

# ***Resource Center for Victims of Violent Death***



## **STEPPING STONES**



**MAY – JUNE 2013**

*Our mission is to bridge the gaps in the availability of information and resources that impede and discourage victims/families trying to deal with the aftermath of violent death, undetermined deaths, questioned suicides, and attempted murders, by taking one step at a time using the stepping stones we try to provide:*



### **SUPPORT GROUPS**

*In our support group meetings you may share your questions, your answers, your sadness, your joys with others who have also lost a loved one to violent deaths and know what you feel, and perhaps how you can find help.*

*You are welcome to attend.*



### ***Victim to Victim***

*Our victim advocate, Joan Shirley, also recommends another support group for you to consider:*

### **COMPASSIONATE FRIENDS**

*For those who have experienced the death of a child.*

*Call – Joan at 505-238-1663*

### **OUR SUPPORT GROUP DATES IN MAY AND JUNE**

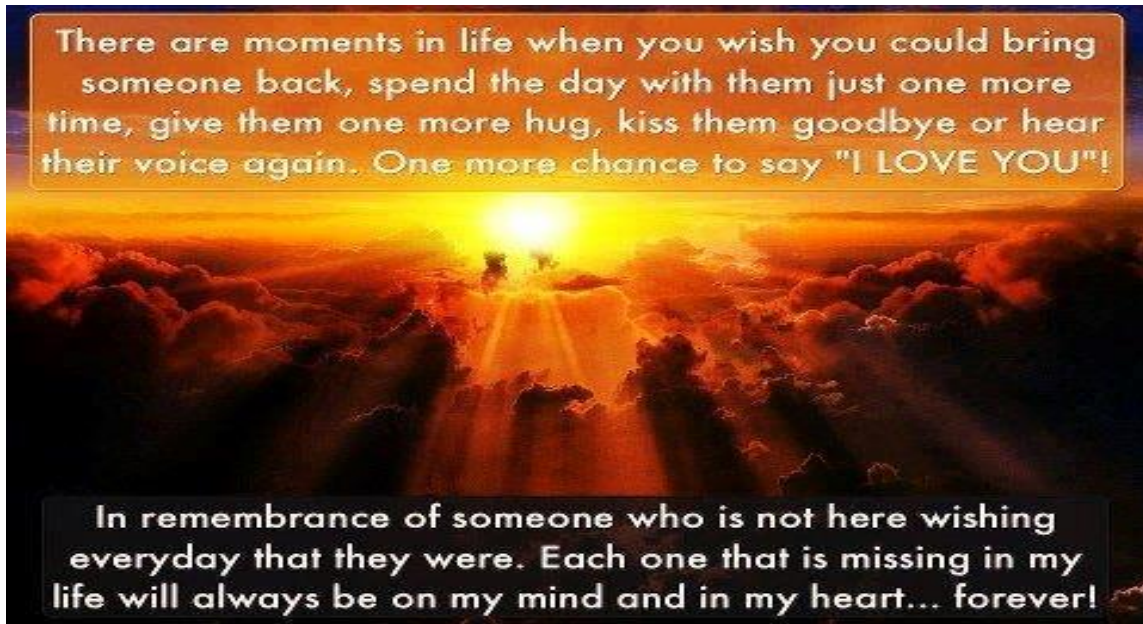
**Afternoon: May 14<sup>th</sup> & June 11<sup>TH</sup> - 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

**Evening: May 15<sup>th</sup> & June 19<sup>th</sup> - 6:00pm - 8:00 pm**

***Come to a group: In May we will remember the mothers who were lost to violence or who lost a child or children to violent death. In June will remember fathers who were lost to violence or how lost a child or children to violent death.***



## REMEMBERING ...



*A remembrance by one mother...* It snowed last night, so this morning I went to the cemetery to sweep the snow from her grave marker. Ice had formed in the letters that spelled her name. When I sat on the ice to melt it, she was mortified. I heard her voice shriek with the sleek, black crows— "Nobody else's mother squats in a grave yard!"

The First Snow by Lois Duncan, after the murder of her daughter, Kaitlyn Arquette

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<p><b>The Atrium Building</b> 10701 Lomas NE, Suite 115 Albuquerque, NM 87112 (just east of Eubank on Lomas)</p> <p><b>Daily drop in hours:</b> <b>Mon – Friday Noon – 3pm</b> Or may call for an individual or after-hours appointment</p> <p><b>Monthly Victim Groups meet:</b> <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesdays from 1pm-3pm</b> <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday from 6pm-8pm</b></p>	<p><b>505-243-2222 &amp; 855- 430-2232</b></p> <p><b>After hours contacts:</b></p> <p><b>Pat Caristo – 505-299-8712</b> Exec Dir./Intake /Case Mgr.</p> <p><b>Joan Shirley 505-238-1663</b> Victim Advocate</p> <p><i>We can set up a conference call so you can join in if you can't get into Albuquerque.</i></p>	<p><b>E-mail: <a href="mailto:pacnia@usa.net">pacnia@usa.net</a></b></p> <p><b>Website:</b> <b><a href="http://www.bridgesforvictimsofviolentdeath.org">www.bridgesforvictimsofviolentdeath.org</a></b></p> <p><b>We are a 501© (3) organization: your donations are tax-deductible.</b> <b>Thank you, in advance.</b></p> <p><small>The Resource Center for Victims of Violent Death receives funding support from NMCVRC (2014-VA-136A)</small></p>