

# PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN

FOR THE FAMILIES AND FRIENDS OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED BY VIOLENCE

2021

## GREATER ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER OF POMC

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#### MISSION STATEMENT

POMC® makes the difference through on-going emotional support, education, prevention, advocacy, and awareness.

#### VISION STATEMENT

To provide support and assistance to all survivors of homicide victims while working to create a world free of murder.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Membership is open to those who have been cruelly bereaved by the murder of a loved one. Professionals who are in frequent contact with grieving families are also welcome to join.

## December=Joy

December is a month full of joy, peace, love and thankfulness. The truth is that December does not always bring joy, peace, love and thankfulness to all, for some it brings stress, anxiety, hurt, and a feeling of sadness. The truth is it is ok to feel this way. We are human and have had the unthinkable happen to us. However, through this season remember there was a time it brought you all those warm and fuzzy feelings, try and remember those feeling and put a smile on your loving face. You do deserve to smile.

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“The reality is that you will grieve forever. You will not ‘get over’ the loss of a loved one; you will learn to live with it. You will head and you will rebuild yourself around the loss you have suffered. You will be whole again, but you will never be the same. Nor should you be the same nor would you want to.”

-Elisabeth Kubler-Ross

# ***Always in Our Hearts Happy Heavenly Birthday!***

*Jennifer Leanne Balber  
Traci "Rene" Conrad  
Lisa Ann Tyson  
Robbin Dana Brandley  
Mickey Thompson  
Michael Tapia  
Cheree Osmanhodzic  
Troy Allen Gorena  
Daniel S. Hernandez  
David Franklin Dyer  
Marques Murray  
Devin Luna  
Kylee Caitlin McGowen  
Sammantha A. Salas  
Lena Marie Forbes  
Kenneth N. Gullon  
Tina Regina Williams  
Rick Macias  
Lisa Anne Frost  
Jonathan Muse  
Robin Hoynes  
Jacob Eric Jackson  
Travis Williams  
Dominic T. Redd  
Lori Hughes  
Dax Xenos Gonzalez  
Ronson Joseph Edgerly  
Alan W. Doyle  
Joe Jesse Alvarez  
Courtenay Hoag  
Jose Malacava  
Adrain Ramos  
Thomas Zachary McGaha  
Jose Anthony Malacara  
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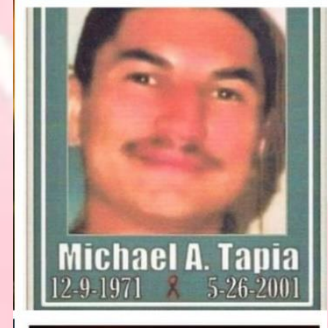
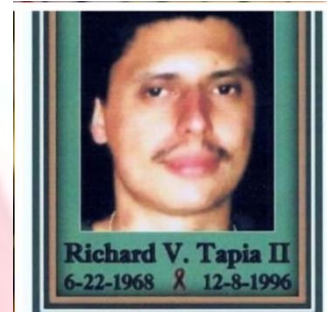
# Forever Remembered Angelversaries



Dean E. Burks  
Esteban Delgado



Devin Luna  
William Pascoe  
Michele Renae Kriezel  
Travis Williams  
Denaya M. Shanks  
Ty Arron Stout  
Richard (Richie) Tapia II  
John Gottlieb Ruby III  
Michael E. Benge  
Kelly Sue Bunting  
Daniel J. Desrosiers  
Steven Kiley Escalera  
Mika C. Bissett  
George Ralph Eden Jr.  
Angela "Angel" Zingarelli  
Jean Richards  
Lori McInroy Curler  
Jason Robinson  
Dylan James Austin  
Barry Clark Cope  
Lisa Marie Weaver  
Andy Bushard  
Emilia Casas  
Nicolas Casas  
Jerome Ludt  
Linda Kay Hesse  
Paul A. Chiriboga  
Christine Lauren Bennett  
Joy Lynn Winchester  
Judah Ann Seelke  
James McGillivray  
Cindy Hardy  
Willaim Pascoe  
Paulus Smit  
Caesar Cruz



Every effort is made to honor all our loved ones on Special dates. They are listed alphabetically and dates are not included in order to protect personal privacy. If you do not see your loved one's name or photo please contact us @ (714)402-3171 email [gocpomc@yahoo.com](mailto:gocpomc@yahoo.com). Please help us be accurate on these lists.



# ***December Announcements and Information***

## **In Person Support Meetings**

Because some of our Chapters are starting in-person support group meetings and want to enforce proof of vaccination to attend we checked with National POMC's attorney. This is her response; "Although the issue of medical and religious exemptions is evolving, at this point I think the support groups can enforce vaccine mandates for in-person meetings." This is assuming there are no applicable state laws outlawing vaccine mandates (like Florida). Check with your Chapter to see if virtual support will also be offered.

## **December Potluck**



Greater Orange County

POMC

Friday December 17, 2021

6pm - 9pm

222 N. East St, Anaheim, CA 92805

Annual Potluck Dinner

Food and Desserts

Bring your loved ones favorite Desserts

Opportunity Drawing

RSVP with your loved ones name

And number of Guests

By December 10

The chapter will be providing the food this year, but we are asking that you please bring your loved ones favorite dessert. If it is cookies or bread please have them individually pre wrapped. As we are complying with COVID guidelines. For our potluck if you are able to donate a gift card or gift item for the raffle it would be greatly appreciated.

