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RE: Support Groups - Bereavement

Compassionate Friends

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.

The Compassionate Friends is a national nonprofit, self-help support organization that offers friendship and understanding to bereaved parents, grandparents and siblings. There is no religious affiliation and there are no membership dues or fees.

The secret of TCF's success is simple: As seasoned grievers reach out to the newly bereaved, energy that has been directed inward begins to flow outward and both are helped to heal. Support includes Internet chat rooms, meeting schedules and lists of parents available to talk with on the telephone.

National web-site: www.compassionatefriends.org

Central Indiana web-site: www.central-in-chapter-tcf.org

Other Resources in Central Indiana

Parent Grief Support Groups:

Methodist Maternity Center	(317) 962-8153
Community Hospital North ("Open Arms")	(317) 621-5275
Hancock Memorial Hospital (Infant loss)	(317) 468-4485
Mental Health Assoc., Franklin ("Healing Hearts")	(317) 736-3300
Riverview Hospital, Noblesville (Infant loss)	(317) 776-7200
SIDS Center of Indiana	(317) 254-9255
St. Vincent Hospital	(317) 338-4040