

# 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

### **Next Meeting Date**

**Jan 5th, 2022 @ 6:30 pm**

Kaiser Building across from Sacramento's DA's office  
906 G Street, Sacramento CA

Please park behind the DA's office for free or on  
G street which has metered parking.

## In Loving Memory

<u>December Dates of Birth</u>		<u>December Dates of Loss</u>	
Brandon Timmons	12/10/1983	Elizabeth Anne Morris Herrback	12/22/1998
Denise Hooper	12/22/1950	John Beren	12/06/1999
James Jones	12/08/1964	Howard Thomas III	12/03/1993
Agnes Elias	12/20/1971	George Edward Haynie, Jr.	12/13/2003
Angela Marie Prindle	12/07/1971	Pierre Fortier	12/15/1992
Sonja Marie Vasquez	12/26/1967	Vincent Sanchez	12/08/1989
Joie Armstrong	12/20/1972	Albert Proctor	12/27/1999
Teresite Estrada	12/02/1965	Michael A. Menzies	12/30/1996
Antonio Jose "Chuy" Garcia	12/14/1977	William A. Broady	12/25/1995
Joan Lafeat	12/24/1.937	Mark Contreras	12/22/1954
Edward R. Sanchez	12/17/1986	Oscar Deherrera	12/20/1997
Linda Louise Avila	12/08/1960	LeWayne Alan Carolina	12/28/1999
Samantha	12/31/1994	Patrick Nolan Klein	12/20/1994
Daniel Frank Valdez III	12/24/1987	Shanna Holmes	12/17/1993
Robert Tommy Rojas	12/21/1961	Aaron Michael Bradney	12/24/1994
Robert Francisco Maisonet	12/11/1990	Irene Fontaine	12/09/1998
Michael Villescaz	12/20/1972	Sonya Marie Vasquez	12/07/1993
Chai Ta Saechao	12/06/1986	William Rasica, Jr.	12/11/1999
Lamar Pierre Gasaway	12/16/1989	Ricky J. Collier	12/10/2000
Robert Rojas	12/21/1964	Teveston Johnson	12/21/2004
Donald Larnell Willis, Jr.	12/03/1983	NG hiem Thai	12/08/2005
Richard A. Bustillos	12/05/1985	Donikos Jones	12/23/2005
Alexandra Maria Cerda	12/06/1967	Daniel Frank Valedz III	12/22/2005
Mary Ourk	12/29/1985	Clifton Dewayne Jones	12/13/2005
Tri Minh Pham	12/27/1970	Terrell Anderson	12/26/2005
Lawrence Dean Lynn	12/16/1952	Richard Ramos Rios	12/04/2005
Sione Folau, Jr.	12/26/1985	Marquis R. Richmond	12/07/2006
Sean Aquitania, Sr.	12/26/1985	Arnold Devonne Butler, Jr.	12/29/2006
Robert Rojas	12/21/1961	Anthony Lee Torrez Fuller	12/30/2006
Arlo Ligi	12/13/1971	Dwayne Jerome Harvey	12/12/2004
David Butler	12/30/1968	Patrick Moore	12/23/2006
Marquis Kendall	12/16/1977	Doug Cline	12/28/2005
Jamay M. Sticca	12/02/1986	James R. Lowe	12/26/2006
Everett A. Taylor	12/29/1980	Manuel Castillo	12/09/2007
Clifford E. Brown	12/03/1955	Otis Edward Passmore	12/27/2000
Joshua Scott Trahan -Mays	12/16/1991	Leo Fletcher III	12/11/2008
Jose Galindo-Sepulveda	12/10/1993	James R. Lowe	12/26/2006
Alvin Saivon Valentine	12/20/1993	Chester Corser Jr.	12/03/2007
		Clifford E. Brown	12/15/2009
		Perell Marquise Waters	12/15/2009
		Elijah Cook	12/31/2010
		Monique Nelson	12/14/2010
		Truly Lo	12/21/2010
		Margaret Elizabeth Weddle	12/01/2011
		Robert "Tito" Santos	12/05/2014



East Lawn is not doing in person events this year but anticipate there will be a virtual one. They are advising interested parties to keep checking the upcoming events section of their page, and to scroll until you see the below picture. Information will be provided prior to Dec 18th., 2021

<https://www.eastlawn.com/choose-east-lawn/upcoming-events-seminars>



Morgan and Jones also will not be having a memorial event this year



## Christmas Memories

by Sandy Siewers

When snowflakes dance on winter winds  
And colored lights shine Christmas cheer,  
When children's laughter fills the air  
And family gathers from far and near,  
I try to celebrate with them  
And not let my hurting show,  
But the empty spaces within my heart,  
At this season, seems to grow  
'Till oftentimes it fills the days  
And many night times too,

With aching thoughts and memories  
Of Christmases I spent with you.  
Yes, memories do hurt, it's true  
But I have this feeling too.

I'm so glad I hold these memories,  
For with them I hold part of you.  
So for now I'll wipe away the tears  
And join with loved ones dear  
To celebrate this Christmas time,  
For I know that, in my heart, you're here.

**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:** Feb 2nd, 2022 @ 6:30 pm  
March 2nd, 2022 @ 6:30 pm  
April 6th, 2022 @ 6:30 pm

**Children's Support Groups:** Sutter Memorial Children Bereavement Art group for ages 4-16 contact 916-887-5275 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.

**SNOWLINE Healing All Together** provides FREE groups for children, teens and their families at the Sacramento Children Museum, 2701 Prospect Park Dr, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 Contact their Bereavement Services section at 530-621-7820 or 916-817-2338 to enroll in group. <https://www.snowlinehospice.org/our-services/griefsupportgroups>

**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. Here is a link of her sharing her journey <https://vimeo.com/353432975>

## 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. **They meet the first Saturday of the month from 1:00 to 3:00 pm, at Antelope Springs Church Roseville, CA** 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 7:30-9:30 pm** at the St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 2391 St. Marks Way, Sacramento CA 95864. Use the parking lot on Lusk in front of the Education Bldg. Meeting is upstairs in room E- 26 also accessible by elevator. Please contact the general number with questions pertaining to the group or email them at [tcfsacvalley@gmail.com](mailto:tcfsacvalley@gmail.com)

**Sacramento Valley Compassionate Friends Men's Sharing meeting is every second Tuesday of the month 7:30-9:00 pm** at Christ Community Church 5025 Manzanita Ave, Carmichael in Rm 15. Parking is in the back.

**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)