

# HOMICIDE SUPPORT NETWORK

Sacramento County District Attorney's Office

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<http://www.sacda.org/helpingvictims/victim-witness/>

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## GROUP PURPOSE

### *Why are we here:*

To support persons who survive the violent death of someone close as they seek to recover;

To provide contact with similarly bereaved persons and establish self-help groups that meet regularly;

To provide information about the grieving process and the criminal justice system as they pertain to survivors of a homicide;

To communicate with professionals in the helping fields, about the problems faced by those surviving a homicide and to increase society's awareness of these issues.



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## UPCOMING MEETINGS

**June 6th, 2018 @ 6:30 pm**

**Summer Potluck**

**July & August No Group**

## In Loving Memory

### May Dates of Birth

Otila Carrington	05/18/1955
Shaun Foltz	05/02/1977
Tyreko Johns	05/16/1976
Wilfredo Ochoa	05/10/1975
Jeff Holly	05/04/1973
Mario Escobar	05/16/1952
Shawna Edgar	05/24/1977
Oscar DeHerrera	05/14/1981
Marlena Brooks	05/26/1974
Brittany Aardahl	05/28/1973
Tad Shaw	05/23/1961
Thaddeus Czuprynski	05/20/1980
Soledad Abogado	05/17/1917
LaRhonda Marie Johnson	05/24/1982
Milton Miguel Ruiz	05/23/1981
Astin Lawrence	05/15/1985
LeWayne Alan Carolina	05/05/1976
Hector Manuel Barrera Jr.	05/25/1980
Carlos Morales	05/31/1986
Richard Ramos Rios	05/01/1986
Phuong Van Le	05/18/1948
Robert Skou	05/07/1984
Donte L. Walton	05/10/1990
Cleveland H. Scott	05/27/1953
Brenda D. Trujillo	05/14/1958
Sylvia F. Guerrero	05/16/1970
Gabriel Martinez	05/31/1982
Rudolph Haynes	05/02/1952
Jelisa Office	05/07/1990
Julian Maisonet	05/27/1946
Doug Cline	05/25/1959
Joshua Kalb	05/20/1980
Jaylon Wilfort	05/18/1975
Enrique Perez	05/22/1987
Alexander Villa	05/03/1982
Fernando Lorenvo Munoz	05/12/1983
Leel Wilson III	05/20/1981
Alfredo "Chino" Perez	05/22/1987
Bobby V. Skou	05/07/1984
Marcus Thompson	05/01/1991
Marque Alexander Johnson	05/06/1992
Robert Flores	05/16/1973
Jessica Haslam	05/31/1998

### May Dates of Loss

Shawn Foltz	05/14/2001
Travell Collins	05/02/2002
Denia Nicole Crawford	05/04/1999
Anthony Jon Casteel	05/28/1999
Michelle Montoya	05/16/1997
Vikki Lynn Lustig	05/12/1997
Marlena Brooks	05/31/1993
Kenneth Hahn	05/02/1999
Hector Rosales, Jr.	05/05/2000
George Anthony Shtaway, Jr.	05/18/2000
Angela Marie Prindle	05/31/2002
Horatio Lawrence	05/08/2001
Andrew Jackson Lewis	05/22/2005
Jerry Johnson Jr.	05/09/2005
Michael Dewatt Smith	05/20/2006
Marquis Lamont Kendall	05/13/2006
Johnny Edwards Lewis	05/22/2006
Albert Lloyd Titman	05/17/2006
Donald Lamell Willis, Jr.	05/06/2005
Adrian Hutchins	05/08/2007
Joseph Zacaria Gomez	05/09/2007
Joseph Aaron Griggs	05/17/2007
Larry Gibbs	05/09/2007
Carlos Hermaine Bryant	05/29/2007
Tri Minh Pham	05/08/2007
Paul Ray Cousins III	05/19/2009
Marcus Houston Mayes	05/28/2009
Chawn Chaney	05/29/2009
David Endres	05/31/2010







*In the rising of the sun and in its going down,  
We remember them;  
In the blowing of the wind and in the chill of winter,  
We remember them;  
In the opening of buds and in the warmth of summer,  
We remember them;  
In the rustling of leaves and the beauty of autumn,  
We remember them;  
In the beginning of the year and when it ends,  
We remember them;  
When we are weary and in need of strength,  
We remember them;  
When we are lost and sick at heart,  
We remember them;  
When we have joys we yearn to share,  
We remember them;  
So long as we live, they too shall live, for they are now part of us  
as  
We remember them.  
(~Jewish Prayer book)*

