humility, love and compassion. But I'd trade it all just to hold you again.

Love daddy.

6 years ago we held you in our arms and you were etched into our hearts. Thank you for blessing us with six years of motivation to be a little kinder to every heart we meet.

We love you always, Angel Boy. Love, Dad, Mom, Jarom, Michael, Sam, and Luke

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Boedy W Stauffer. August 22, 2014

We love and miss you every day! We can't believe it has been a year since we held you in our arms. Thank you for all you have and continue to teach us. We love you so much!

Love,
Mom, Dad, Bridger
and all your grandparents

Happy 4th Birthday, little E! We love and miss you every day!

Love, Mom, Dad, Carter, Rylee, Asher, and Cooper

Easton Lloyd 7/15/2011

Kabrie Lane McGugin
July 24, 2012
In our arms for a little while
In our hearts forever
Happy 3rd Birthday baby girl
We love you and miss you so very
much

Mommy & Daddy,
Kylie & Kaden

Happy 9th birthday my angel!
It is so hard to think that it's been 9 years since I was able to hold you, kiss you and cuddle you. I miss you so much and not a day goes by that I don't ache to see you again.

They say time heals all wounds,but this is far too deep to be healed but I know you are pulling me through my toughest days and hopefully proud of the things I am doing in your memory.

I love you baby girl. Love, Mommy

My sweet Ayslin,
I wish every day that I could just
hold you again. I wish I could smell
you, feel your soft skin, and kiss
your sweet lips. I wish I knew what
your precious cry sounded like.

No one understands the pain I'm going through right now. No one gets how much I miss you, but I know you do. I have to take it day by day, sometimes minute by minute, just to make it through. I know we will be together again someday, but until then, I'll continue to think of you each and every day.

"If there ever comes a day we can't be together, keep me in your heart, I'll stay there forever."

Fly high baby girl, mommy loves you so much!

# Utah Share would like to thank...

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  - \* Rachael Price donation in memory of Chloe Faith Price \*

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## WELCOME NEW VOLUNTEERS

Utah Share would like to welcome the Kate and Cameron Weaver, Deborah Kroeger, Jessica McGugin, Kelsey Hulse, Tori Lucas and Angie james as new volunteers.

Thank you for your willingness to give back. Our success depends on your dedication and generosity.

We are still looking for more volunteers. If anyone is interested in volunteering, please contact Rachael Price at rachael@utahshare.org \* All volunteers must be 18 months out from their loss. \*



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#### Our Mission

The mission of Share Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support, Inc. is to serve those whose lives are touched by the tragic death of a baby through pregnancy loss, stillbirth or in the first few months of life.

The primary purpose is to provide support toward positive resolution of grief experienced at the time of, or following the death of a baby. This support encompasses emotional, physical, spiritual, and social healing, as well as sustaining the family unit.

The secondary purpose of Share is to provide information, education, and resources on the needs and rights of bereaved parents and siblings. The objective is to aid those in the community, including family, friends, employers, members of the congregation, caregivers, and others in their supportive role.



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