

# PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN

2021

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

## GREATER ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER OF POMC

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## May = Mother's Love

Once you become a Mother, you form an instant bond with your child. You instantly feel love and an urge to protect your unborn child. Once that child is born, there are no words to explain the love you feel for your child, let alone the lengths you will go through to protect them. When your child is hurt, you hurt. When she/he is confused, we try our best to give the best advice and, when they are happy, we are delighted. The child feels us with happiness and joy. We look forward to being Mothers when it is easy and when it is difficult. As we approach this Mother's Day, know that your child knows how much you loved them and still love them. There is nothing anyone can do to change it. So this Mother's Day, take a moment and remember all the happiness, the joy they provided, and then take a moment to laugh about the headaches they gave you when they had every excuse in the book about why their chores were not done. You were a Mother, and you are still a Mother!

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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.

## THINKING OF YOU



MOTHERS WHO  
HAVE LOST  
CHILDREN



THOSE WHO HAVE  
LOST MOTHERS



THOSE WITH  
STRAINED MOTHER  
RELATIONSHIPS



MOTHERS WITH  
STRAINED CHILD  
RELATIONSHIPS



THOSE WHO HAVE  
CHOSEN NOT TO BE  
MOTHERS



THOSE YEARNING  
TO BE MOTHERS

*Always in our Hearts  
Happy Birthday!*

Sandra K. Albiani  
Tracy Marie Allen  
Arthur "Billy" Boucher

Heather Broadus  
Faye Lavonne Butler  
Alicia M. Chagolla

Nina Chamorro  
Rose Marie Christian  
Pellus Colvin

Eric Lamont Coston  
Sabrina Lynette Crisp  
Mitchell James Curran

Ryan William Dasalla  
Salvador De Avila, Jr.

Michael Lee Decker-Keil  
Pete J. Delano

Samuel R. Desrosiers  
April Michelle Doherty

Sharon Duncan  
Richard Flores, Jr.

Ramon Franco IV  
Terence Unity Frietas  
Christopher Bret Fuit

Henry Garcia  
Steven M. Garcia

Jacob Govia  
Michael Grimm  
Brandon Hanson

John Earl Haymer  
Corteny Hoag  
Kristopher Hubbard

Heidi Hubrecht



Angelo "Eio" Huerta  
Robert Jin  
Cheryl Lynn Joyner  
Hollie Karr  
Angela M. King  
Philip Lawrence  
Douglas M. Lightfoot  
Melvin Liufau  
Blake Donald Lundquist  
Lisa Marie Madrid  
Richard F. Madrid  
Joshua Troy Massengill  
Michael E. Meter  
Franchot Mitchell  
Manuel Joseph Moreno  
Lynel Murray  
Troy Michael Nash  
Officer Mike Osornio  
Jan Overton  
Earnest Pickett, Jr.  
Andrew Powell  
Lisa Lee Pruett  
Eva Diaz Rondon  
Victor P. Rosa III  
Marcia Schafer  
Tracy Lee Stratton  
Kenneth Lanell Turner  
Nikki Ann Tweedt  
Alex Weber  
Wendy Weiker-Gordon  
Ivan Williams  
Neal Williams  
Narissa K. Williams  
Nikita D. Williams  
Scott H. Wilson  
Raul Carbajal

# *Forever Remembered* *Anniversaries*

Ron Acker  
Kristopher P. Alofaituli  
Jeffrey Alvarado  
Steven F. Ambriz  
Denise Leanne Barker  
Andrew Burk  
Guillermo Carbajal  
Melissa Carlson  
Nina Chamorro  
Carl Dan Claes  
Marcos Ian De La Cruz-Cody  
Maxim Dudinov  
Brett Engermann  
Anyssia K. Escamilla  
Mark Richard Fernandez, Jr.  
Joseph Finzel  
Christie Fleming  
Mark Abdul Franklin  
Justin King French  
Christopher Bret Fuit  
Stephanie Lynn Glover  
James Michael Guajardo  
Christopher Hamilton  
Brandon Hanson  
Harold  
Kristopher Hubbard  
Robert Jin  
Antwann Donte Jones  
Cheryl Lynn Joyner  
Bridgett L. Lamon  
Carlesha Unique Renae Lewis  
Jessica Heather Martin  
Richard D. McGann



