

The Compassionate Friends  
of  
Galveston County



January 2010

The Mission of the Compassionate Friends is to assist families toward the positive resolution of grief following the death of a child of any age and to provide information to help others be supportive.

Support Meetings held on 2nd  
Monday of the Month  
(exception is December)

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Texas City, TX 77592

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*Next Support Meeting*

*January 11, 2010*

*7:00 pm*

at

First United Methodist Church  
317 Fifth Avenue N  
Texas City, TX 77590

National Office: The Compassionate Friends  
PO Box 3696  
Oak Brook, IL 60522-3696  
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[www.compassionatefriends.org](http://www.compassionatefriends.org)

*Special Thanks*

Texas City Terminal Railway  
For all your support of the  
Galveston County Chapter  
The Compassionate Friends

Manning Masonry Co, Inc.  
For the placement of the bricks  
In the Memorial Garden

Anniversaries and birthdays are difficult for bereaved parents. In the days ahead, may we lovingly remember these children and support their families. Your child is listed here only at your request, with a signature on the response form in this newsletter. You need to submit it only once.

# JANUARY REMEMBRANCES

**Elijah Seth Moye**  
January 5th  
Carolee Moye, mother

**O'Neill Pete, Jr.**  
January 8th  
Geneva E Pete, mother

**Bobby Ray Bellah**  
January 12th  
Laura Grabach, mother

**Carl Sefcik**  
January 13th  
Emilie M & Arnold T Sefcik, parents

**Brandon Guillory**  
January 14th  
Paula Guillory, mother

**Duke Garner**  
January 18th  
Ruth Garner, mother

**Raphael Mapps, Jr**  
January 19th  
Shirley Mapps, mother  
Clarinda Mapps, sister

**Brett Ray Brantley**  
January 24th  
Karen Corn, mother

**William Syril Bailey**  
January 24th  
Sidney Bailey, mother

# JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

**Brian Lee Oshel**  
January 6th  
Larry & Bambi Oshel, parents

**Raven Marie Johnston**  
January 8th  
Rachel Johnston, mother

**Carl Sefcik**  
January 9th  
Emilie M & Arnold T Sefcik, parents

**Kevin E Claunch**  
January 11th  
Robert & Bonnie Claunch, parents

**Robert 'Bobby' Lee Klotzman**  
January 13th  
Jack Klotzman, father

**Johnathan Marshall**  
January 15th  
Kim Stout, mother

**Luke Steven Hyatt Esq**  
January 21st  
Keith Hyatt, father

**Rodney Jacob Sterns**  
January 22nd  
Gabby Anne Wood, mother

**Macy Elizabeth Moyers**  
January 25th  
Elizabeth & Donald Moyers, grandparents  
Dawson Moyers, father

**Joe Don Stovall**  
January 28th  
Mary & Jess Stovall, parents

**Alexander Harrison Soto**  
January 29th  
Karla Soto, mother

Please take a few moments to reflect on the children on this page and remember their families. A phone call or a note to the family would be so special and kind. None of us forgets our child's special days and the messages we receive that say "I care", can help us get through them.



Brian Lee Oshel  
1-6-77 to 3-20-04

We Love You Brian,  
Mom & Dad,  
Mammaw & Pappaw,  
Jana & Bryce

### I SHALL REMEMBER YOU

I shall remember you for as long  
As there are fields of snow  
And there are flowers in the ground  
With strength to grow.  
As long as there are stars above  
And moonbeams on the sea,  
And just as long as there are songs  
Of love and memory.  
I shall remember you today  
And dream of you tonight,  
And look for you tomorrow  
When the sun begins to light.  
Whatever season, month or year,  
This much will be the same,  
The only sound of joy will be  
The mention of your name.  
I shall remember you for as long  
As there are earth and sky  
And all eternity  
May take to say goodbye

~Author unknown~

# Macy Elizabeth Moyers

January 25, 1993 ----- June 14, 2007

Dear Macy,

You left us when you were just fourteen years old

All fourteen birthdays we celebrated so grand

Now you are turning seventeen

And we'll celebrate while you are holding Jesus' hand

Macy we miss you more than anyone could possibly know

Your beautiful smile and sweet laughter

Still rings so loud and ever so clear

As we love you today, and forever after

Flowers and rainbows remind us of you

Butterflies and dragonflies are signs you are here

Sending messages straight from heaven

And touching our hearts because we know you are near

Thank you for those wonderful years

With all your goodness and pleasantness so fine

You're an inspiration to all who knew you

We'll reunite someday soon, what a great day in time!

Happy Birthday "Macy Girl"

Still missing you and loving you forever!

Mom, Dad, Madi, & Mathew and MeMaw & PawPaw





In Memory of  
George Mitchell Delany Jr  
8-31-53 to 12-19-08

By mom, Mary Etta Gulotta

Kevin Claunch  
12-11-73 5-23-06

Although we are apart your spirit lives within our hearts  
We love you,  
Mom & Dad

## Love Gifts

Given by: Albernese Fields  
In Memory of Roy Lee Lopez  
11-9-79 10-23-07

Given by: Natha Laday  
In Memory of Casey Laday, Sr.  
9-16-66 8-29-98

Given by: The Rodriguez Family  
In Memory of Peter B. Rodriguez  
3-1-64 8-4-02

# Chapter Information

## LOVE GIFTS

A love gift is a special way to remember a child.