## **Board Members**

Chapter Leader- Debra Dizon-Hernandez Email: [Debraus22@gmail.com](mailto:Debraus22@gmail.com) In memory of Jonathan

Secretary: Letty Gutierrez Email: [lettygutierrez2017@gmail.com](mailto:lettygutierrez2017@gmail.com)

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In Memory of Matthew

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In memory of Sarah Glenda Faye Williams-Jenkins [gsmommy@yahoo.com](mailto:gsmommy@yahoo.com) In memory of Quiana & Jan

## **MONTHLY SUPPORT MEETINGS:**

Wednesday December 8, 2021 at 6:30pm. Please come join us. This step in your journey will be one of the toughest. We are here to support you as you go - because we understand. POMC provides the on-going emotional support needed to help families and friends of those who have died by violence facilitate the reconstruction of a "new life" and to promote a healthy resolution. Not only does POMC help survivors deal with their acute grief but also helps with the criminal justice system. LOCATION: ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH (no affiliation) 222 N. East Street Anaheim, CA 92805

## **Yearly Voting**

Please note we have board votes coming up in January. There is also an option to join the board. More information to follow.

## **Need to Talk**

Each person is a board member and bilingual.

Mary Bennet 714-264-2690- Please send text first.

Martha Dewar 714- 306-9166 Letty Gutierrez 714-601-9699

Please be mindful of times as these lines go directly to the members above.

## **Support Greater Orange County**

POMC Donations: When seeking a place to donate monetarily this year please consider a donation to Greater Orange County POMC. Help support GOCPOMC with your Amazon purchases: Amazon Supports GOCPOMC Go to: [smile.amazon.com](https://smile.amazon.com). Select: Greater Orange County Parents of Murdered Children Remember a portion of your purchase is donated to our chapter.

## **National Day of Remembrance**

If your loved one's name was not on the National Day of Remembrance list that was on the website [www.pomc.org](http://www.pomc.org) send an email to [rpati@pomc.org](mailto:rpati@pomc.org) for Ratna to get their name on for next year. POMC only puts names on at the request of the family. We do not add names without the family's permission.

## **2022 POMC National Conference**

### **Parents of Murdered Children National 36<sup>th</sup> Conference!!**

This conference will be held in St. Louis Missouri July-21-24, 2022 at the Sheraton Westport Lakeside Chalet.

The room price is \$115.00 plus tax. There is a free shuttle from the airport to the hotel.

When booking your flight, you fly into the St. Louis Airport (STL). POMC is still looking for anyone who would be interested in working the Hospitality Room at the conference, anyone who likes to sing, and for someone willing to video the conference at a more cost effective cost. If you know anyone or are capable of providing these services please contact Bev @ [bwarnock@pomc.org](mailto:bwarnock@pomc.org).

## National Office POMC Fundraiser

My name is Patty Walters and those of you that have been to the conferences in the last 28 years probably know who I am. I have been thinking of a way to raise money for the National Office of Parents Of Murdered Children for a few years now. I finally came up with doing a cookbook of recipes that our loved one(s) ask us to fix a lot. I am asking that all Chapter Leaders please announce it at your meetings, plus put it in your newsletter so it may reach everyone. I heard a cookbook has been done before, but it must have been before I became a member of this organization. I would like a recipe for each loved one(s) but we will not turn down multiple recipes in different categories. If we do come across multiple recipes only one will be printed but all name(s) who sent in the same recipe will also be acknowledged and their loved one(s) names. This project may take a few years to complete it. My goal is to be able to have them out in 2024 but no later than 2025. Please check your recipes and spelling first when you send them in, since it will help the process go quicker. I will be proofreading them at the end of the process. If I have any questions, I will need a phone number or email address included. Last thing, I do not know at this point how much the books will cost when it is completed, but know I plan to keep the price low. Other than what I mentioned is that all recipes have ingredients that most people already have handy in the kitchen are fairly easy and can be put together quickly like our loved one(s) asked us at the last minute or would wait for it the next day. All recipes must be sent in as soon as possible. I am setting the cut off date for the end of 2022. (Dec. 31st)

If your recipes can already be typed before mailed in, that would truly be appreciated. Otherwise, send them in by email so we can just print them out. This will also help make changes easier.

Start sending your recipes to:

Patty Walters  
1209 Grand Ave.  
Leavenworth, KS 66048

913-704-7080 Or Email: [sweetheaven93@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sweetheaven93@sbcglobal.net)

## GOCPOMC- Location

**GOCPOMC will be removing our meeting location due to the recommendations from national. Please see below:**

For the safety of our members, National is recommending to remove meeting locations from Chapter websites and newsletters that are shared on websites. It is possible it may become a policy at the April National Board meeting. The meeting location may also be removed from the CP/CL directory pages that are sent out to survivors and will be replaced with words "Contact Chapter Leader/Co-Leader for meeting information."