Ross Arnopp Munday  
Ken Paquette  
Susanmarie "Bunny" Pascale  
Johanna T. Piccirelli  
James Vernon Potter  
Dominic T. Redd  
Manuel Michael Rodriguez, Jr.  
Jose J. Sanchez  
Kevin Shook  
Bryan Anthony Steubing  
Shannon Dale Stevens  
Michael Tapia  
Antonio Torres  
Everett Thomas Tull  
Mary Elizabeth Tull  
Steven Lance Tull  
Armando Eduardo Villagomez  
Chuck Weeks  
Kevin Mitchel Wheel  
Brandon Cody Wiener  
David William Witmer  
Raul Carbajal  
Nayssiak Escamilla  
Brian Anthony  
Frank Menchara  
Matthew Paul Sweeney Wassenaar

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 them in this newsletter, or there is a correction needed, please contact us. (714)402-3171  
email [gocpomc@yahoo.com](mailto:gocpomc@yahoo.com).

Please help us be accurate on these lists.

## *May Announcements*

### **Shout Outs**

Thank you to Charlene who is here in memory of her granddaughter Savannah. Also, thank you to Martha who serves in memory of her daughter Sarah. Martha's birthday wishes were filled by many. They both have supported GOC POMC.

Thank you to all of you who support GOC-POMC.

### **MONTHLY SUPPORT MEETINGS:**

Wednesday May 12, 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

### **Advocate Information:**

Advocates will not be attending support group meetings due to COVID work restrictions and comfort level. Below are a couple of tips from Melissa: \*OC Courts continue to practice social distancing measures and access to attend hearings in person is limited. Check in with the assigned DA/advocate for livestream link or clearance to attend hearings (deputies at the door may not allow you in the courthouse if you are not on a list to attend a hearing). Livestream link provided: <https://www.occourts.org/media-relations/LiveStream.html/> \*If the defendant has already been sentenced and is serving time in state prison ALWAYS give CDCR your current contact information. Due to recent legislation that passed as well as the covid pandemic, some inmates are being released early and notifications will only be given if they have your correct contact info. This can be done electronically on their website: <https://www.cdcr.ca.gov/victim-services/>



**\*\*\*Save the Date\*\*\***

35th ANNUAL POMC CONFERENCE The 35th National Conference for Parents Of Murdered Children will be held in Scottsdale, Arizona on July 15-18, 2021. The hotel rate will be \$119.00 per night plus tax. The hotel is a two story hotel with no elevator so if you have issues with steps please request a 1 st floor room. The theme this year is "As the Sun Shines in the Desert You Shine In My Heart." There is complimentary parking at the hotel. If anyone would like to donate a teddy bear or silent auction item, please send to the following address: 2021 POMC National Conference 7507 E Taylor Road Scottsdale, AZ 85257

It is with a sad heart that I inform you that POMC's dear friend, Jim Allen, passed away on April 8, 2021 after years of living an absolutely courageous and inspirational life while battling cancer. Ruth Cousins Allen is his wife. Ruth has courageously and faithfully been with Jim throughout this journey.

Ruth was our Orange County POMC Chapter Leader for many years in the 1990's into the 2000's. Ruth came to POMC after the brutal murder of her husband, Phil Cousins, March 2, 1994. In 2005, she married Jim Allen. Finding Jim was such a gift to Ruth and to all of us. Jim became a much valued and beloved member of our Greater Orange County POMC Chapter. He shared his musical talent anytime he was asked, and helped with our technical sound set-up for our Candlelight Vigils. He would happily do anything to be of service to us. His positive energy and safe, playful and appropriate attitude gave so much to all of us who came in contact with him. His warm hugs would envelope you in tender support and safety. He would do absolutely anything for us with a glad heart.