**Dedications** to your loved ones can be featured in the newsletter. Please submit them to Michelle Husbands at [husbandsm@sacda.org](mailto:husbandsm@sacda.org) by the 10th of the previous month you would like the dedication to appear. Eg. Dedications for the May's newsletter should be submitted by April 10th

**Memorial Quilts:** If you are interested in having a picture of your lost loved one placed on a quilt, please contact your victim advocate for instructions on how to complete that process.

**Meeting Dates & Times:** June 6th, 2018 @ 6:30 pm Summer Potluck  
No group July and August- Summer Break  
Sept 4th, 2018 @ 6:30 pm

**Children's Support Groups:** Sutter Memorial Children Bereavement Art group for ages 4-16 contact Peggy Gulshen @ 916-454-6555 for various locations in Sacramento County. [www.sutterchildrens.org/childbereavement](http://www.sutterchildrens.org/childbereavement)

**UC Davis Hospice** young adult group for ages 17-24. Please contact Don Lewis @ 916-734-1139. Closed group which meets once a week for 8 sessions, next session starts Feb 20th, 2018 ending April 10th , 2018 6:00 pm -7:30 pm

**POMC ANNUAL BALOON RELEASE:** Wednesday, April 11th, 2018, from 12:00 to 2:00 pm. With the balloon release scheduled for 1:00 pm. It will be held at the McKinley Park Rose Garden again this year. We are releasing the balloons in remembrance of our loved ones who have died by violence. Please RSVP by April 2, 2018 to ensure we have enough balloons for everyone.

**REMEMBER ME BEARS:** Anyone interested in having a bear made from an article of clothing, blanket etc that holds special memories of your loved one, may contact Ms. Sharon Bell at 707-678-3738. The cost is \$30 and she is willing to work with those who may have financial difficulty. The materials should be mailed to her at 1380 West F Street, Dixon CA 95620.

# Grief Support and Resources

**Parents of Murdered Children (POMC)** is a national self-help organization designed solely to offer emotional support and information for anyone (not just parents) about surviving the loss of a loved one to murder. **Meetings are the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of each month from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm at 5770 Freeport Blvd, Sacramento CA 95822.** For additional info. call (916) 879-4541

**Crime Victim's United of California** sponsors a victim's support group **the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month** beginning at 6:30 pm at St. Teresa of Avila's Church in the preschool buildings at 11600 Atwood Road, Auburn CA. If you or someone you know is interested in attending, please call and confirm time and place at 530-885-9544.

**Sacramento Valley Compassionate Friends** meets **every third Friday of each month 7:30-10:00 pm** at the St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Marks Way, Sacramento CA 95864. Please contact Pamela Amo @ 916-955-3180 for questions pertaining to the group.

**VIVA—Volunteers in Victim Assistance** is a full service center for victims of violent crime and trauma. It is located at 2020 Hurley Way, Suite 265 Sacramento CA 95825. Tel # 916-570-1690. They serve victims primarily in Sacramento County, but they can also serve victims in El Dorado, Placer and Yolo counties. Please contact them for additional information.

**SUICIDE PREVENTION RESOURCES:** DO NOT TRY TO DEAL WITH IT ON YOUR OWN  
National Suicide Prevention Lifeline @ 1-800-273-8255 (1-800-273-TALK) or 1-800 784-2433 (1-800 suicide); Sacramento Suicide Crisis Prevention line @ 916-368-3111;  
National Organization for People of Color Against Suicide: <http://www.nopcas.org>

The following members of the support group are willing to lend a listening ear during your time of grief.

**Grace Beren: 916-730-5640; Earline Harris: 916-204-3399**

[www.thecompassionatefriends.com](http://www.thecompassionatefriends.com)

[www.1800victims.org](http://www.1800victims.org)

[www.crimevictimsunited.com](http://www.crimevictimsunited.com)

[www.cvactionalliance.org](http://www.cvactionalliance.org) Crime Victims Action Alliance

[www.pomc.org](http://www.pomc.org)

[www.pomc.org/sacramento](http://www.pomc.org/sacramento)