



Greater Orange County Chapter of Parents Of Murdered Children

FOR THE FAMILIES & FAMILIES OF THOSE WHO HAVE DIED BY VIOLENCE



May brings us to the end of National Crimes Victims' Week. National Crime Victims' Rights Week is about challenging the Nation to confront and remove barriers to achieving justice for all victims of crime. Debra challenged Orange County Officials to do just that. NCVR began in 1981, that beginning doesn't mean all work was done. There is still more work to be done. How can you continue to challenge your county to confront and remove these barriers in order to bring justice to all? Although this is an exclusive club that you do not want anyone to join, it doesn't mean you don't exist. POMC is a

place where you can safely share your story, emotions, challenges and much more. You need to head and the only way to be heard is to speak up! No one's voice is louder than that of a Parent whose child was murdered, so continue to be their voice.



MAY

2024



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If you'd like to share your favorite memory about your loved one in the monthly newsletter please email gocpomc@yahoo.com. All requests must be received by 6PM on the 25th of the month.

***Always in our Hearts
Happy Heavenly Birthday***

Douglas M. Lightfoot

Salvador De Avila Jr.

Manuel Joseph Moreno

Franchot Mitchell

Ramon Franco IV

Rose Marie Christian

Tracy Lee Stratton

Michael Grimm

Mitchell James Curran

Andrew Powell

Ryan William Dasalla

Heidi Hubrecht

Richard F. Madrid

Eva Diaz Rondon

Angela M. King

Ivan Williams

Troy Micheal Nash

Neal Williams

Arthur "Billy" Boucher

Victor P. Rosa III

Heather Broadus

Wendy Weiker-Gordon

Scott H. Wilson

Christopher Bret Fuit

Terence Unity Frietas

Brandon Hanson

Raul Carbajal

Marcia Schafer

Blake Donald Lundquist

Hollie Karr

Faye Lavonne Butler

Earnest Pickett Jr.

Richard Flores Jr.

Katie Riley

Sarah Furey



Thank you to Anita Sanchez for always sending our Birthday Cards

Forever Remembered Angleversaries

Chuck Weeks

Jeffrey Alvarado

Justin King French

Christopher Hamilton

Mark Richard Fernandez Jr.

David William Witmer

Raul Carbajal

Tony Moran Jr.

Richard D. McGann

Joseph Finzel

Dominic T. Redd

Anyssia K. Escamilla

Kristopher P. Alofaituli

Armando Eduardo Villagomez

Denise Leanne Barker

Jose J. Sanchez

Manuel Michael Rodriguez Jr.

Carl Dan Claes

Antonio Torres

Brandon Hanson

Christopher Bret Fuit

Carlesha Unique Renae Lewis

Shannon Dale Stevens

Ross Arnopp Munday

Steven F. Ambriz

Antwann Donte Jones

Julio Moises Cardoza

Michael Tapia

Johanna T. Piccirelli

Susanmarie "Bunny" Pascale

Marcos Ian De La Cruz-Cody

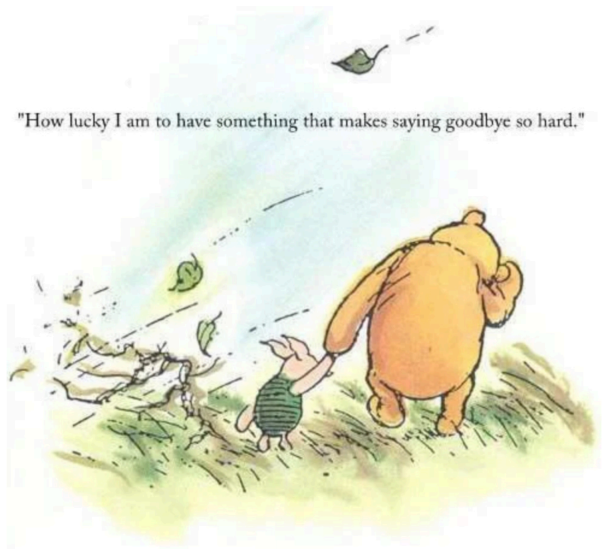
Jose (Benjamin) Salvidres

Bryan Anthony

Robert Brewer

**“You’re braver
than you believe,
stronger than you
seem, and smarter
than you think.”**

WINNIE THE POOH



Thank you to Christine Persall for sending out our Angelversary Cards.

Thank you to Shirley Tapia for answering the hotline

Remembering Our Loved Ones

Attending events in our local cities are powerful ways to remember our loved ones and support one another. Check your local city for events.



Families honoring loved one



Jonathan Dizon

Remembering Our Loved Ones cont...



