



**The Compassionate Friends**  
 Greater Omaha Chapter  
 Supporting Family After a Child Dies

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**Support Group Meetings**  
 For parents, grandparents & siblings over 18

1st Thursday of the month 7-9 pm  
 New Cassel Retirement Center  
 Auditorium-Level 2  
 900 N. 90th Street, Omaha

- Memorial Programs
- Newsletter and Facebook
- Community Education Programs
- Library of grief resources
- Support Group
- Conferences
- Angel of Hope Children's Memorial

There are no dues or fees. Local chapters are supported entirely upon the voluntary donations of our members and the generosity of the community. The Compassionate Friends is a 501c3 non-profit organization and donations are tax-exempt.

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*We need not walk alone. We are the  
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The Compassionate Friends is a national, mutual assistance, self-help organization offering friendship and understanding to bereaved parents and their families through the work of local chapters. The Omaha Chapter began in 1979, and is one of over 630 in the United States. The Compassionate Friends has no religious affiliation. The chapter has no employees, leadership roles are filled by member volunteers who work in honor of their children, siblings, or grandchildren who have died.

When a child dies, at any age, the family suffers intense pain and may feel hopeless and isolated. The Compassionate Friends provides highly personal comfort, hope, and support to every family experiencing the death of a son or a daughter, a brother or a sister, or a grandchild, and helps others better assist the grieving family.

# CREATE A PERMANENT REMEMBRANCE

Engraved bricks may be purchased in memory of a child.

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- \$3,000 Friend of the Angel  \$2,000 ~~Bench~~ **SOLD**  \$1,000 16 x 12 Stone Tile  \$250 8x8 Paver Brick  \$125 4x8 Paver Brick  
 (6 LINES) (3 LINES)

\$\_\_\_\_\_ Donation without a brick

Purchaser \_\_\_\_\_  
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I WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT

- Angel  
 Outreach

**Directions:** Located at Boys Town, beyond the Garden of the Bible.  
 From Dodge Street, exit at 137th onto Sheehan Parkway,  
 Right on Flanagan Drive,  
 Right on Bucher Drive.  
 The Angel of Hope is across from Chambers Chapel.



## THE ANGEL OF HOPE CHILDREN'S MEMORIAL at Boys Town

The Angel of Hope was introduced to the world in the book *The Christmas Box*, by Richard Paul Evans. In the book, a woman mourns the loss of her child at the base of an angel monument. Though the story is mostly fiction, the angel monument once existed but was lost in the Salt Lake City flood. A new bronze statue was commissioned by the author in response to reports that grieving parents were seeking out the angel as a place to grieve and heal. In its wing is inscribed the word HOPE.

Local Compassionate Friends members shared a vision of a quiet place where families could go to remember their children and heal. It stands as a symbol of hope for all parents and loved ones who have experienced the death of a child, no matter what age.

The Omaha Chapter's Angel of Hope is located at Boys Town, across from Chambers Chapel. It is a place of healing and remembrance for all bereaved families.

Families may attend the annual brick dedication.



## National Events for Families



The Compassionate Friends Walk to Remember® is a highlight of every TCF National Conference. It was created as a symbolic way to show the love we carry for the children we mourn.

The Walk to Remember is also used as a major fundraiser to help support the work of The Compassionate Friends. Many participants seek pledges from relatives, friends, neighbors, and business acquaintances, turning in the dollars they have raised prior to the start of the event.

Even if you are not able to attend, you can be part of this heartfelt event by sending us the names of the children whose memory you wish to honor. Your generosity will help us support all bereaved families who have reached out to TCF, as well as those who today don't know they'll need our help tomorrow. If you are reading this, there's no doubt the death of a child has touched your life. When a child dies in a family, life as that family knows it is never the same. They learn to cherish the ways in which they can have their special child remembered.

Concurrent local walks are held by many Compassionate Friends chapters in communities across the country.

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Light a candle for all children who have died

**Worldwide Candle Lighting®**

... that their light may always shine.

**Second Sunday in December**  
**7 PM Around the Globe**

The Compassionate Friends Worldwide Candle Lighting unites family and friends around the globe in lighting candles for one hour to honor the memories of the sons, daughters, brothers, sisters, and grandchildren who left too soon. As candles are lit at 7:00 pm local time, hundreds of thousands of persons commemorate and honor the memory of all children gone too soon.

Now believed to be the largest mass candle lighting on the globe, annual Worldwide Candle Lighting, a gift to the bereavement community from The Compassionate Friends, creates a virtual 24-hour wave of light as it moves from time zone to time zone.