

LOVE GIFTS



Love Gifts are tax-deductible donations and may be given to the Waterbury Chapter in memory of your child or by those who would like to help with Chapter costs. Helping each other as we walk together in a life without our child is a meaningful way to say Happy Birthday or celebrate a holiday. Please send Love Gifts to either Kathy or Sharon. Their addresses are below.

We would like to give a special thanks to:

Kathy and Sharon for donating their time to be our leaders,
Shawn McDonald for taking care of the Waterbury TCF Website,
Betty Lucid for taking care of the library books and sending anniversary cards,
Cheryl McDonald for helping Betty with the library,
Marie Fafard for sending post cards for the meetings,
Audre' Capaldo for sending emails for meetings, and

To all those who bring refreshments.

<u>TCF Waterbury Chapter</u> - <u>NEW MEETING PLACE</u>: The Waterbury meeting is held every second Wednesday of the month at the **The Harold Leever Regional Cancer Center, 1075 Chase Parkway, Waterbury**, 7:00 - 9:00 pm. <u>Co-Leader: Kathy Daisey</u>, 39 High Street, Naugatuck, CT 06770 (203) 723-5067

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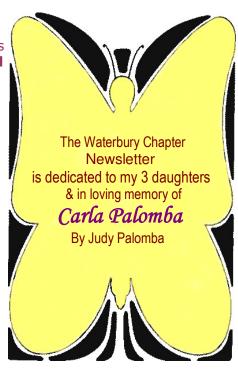
TCF Waterbury Newsletter - to submit pictures, poems, and articles, please contact: Judy Palomba, 175-1 Meriline Ave, Waterbury, CT 06705 (203)756-7708

OR e-mail wa1107@comcast.net Attach picture as jpeg or gif file or mail photo and I will scan and return it.

The newsletters are bi-monthly, starting the first of the year. Please have submissions in by the **2**nd **week** of the month when the newsletter is due.

<u>Waterbury, CT Chapter Website</u> – http://www.waterburytcf.org/ Meeting information, event dates &locations, poems & In Remembrances plus information on other links and other topics for the Waterbury Chapter. Contact information is on the website.

<u>TCF National Office</u>, PO Box 3696, Oak Brook, IL 60522, 877-969-0010 <u>http://www.compassionatefriends.org</u>



To Our TCF Family:

We all come to The Compassionate Friends meetings because of the devastating loss of a child, grandchild or sibling. The loss of a child, no matter how old or how it happens is the worse loss that a person can go through. It's not normal for a parent to bury a child - the circle of life is broken, it's just not right. We've talked at our meetings about how worried we are about our other children (if we have them.) Sometimes we feel that we are too strict or too worried because we know what it is like to lose a child. Our biggest fear...is that it could happen again, we pray that it won't. But we know that we have no control and cannot stop what will be.

One of our members, Betty Lucid, lost her son Shawn, her best friend. She has been coming to our meetings for quite a while. Recently, she's missed a few meetings because she was helping her son, Steven, while he was sick. Betty's worst fears came true a few weeks ago when she lost Steven, her second son, her second child. We can't imagine her loss. Losing one child is awful, losing a second has to be even worse. Our hearts, thoughts and prayers go out to Betty and her family. We will be here for her always to help her through both of these devastating losses. (((HUGS))).

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