What was so amazing to so many of us was how he sincerely would honor Phil's life in such a selfless manner as a support to Ruth and would support the rest of us in our grief. That says so much about a man. He truly was an angel among us . . . as Ruth has been for years as well. There will be a graveside service early in the morning in Coachella, CA on May 17<sup>th</sup>. Please visit Jim's Memory Page for more information: <https://www.fitzhenrywiefels.com/obituaries/James-Joseph-Tejcek?obId=20922615#/obituaryInfo>

Ruth has asked that in lieu of flowers, donations can be made in memory of Jim Allen to the F.I.N.D. Ministry at Ruth's Church. It is a "Food in Need of Distribution" (FIND) program serving those in need of food assistance and has been serving the community since 1995. The program is funded solely by members and friends of St. John's Lutheran.

- St John's Lutheran Church,  
F.I.N.D. Ministry  
42695 Washington St.  
Palm Desert, CA 92211  
In Remembrance of Jim Allen

*Or you can donate online-*

*go to: <https://stjohnslutheran.church/> and click on "Give."*

*- in "apply gift to" please specify F.I.N.D. and in "comments" please mention "in remembrance of Jim Allen."*

Ruth, our thoughts and prayers are with you. You are not forgotten and we love you and we love Jim.

Our monthly support meeting is held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7:30PM

At Zion Lutheran Church, 222 N. East Street, Anaheim, CA  
92805

**From the North:**

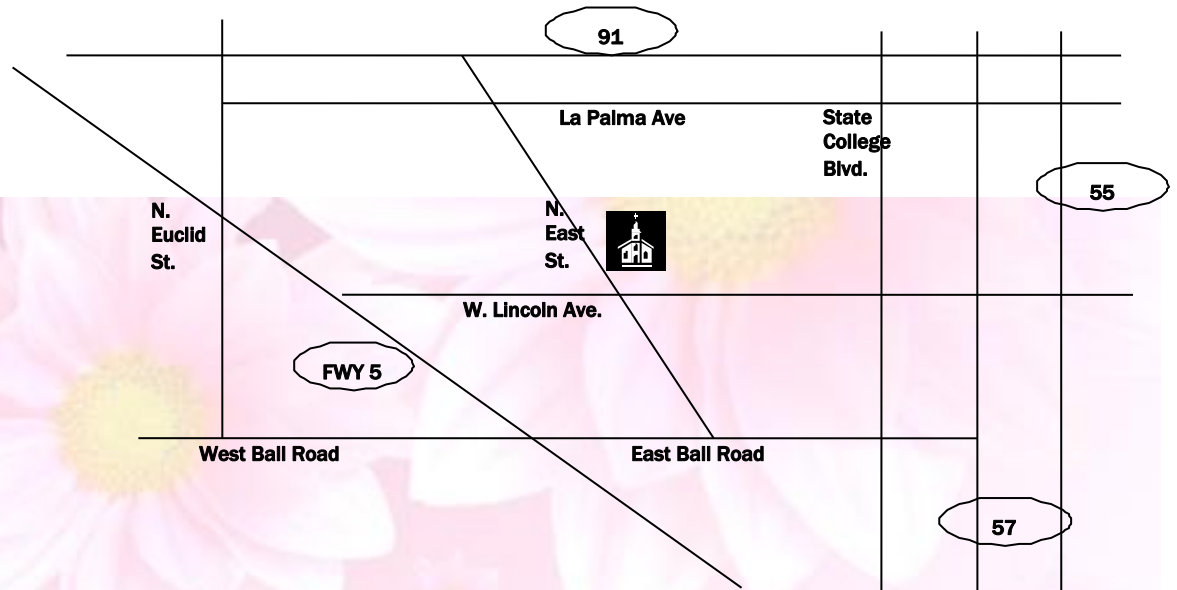
57 FWY, 55 FWY,  
or St. College Bl. South,  
Right on Lincoln Ave.  
Right on East St.

**From the South:**

57 FWY, 55 FWY,  
or St. College Bl., North  
Left on Lincoln Ave.  
Right on East St.

**From the East or West:**

91 FWY  
Exit East St., south



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