# PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN

2021

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

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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.

# October=Second Spring

Fall is upon us! Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas are just around the corner. However, let us take some joy in the pumpkins, hot apple cider, warm sweaters, boots and scarves that we will get to wear. Let us find joy in remembering the hectic days that follow this peaceful weather..Finding costumes, buying candy and countless questions about when will you take them to go get the candy. (3)

Anyone who thinks fallen leaves are dead has never watched them dancing on a windy day.

1 know that COVID has taken a toll on many of us, but we do have our court advocates returning, so let us warmly welcome them back.

While we are welcoming our advocates back let's pray for those going to court for upcoming trials. We know the system is flawed and we do not always understand the outcome. 1 know

The we are only in October, but please mark your calendars for our Christmas Potluck,

December 17, 2021. If you would like to help please feel free to contact Debra Dizon-

## Hernandez.





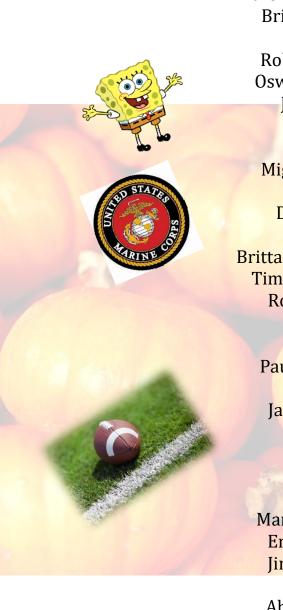
# Always in Our Hearts Happy Heavenly Birthday!



Stacy Brooke Holsonback Linda Young Park **Trudy Thompson** Julian S. Del Campo Joshua Dean Olson **Justin King French Cody Stewart** Paul A. Chiriboga Cesar G. Rodriquez Baby Jo Jade Marc Terrence McCrary Angela "Angel" Zingarelli **Andrew Vicente Ronald R. Robertson Debbie Paulsen Tyce William Riddle** Judah Ann Seelke **Alfredo Pintor** Eric "Hoss" Means Jr. Joy Lynn Winchester Jim Ramos Arthur R. Martinez III **Bob** Nava **Denise Leanne Barker David B. Douglas Shannon Dale Stevens** Michele Renae Kriezel Armando Hernandez **Ross Arnopp Munday** Patricia Dunthorne Michael Brian Ornelas Yolanda Meraz Ginie Ninette Samayoa Jared Smith Nicolas Casas Karl Jeffery Bouvier Manuel Michael Rodriguez Jr.



# Forever Remembered Angelversaries



Anthony Alvarado (Tony) Rios **Brice Carey Dickenson** Karen Spille **Robert Anthony Fierro** Oswald "Ozzy" Conde Jr. Jesse Lyal Aguilar **Quiana** Pietrzak Sgt. Jan Pietrzak **Miguel Angel Gonzalez Steve Sanchez** Danielle L. Monroe Andrea Gonzalez **Brittany Lynn Rethorn-Riggs** Timothy (Tim) McCarthy **Rose Marie Christian** Angela M. King **Ivan Williams** Paul Anthony LoCicero **Frederick Sledge Janis Ann Yamamoto** Terri Lee Beare **Bret Walker Fuit** Michael Palencia **Cody Stewart** Marc Terrence McCrary Eric "Hoss" Means Jr. **Jimmy Wayne Atwell Robin Hoynes** Abel Aldaco Gonzalez **Dennis Harris Roberto Hernandez** 



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 <u>gocpomc@yahoo.com</u>.Please help us be accurate on these lists.

# **October Announcements and Information**

Poem Written by: Shirley Tapia Read by: Lena Gonzalez

My heart is heavy My tears still fall I'm remembering you today but that's not all... I think of you everyday no matter what the day is like I wonder what you would be doing if someone had not taken your life You might be laughing or maybe crying...the emotions we all have BUT you can't...no you CAN'T and I am forever broken hearted and so sad BUT!!!!!along with that I am so angry and MAD..yes MAD!!!

So on this day we pay special remembrance of those that should still be here whose lives were snatched from us for no reason and we forever cry tears... always wanting them home always hoping they are near

So I will reach my hand up to the sky Hoping I can catch you my angel as you fly by







# **Board Members:**

Chapter Leader- Debra Dizon-Hernandez Email: Debraus22@gmail.com In memory of Jonathan Secretary: Letty Gutierrez Email:lettygutierrez2017@gmail.com In memory of Bryan Treasurer: John Maldonado Email: <u>mrjmoldonado@yahoo.com</u> In Memory of Matthew Anita Lewis Email: alewismary@yahoo.com In memory of Mary and Lester Mary Bennet <u>Mebennet4@gmail.com</u>

In memory of Cathy Martha Dewar marthad@roadrunner.com

In memory of Sarah Glenda Faye Williams-Jenkins gsmommy@yahoo.com In memory of Quiana & Jan

# MONTHLY SUPPORT MEETINGS

Wednesday October 13, 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

## Need to Talk:

All are board members 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. Select: Greater Orange County Parents of Murdered Children Remember a portion of your purchase is donated to our chapter.

