



# The Compassionate Friends of Northeast Arkansas

## Supporting Family After a Child Dies

### Healing Hearts Newsletter

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Our next meeting is August 13, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. — 9:00 P.M.

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I still miss you  
As the days and years pass  
I still miss you  
As the pain of grief softens  
I still miss you  
As new memories are made  
I still miss you  
As I smile and laugh  
I still miss you  
Today and everyday  
I still miss you

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~Tanya Lord



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Associate Pastor Pat Graham, LMSW  
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Mariah Bryson, General manager of Zaxby's  
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Thank you all for being on our board!

**The mission of The Compassionate Friends:** *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.*

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### *Note from our Chapter Leader, Toni Baker*

Dear TCF Friends:

Summer is buzzing by. It's been very busy for me so far and will continue for the rest of the summer. Hope you are finding some joy in making more summer memories.



### **THE WILL BE NO JULY MEETING THIS YEAR!!**

Lots of people are on vacation or busy with family. Family is important as we all know, be sure to share time and memories.

Thank all who were at last months meeting and made packets for the funeral homes--I will be completing and delivering them hopefully before I head to Mexico for a month. Appreciate your help!!

August 13th meeting, Nena Burnette will be leading the program. Who would like to bring treats for August meeting--need a volunteer please.

2015 Walk to Remember and Family Picnic will be Saturday, September 12th at Crowley Ridge Park in the Pavilion by the lake. I hope you all make plans to attend. Those who are able to walk around the lake in memory of our loved ones will and be glad to carry names of those who cannot walk. This year instead of t-shirts we will have pin buttons with our loved ones picture on it with 2015 TCF of NEA Walk to Remember on them--\$3 each. Please message me with your loved ones picture you would like to use and buttons will be ready day of event. More info on this event in August newsletter.

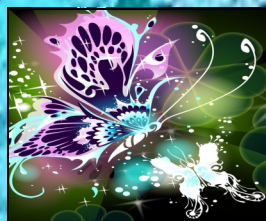
Love and Hugs to each one of you. I will have access to my email, Facebook and messages while in Mexico. If you need to talk, please free to message me. I will see you all in September.

Toni Baker, Chapter Leader

*We'd love to have your feedback!*

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The Compassionate Friends does not espouse any religious ideologies. Southside Community Church has graciously offered the use of it's conference room as a meeting place for our chapter.

Thank You  
Southside Community Church!



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## Upcoming Events:

**JULY**

Because of July being a month that many families go on vacation, we have decided not to have a meeting in July. You can contact Toni or Linda on our facebook page, or call if you need us. Please have a good and safe July!!

**August**

**Regular meeting:** We will have Nena Burnette here in August to lead our meeting. Nena will speak on self-care and survivor guilt.

**September**

Our friends in Walnut Ridge from the Lawrence County Chapter will have their Balloon Release on September 19, 2015. It will be part of the Beatles on the Ridge Annual Celebration. This is a beautiful way to remember our children, and a fun day.

Our own chapter Walk to Remember/ Family Picnic will be held on September 12th at the Crowley Ridge State Park at the large pavilion. This will be our 3rd year for this event and it's always a good time. More information will be posted closer to the date.



### Announcements: *Love gifts and donations*

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Thank you for your donation to help support the work of TCF of NEA. We appreciate you very much!! Love gifts can be given in memory of a loved at anytime. Hugs to you all!!



If you would like to contribute to the newsletter with an original poem or story you've written, or If you wish to stop receiving this newsletter, please contact me at:

[linda@thelenoxfamily.com](mailto:linda@thelenoxfamily.com)

2015 TCF of NEA



Walk to Remember

This is the format of the pins we will have available for sale for our "Walk To Remember" In September. The pins will cost \$3.00 each. Send the picture of your loved one that you want on the pin to Toni Baker, Chapter Leader:  
**Toni Baker,**  
**870-476-6025 or**  
**baker2205@msn.com**

You can also send a picture to Toni on facebook

### Our next 3 Meetings!

August 13, 2015

September 10, 2015

October 8, 2015

### Mark Your Calendars!





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### *Our Children Remembered*

**Cooper Catharine Porter**

**Nathan Kidd**

**Haylee Kidd**

**Nicholas Zurosky**

**Jennifer Cook**

**Timothy Lee Fitzwater**

**Samantha Cook**

**Shane Mathew Fitzwater**

**Jennifer Lee Hancock**

**Aaron Scott Boyer**

**Ashlyn Dunn**

**Aidyn Isaiah Queen**

**Annaya Marie Edwards**

**Shane Palmer**

**Tabitha Marsh**

**Steven Charles Garland**

**Stephanie Sluder**

**Timothy House**

**Julie Ellen Amick**

**Carter Smith**

**Olivia Jurkin**

**Tyler James Tritch**

**Mattie Bryant**

**Terry Brown**

**Shayla Jo Miller**

**Jayden Wilkinson**

**Jasmine Sierra Miller**

**Caiden Billups**

**Betty Luker**

**Blake Howerton**

**Stephanie Morgan**

**Andrew Wayne Myers**

**Rita Tritch**

**Jon David Penn**

**Joanne Hamner**

**Joseph "Chase" Jackson**

**Tyler James Troutt**

**Matthew Russo**

**Brent Hawkins**

**Nathan Swafford**

**Daryl Ponder**

**Billy Ray**

**Noah Spencer Boyd**

**James Clapp**

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### *Our Children Remembered*



**Brian Nelson**

**Richard Petty**

**Michael Dickerson**

**Ryan Bender**

**Bentley Tyler**

**Bobby Hall**

**Joshua Weaver**

**Berry Weyer Jr.**

*If you would like your Child's name  
added to this list, contact me:*

[linda@thelenoxfamily.com](mailto:linda@thelenoxfamily.com)

If you find that there is a mistake in your child's name,  
please contact me.  
I want these precious names to be perfect.



