

# THE COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS

STATEN ISLAND CHAPTER

Supporting Family After a Child Dies

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Our meetings take place at the Regina M. McGinn, MD Center, which is located between the Emergency Room and the main building on the second floor. The address is 475 Seaview Avenue SI,NY. The meeting takes place at 7:30 PM on the second and fourth Thursday of the month.

#### **TCF MISSION STATEMENT**

When a child dies, at any age, the family suffers intense pain and may feel hopeless and isolated. The Compassionate Friends provides highly personal comfort, hope, and support to every family experiencing the death of a son or a daughter, a brother or a sister, or a grandchild, and helps others better assist the grieving family.

## Meeting Dates July 9th and 23rd 2020

## SIBLING CORNER

#### NATIONAL COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS OFFICE see above

- You'll notice links throughout the website to our Facebook Page. We hope you will join and thus have the opportunity to interact with other siblings, as well as parents and grandparents who "get" what you're going through.
- Please join our <u>Sounds of the Siblings</u> closed Facebook group to interact with other siblings. Contact Keith Singer of Staten Island TCF

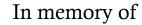
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# WELCOME

## Visit our website at www.sitcf.com

We welcome our newly bereaved friends. We are sorry for the cause that brings you. We know how devastated you are. In order to get full benefit of our meetings, it will be necessary to attend at least three meetings. We offer you unconditional love and understanding as we share with you our love for our children.

# Love Gifts



## William (Bill) Paliotta

(July 7th)1961-2020
It broke my heart to lose you.
You did not go alone,.
For part of me went with you,
The day God called you home.

Love you,

Mom





Telephone Friends
The people listed as
tele-phone friends are
there because they are
bereaved parents and
siblings who have had
been bereaved for a
while and therefore
they have the ability to
"hear" your pain.
These friends are there
to listen. Don't
hesitate to call when
you need to.



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# OUR CH-LORE

# Love Gifts



In Loving Memory of
Patty Bonsignore
My precious Patty "Baby Doll",
Send me more dreams of you.
I wait for them.
Always in me heart.
Mom



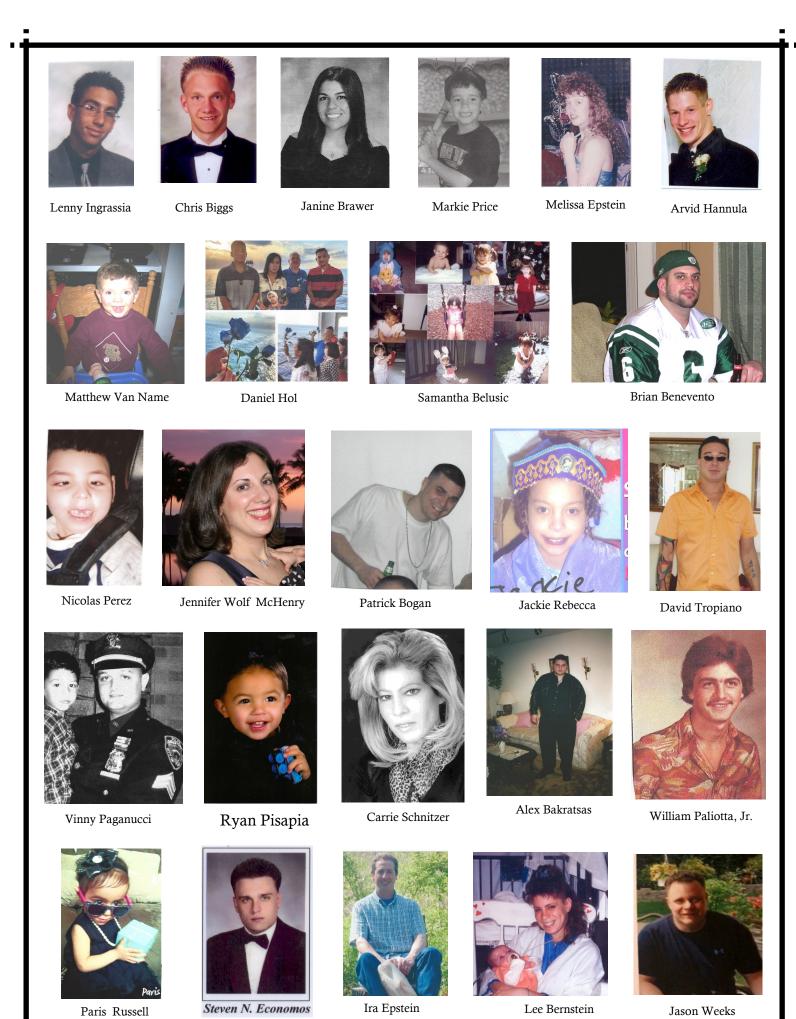
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Hearts of Hope
foundation
for their generous
contribution to TCF
in memory of
Christina Datello