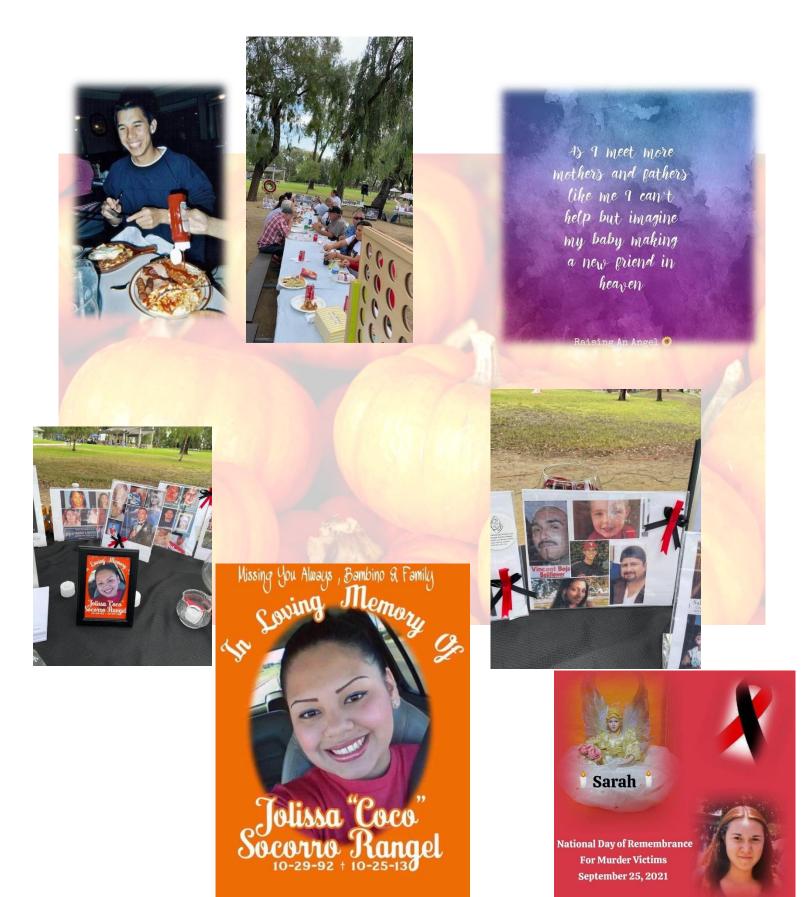
## **National Day of Remembrance**

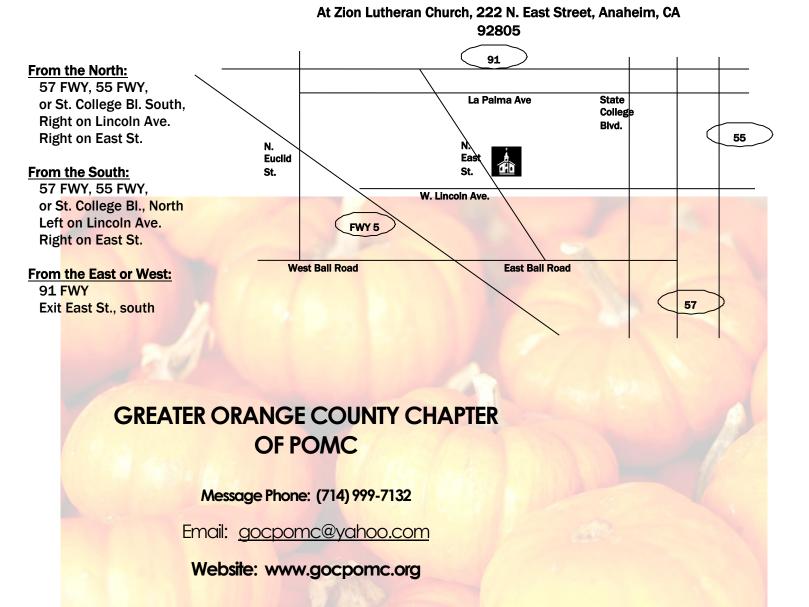
GOCPOMC wants to thank Justice for Homicide Victims and their member for co-hosting this very special day with us. We also would like all who gave generously by gift of time or monetarily.

However, GOCPOMC thanks EVERYONE, because this is only possible because we all came together. If I missed you please charge it to my mind and not my heart. Lastly, I do want to thank Paul Paulson for graciously being our MC.

## **2022 POMC National Conference**

Let us start getting ready for our next conference. This one will be in St. Louis, Missouri. Keep watch for additional information.





Our monthly support meeting is held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30PM