#### **TCF of NEA Telephone or email Friends**

**Toni Baker, 870-476-6025 or [baker2205@msn.com](mailto:baker2205@msn.com)**

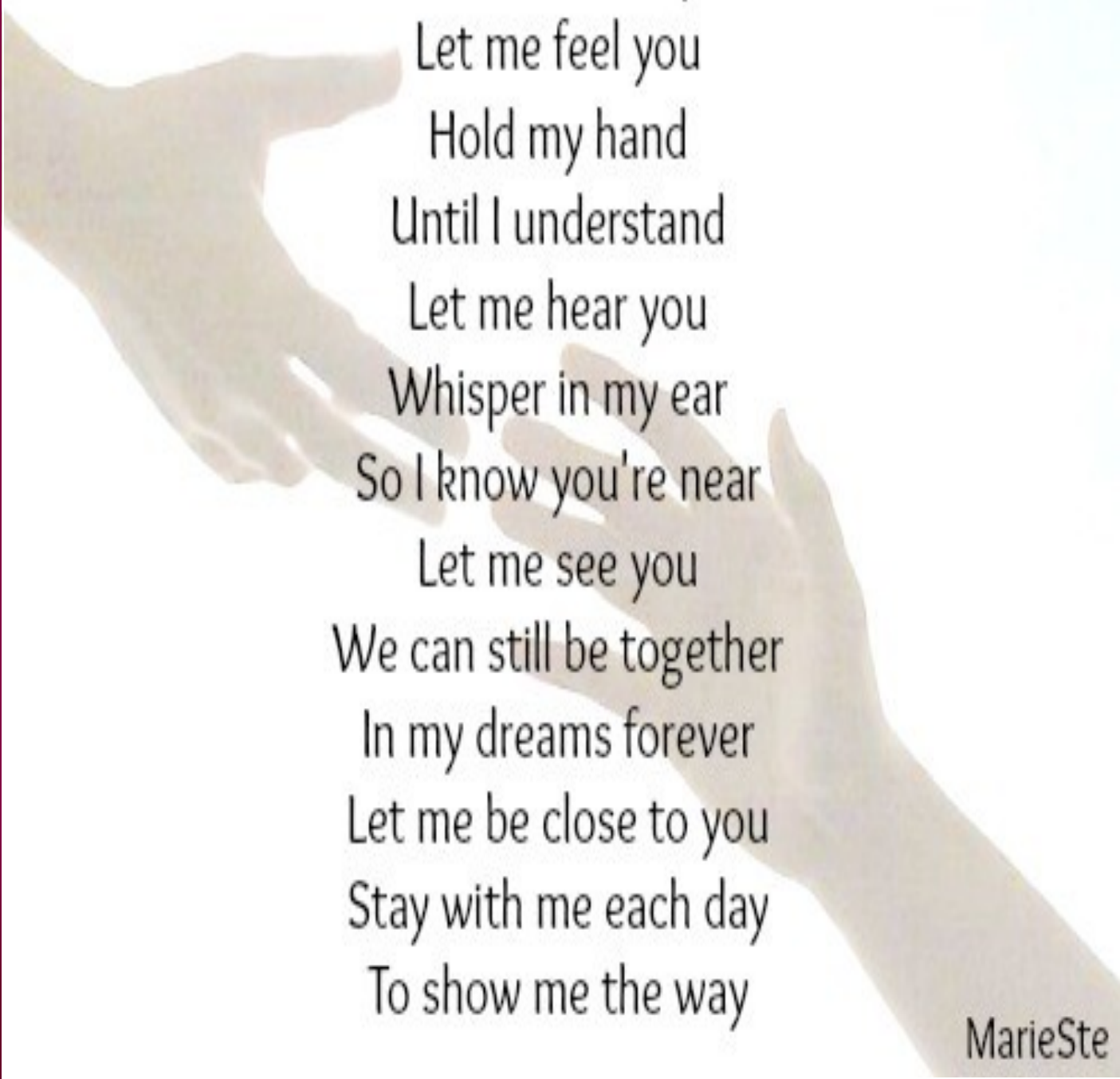
**Toni's son Jayson died in a motorcycle accident.**

**Linda Lenox, 870-573-6920 [orlinda@thelenoxfamily.com](mailto:orlinda@thelenoxfamily.com)**

**Linda's daughter Melissa died in a flooded creek.**

**Jo Cook, 870-249-1290**

**Jo's daughter, Jennifer died in an accident with a train.**



Stay With Me  
If I can't be with you  
Let me feel you  
Hold my hand  
Until I understand  
Let me hear you  
Whisper in my ear  
So I know you're near  
Let me see you  
We can still be together  
In my dreams forever  
Let me be close to you  
Stay with me each day  
To show me the way

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**We truly appreciate your love gifts.**

**The Compassionate Friends of Northeast Arkansas is a support group for those who have experienced the death of a child, grandchild, brother or sister. Parents whose sorrow has softened and who have found fresh hope and strength for living offer friendship, understanding and hope to others through monthly meetings, "telephone friends," a library table, and a newsletter. Attending your first meeting does take courage, but our parents who do attend find a comforting network of support and friendship that only friends who have "been there" can give. **COME JOIN US!!****