Sunburst Academy

Support from the Mayor of Brea, Captain Rodriguez of Brea and Captain Manny Arzate Tustin Police Department



Dedicated names



Captain Manny Arzate Dove Release

Remembering Our Loved Ones Cont...

Names dedicated at our 32nd Candlelight Vigil

The Greater Orange County Chapter hopes that the evening was comforting in a small way as we gathered with family and friends. Thank you for allowing us to honor your loved one.

Julio Moises Cardoza 1988-2022

Noah C. Aguilar 2000-2023

Julian Martinez 2005-2022

Logan David Kahmar 2001-2023

Christopher E. Hughes 1989-2013

Pharleyne A. Conde 1999-2020

Anthony Nolan Avalos 2008-2018

Aleyah Elaine Foscano 2003-2019

The candlelight is not possible without the BOARD , donations and volunteers.

If you would like to say something about your loved one in the newsletter please email christinadizon1123@gmail.com. Please note all requests must be received by the 20th of the month to make the following newsletter. Ex: anything received by January 20th will go in February's newsletter.

Announcements and Information

Monthly Support Meetings (May 8, 2024)

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month 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. Call for Location 714-999-7123 Email: gocpomc@yahoo.com

July 2024 National POMC 38th Annual Conference

Date: July 18-21, 2024

Where: Harrah's- 3475 Las Vegas Blvd. South Las Vegas, Nevada 89109

Harrah's Reservations can be booked using:

<https://book.passkey.com/go/SHPOM4>

The phone number for room reservations is 1-800-CAESARS (223-7277)

[Online Conference Registration](#)

The room rate is \$135 per night plus tax and the information is on the website at www.pomc.org. There is also going to be a \$50 per day incidental charge on your credit card but will be reimbursed when you check out if there are no damages. There will be no shuttle service from the airport to the hotel. Also, we have limited number of hotel scholarships available for anyone that is attending. You can get the application on the website www.pomc.org and email it to Bev.bwarnock@pomc.org. Your conference registration must be received prior to or with the scholarship application and can also be found on the website. You must be a survivor and over 18 years old to apply.

The Registration Form and Online Registration are available at www.pomc.org The full Conference Registration Fee provides admission to all workshops, lunch on Friday and Saturday, Memorial Dinner on Friday, Awards Banquet on Saturday, Brunch on Sunday, and a Conference Memorial Book and tote.

New Grief Sessions

At this year's POMC Conference in Las Vegas we will be providing four grief sessions for children (ages 5 - 18) on coping skills that can help them manage their grief. While children are not allowed in other conference workshops, they will be allowed at these sessions designed specifically for them. Sessions this year will include Art, Yoga, Horse, and Dog Therapy. *Please let us know if your children will be attending as we want to help the facilitators know and plan how many supplies to bring for the different activities. You can contact bwarnock@pomc.org if your child will be attending.

Conference Brochure

Conference Memorial Book

The Conference Memorial Book is a keepsake you will cherish for years to come. The booklet contains a detailed Conference agenda and information. The majority of the pages are dedicated to our loved ones as a lasting memorial.

- Donations to dedicate a space for a memorial to your loved one (photos, poems, etc.) are: \$40.00 for a quarter page \$75.00 for a half page \$140.00 for a full page
- Submissions must be received by June 1, 2024 with your Registration Form.
- Please email to natlpomc@pomc.org or mail to POMC, 635 West 7th St, Suite 307, Cincinnati, OH 45203.
- Please clearly print your name, your loved one's name, age, birth and death dates on the back of any photo submitted.
- When sending photos, do not send originals or one-of-a-kind photos.
- Photos will not be returned by mail, but may be picked up at the Conference. Photos not picked up at the Conference will be forwarded to National POMC.
- We do not retain Memorial Book submissions on file therefore, new submissions are required each year.

Grief Retreat (October 11-13)

Grief Retreat will be held on October 11-13, 2024 in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Registration is on the website.

Court Companions

If you are willing and able to attend court with families who are still going through the legal process, please contact Debra Dizon-Hernandez at gocpomc@yahoo.com

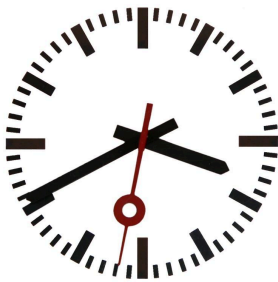
Newsletter

If you would like to add something to the newsletter please email your request to christinadizon1123@gmail.com

Support Greater Orange County

Ways to support your local POMC

-Time



-Monetary Donations



-Join the Board

-Donations of items for events

- Water
- Food
- Gift items
- Tissues
- Decorations for events

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