The Compassionate Friends charges no dues, and your voluntary donations are our only source of income. All gifts are tax deductible. TCF is a 501 (c) 3 nonprofit organization and 100% of all income is used to reach bereaved families through this newsletter, brochures, our grief materials library, and special events like our annual December Candle Lighting Remembrance and our Garden remembrance.

Checks should be made payable to  
The Compassionate Friends  
PO Box 568  
Texas City, TX 77592

## NEWSLETTER

In order to include your child's information in the newsletter written permission must be on file. If you would like to have your child's information included please send in the data sheet so that we can insure that we have the correct information.

Submissions for the newsletter are always welcome and can include short articles, poems & book reviews. Please include any authors or other sources if known.

All submissions are due for inclusion in the newsletter by the 20th of each month, some exceptions may arise but will be included as a note in the newsletter.

Submissions should be sent to either the PO Box listed under the love gifts or emailed to Bambi Oshel at [grammy127@earthlink.net](mailto:grammy127@earthlink.net) or Dana Rogers at [sabalo130@comcast.net](mailto:sabalo130@comcast.net)

## MESSAGES FROM THE CHAPTER LEADER

In order for our chapter to remain viable, it takes many people to help keep it going. As in some organizations, a few do much for the many. This is all a volunteer based chapter. No one gets paid money. Please think about spending some time and effort toward this cause. By helping in this chapter efforts, you will find it moves you forward in the grief journey.

I wanted to tell the parents we are glad they go out to the Garden. It is great to see small trinkets on the bricks in memory of the child. But, please pick up your small items in a few days. The city does not pick this up and there have become so many objects on the bricks someone is going to fall. And the wind blows it all around. I am not discouraging the idea but let us all try and be responsible for the upkeep and good appearance.

Thanks so much,  
Amanda Kuenstler  
Chapter Leader  
The Compassionate Friends of Galveston County

***Note:** When you purchase a brick to be placed in the Memorial Garden be advised that they are placed randomly. The bricks are put in place by the generosity of Manning Masonry Co, Inc. While someone within the organization will be notified after installation of a set of bricks is completed, notification prior to the installation is not available.*

*Beautiful Memorial Garden Bricks*

***Acme Engraved Bricks @ \$50.00 each***

Please make checks payable to Compassionate Friends and mail to **P.O. Box 568 Texas City, TX 77592**. Should you have any questions regarding this order form please call **Louise Krone at (281) 534-3639** or email at [lak51757@yahoo.com](mailto:lak51757@yahoo.com)

To order an engraved brick: Fill the appropriate boxes below with desired inscription.

LINE 1														
LINE 2														
LINE 3														

LINE 1														
LINE 2														
LINE 3														
LINE 4														

Customer's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: - Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you for supporting the Compassionate Friends Memorial Garden

**Love Gifts**, monetary or  
Gifts-in-kind are a beautiful expression of our deep  
And never-ending love for our children, and help us "reach out" to bereaved families.  
Our expenses include postage, printing & special programs.  
TCF is a 501 ( c ) ( 3 ) Organization—donations are tax deductible.  
Time is also a wonderful gift, volunteers are always needed.  
**Thank You for contributing and supporting the work of our local chapter.**

The Compassionate Friends  
Galveston County, Texas, Chapter  
Data Sheet

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Note: If you are a bereaved parent/grandparent and you fill out this data form, you are authorizing us to publish in our newsletter the name of your child/grandchild. (See procedures outlined below for explanation)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Your name(s) - **please print**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Your signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of your child/grandchild—**please print**

Date of birth (month, day, year) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of death (month, day, year) \_\_\_\_\_

Please identify your relationship(s) to your child/grandchild \_\_\_\_\_  
Bereaved parents, mother, father, grandparent(s), step-parent

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
City

\_\_\_\_\_  
State

\_\_\_\_\_  
Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email address—**please print**

Please **CIRCLE** one choice: Do you wish to receive our newsletter by **U.S. Mail** or **Email** (at the above address)?

Please return this form to **The Compassionate Friends**  
**PO Box 568**  
**Texas City, TX 77592**

Procedures Regarding Filing Data Sheets and Receiving our Newsletter

Filing Data Sheets

Current (filed after Jan. '07) and future data sheets are required by our chapter for the Specific Reason: Due to the fact that there have been legal issues in other chapters regarding the publication of children's names, etc., without prior written permission from their parent(s) and/or grandparent(s), national TCF officials have suggested that we now require such forms be filed with the chapter.

Newsletter

1. Anyone who places a request may receive a newsletter via U.S. Mail and/or Internet.
2. In order to receive each issue of our newsletter, recipient must notify the newsletter editor.
3. Recipient does not need to fill our any type of form.
4. However, anyone who files a data sheet with the chapter will receive each issue (as requested above).

Note: Our mailing list, your name, children's remembrance information, and your phone numbers are considered private and confidential and will never be shared with any outside organization, Company or individual