In Loving
Memory Of
Jason Weeks
July 27th

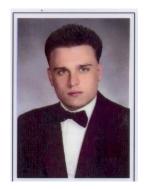
# LOVED AND REMEMBERED

NOTE: Any article that you want to be published during the month of a birthday or anni-versary MUST be place in the month prior to publication. The newsletter will be sent for printing on the 20th of each month.



Lee Bernstein Jason Weeks

## In Loving Memory of STEVEN ECONOMOS



"My son, you are gone now 12 years. At times it doesn't seem real. How can you be gone so long? How am I still living without you? I know one day we'll be togeth-er again, perhaps that is what keeps me go-ing. Our love is one continuous chain, unbro-ken. Until we meet again Steven, I will be praying for you and our family. Loving you forever, Mom."

My son you were so brave. We miss you so much.
With Wounded Spirits, the Frightnrs Rally
Around Their Frontman



From left, Rich Terrana, Preet Patel, Dan Klein, Chuck Patel, February. Credit. Christopher Gregory, The New York Times **By Jim Farber** July 8, 2016

I need to share something here that has bothered me lately...my son died almost 7 years ago and lately I am just tired. Tired of the whole thing, if you can understand that. I don't want to talk about him anymore because of the endlessness it makes me feel, the futility of it...but I am compelled to. Powered by a force within that I seem unable to control. I am so tired of him being gone, but I am also tired of what I feel, tired of the grief, tired of the emptiness that is the hole left in me that is Brian shaped. I am tired of walking away and leaving him at the cemetery, I am tired of posting things on his wall he will never read, and tired of waiting for a response that will never come. I am tired of hurting when a song comes on, and tired of looking at the same photos, and wishing I had taken more, tired of knowing I won't ever see a new one. I am tired of the dragging, never-ending lethargy that is called grief. I am tired of feeling guilty, and then I feel guilty about being tired. I am tired of being the father of a dead child. I just wanted to be a father, period. Not this. damnit, not this!

## Although the fatigue overwhelms us, we sail on!!!

In Loving Memory of

## **Brian Benevento**

Although this was a real experience, Brian assured us that he feels less overwhelmed. In our world, the ebb and flow of feelings is natural.



My beautiful girl. I miss every birthday I can't spend with you. Every year you should have celebrated with us. Every candle you should have blown out. Every wish you should have made. You should have been able to live the rest of your life. You will always be with me. We started out together, after all. I love you so much, my Jennifer

- J Joyful
- **E** Endearing
- N Natural
- N Nurturing
- I Incandescent
- F Funny, fearless, fierce
- E Earth mother
- R Radiant. Your smile lit up your eyes from your beautiful heart and soul.



Time is on my Mind

It has been two and a half years since we lost our Michael.

The journey that we walk is full of hurdles.

I walk on earth I feel the sun / I feel the wind/ I feel the rain/I feel the pain.

There is always a cloud hovering above me.

The shadow of my thoughts.

I hear the birds chirping, and I think how beautiful.

And then I remember my son Michael, and the name evokes tears in my eyes.

I though the time will make it less painful.

But I still did not reach the closure of my wounds.

I still can't control my feelings.

The pain is real, the heartache is strong.

I am trying to live, but only surviving.

With a broken heart

**Tanya** 

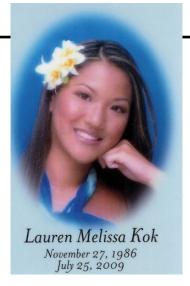


In Loving Memory of Michael Zajac









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Cid	Louis		7/25	
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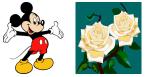












































**July 2020** 

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**PLEASE NOTE:** we would like to know who of our members would like to attend our TFC Picnic and \ or Walk to Remember in the late Summer & early Fall. Please send an email to Michele to let her know your feelings, thank you *see pg 1 for her email address*.

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