The Compassionate Friends

The Compassionate Friends Newsletter c/o Anne Rinaldi-Nonamaker 168 Lake Point Lane Naples, Florida 34112

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Dear Friends: To receive this newsletter by email, which will help us save on the cost of printing and postage, please send an email to me at: <a href="mailto:IAgree2b@comcast.net">IAgree2b@comcast.net</a> On the subject line insert "TCF Email

# TCF meets every first Monday of the month through September Upcoming Monday Meetings: July 2, 2007

August 6, 2007, September 3, 2007

### Wednesday meetings will begin in October October 3rd and 17th / November 7th and 21st / December 5th and 19th

### \*\*\*Welcome and Sharing Begins @ 7:30 PM\*\*\*

### St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church

(in the PLC building behind the church) 625 111th Ave. North, North Naples, FL 34108

At the Immokalee and 41 intersection turn on 111th Ave. (travel toward the beach)

#### Why Butterflies?

Since early times, the butterfly has symbolized renewed life. The caterpillar signifies life here on earth; the cocoon, death; and the butterfly, the emergence of the dead into a new, beautiful and freer existence. Frequently, the butterfly is seen with the word "Nika" which means victory. Elisabeth Kubler-Ross movingly tells of seeing butterflies drawn all over the walls of the children's dormitories in the World War 11 concentration camps. Since Elisabeth believes in the innate intuitiveness of children, she concludes that these children knew their fate and were leaving us a message. Many members of The Compassionate Friends embrace the butterfly, a symbol—a sign of hope to them, that their children are living in another dimension with greater beauty and freedom—a comforting thought to many.

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# Nothing . . . By Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Can make up for the absence Of someone we love—

And it would be wrong To try to find a substitute— We must simply hold out And see it through— That sounds very hard at first But at the same time It is a great consolation— For the gap—as long as It remains unfilled— Preserves the bond Between us—

It is nonsense to say that God fills the gap— But on the contrary Keeps it empty And so helps us to keep alive Our former communion With each other Even at the cost of pain—

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## **Our Children, Loved and Remembered**



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Birthdates		Anniversary Dates	
Miles Doxie Son of Keith and Gail Doxie	7/1/1988	Aaron Grof 7/4/1 Son of Marie Grof	1999
Andy Edds Son of Jeannie & Vance Hart	7/1/1963	In Memeory of: 7/4/2 Son of Sara Steiner (son's name not on ma	2003 aster)
Dennis McSorley Son of Marcie Spencer	7/8/1949	Clint Beatty 7/5/2 Son of Karen Lutgen-Beatty	2002
Gary Tepe Son of Dennis & Jan Tepe	7/12/1963	Lisa Marie Ayers 7/6/1 Daughter of Therese Ayers	1988
Matthew Burks Son of Bernadette & Ken Burks	7/12/1980	Melissa Carolyn Heinly 7/9/2 Daughter of Sharon Matson	1993
Phillip Scott Starling Son of Lynn Connor	7/12/1981	Melanie Babineau 7/9/1 Daughter of Rita Babineau	1998
Tanya Lake Daughter of Elizabeth Lake	7/17/1978	Kevin Edward Branning 7/12/1 Son of MaryAnn Branning-Johnson	1993
Toby Kevin Gable Son of Lisa Gable	7/18/2001	Toby Kevin Gable 7/18/2 Son of Lisa Gable	2001
Jimmy Vanhoy Son of Bob & Louise Vanhoy, brother of Coleman		Nicholas P. Abounader 7/19/1 Son of George Abounader & Joan Freyre	997
Karen Gamble Daughter of Kate Gamble	7/20/1944	Stephanie Ann Reeve 7/21/2 Daughter of Mary Reeve	2003
Rain Lee Schliska Son of Loni Pines	7/20/1975	Rebekah Kosten 7/30/1 Daughter of Dan & Holly Kosten	1999
Rachel Louise Brown Daughter of Susan & Michael Brown	7/23/1997	<b>Our Mission:</b> The mission of The Compassionate Friends is to ass families toward the positive resolution of grief following the death of of any age, and to provide information to help others to be supportive	a child e.
Michael (Skip) Mauri Son of Grace Mauri	7/25/1954	The Compassionate Friends is a national nonprofit, self-help support ganization that offers friendship, understanding, and hope to bereave parents, grandparents, and siblings. There is no religious affiliation at there are no membership dues or fees.	/ed
Mark Cooledge Son of John & Shirley Cooledge	7/26/1954	The secret of TCF's success is simple: As seasoned grievers reach of the newly bereaved, energy that has been directed inward begins to outward and both are helped to heal. Please come, bring your hope a energy, and be a Compassionate Friend to another.	flow

<sup>\*\*</sup>If we inadvertently missed your child's Birthday, Anniversary Date, or any errors, please accept our deepest apologies. Call us at 287-5968 or email IAgree2b@comcast.net to make an immediate correction.

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### Thank you for your Gifts of Love

#### **Loving Listeners**

All donations are gratefully accepted and assist the chapter in its mission to help bereaved families following the loss of a child

Please mail to: Teresa Mitchell 11081 Longshore Way West, Naples, FL 34119

For those times when you need to speak to someone who will listen with understanding and who can offer hope and support from their own process of healing in grief please call us:

Annette Carruli 250-4071 Teresa Walker 353-3215 Anne Rinaldi-Nonamaker 287-5968

### Naples Chapter Newsletter area of local recognition and news ...

# Compassionate Employer Recognition

FLORIDA: 2007

Seminole High School, Sanford

Parents, bring your child's photos and other mementos to the meeting during the child's birthday month. Before the sharing session begins, the families whose children are being honored that month will have a few extra minutes to show their child's things and share their memories of their child. Please come a little early to set up your special table.



For those of you who would like to share your ideas, growth, insight, stories or poems, please submit your material for the newsletter by the 20th of the month. You may email it or, if you prefer, mail it to my address: 168 Lake Point Lane, Naples, FL 34112. Sincerely, Anne Rinaldi-Nonamaker: 239-287-5968

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