

M.E.N.D. Newsletter

The Holidays Can Be Difficult

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From Rebekah

Although it remains very warm where I live in Texas, the holidays are just around the corner. Thanksgiving dinnerware is displayed in stores and the markets have begun stocking up on turkeys. The malls already have Christmas paraphernalia for sale and some people have started the tedious task of holiday gift shopping.

When fresh in grief, it can be very painful to see the world so thankful and joyful during the holiday season. Sometimes the bereaved wish they could stay in bed with the covers over their heads and not get up until January. But that's impossible and somehow the grief-stricken will have to endure family get-togethers, parties, and the hustle and bustle that November and December bring.

We're all familiar with I Thessalonians 4:18 where the apostle Paul encourages us to, "give thanks in all circumstances..." Sometimes we wonder if he truly meant every situation. I remember Thanksgiving four years ago - my first Thanksgiving since Jonathan's stillbirth. I wasn't thankful for anything!! Not my husband, not Little Byron, not my home, nothing! I was so caught up in my grief and heartbreak of Jonathan not being there that I couldn't focus on what I did have. However, as time went by, slowly but surely, I was able to acknowledge and appreciate the good things in my life. Although I will always miss Jonathan, I can honestly say I am very thankful for him. I see the blessings that his life, through his death, has brought my family and me.

At our "Thursday" support groups I have begun setting apart time and opening the floor for people to share one or more positive things that have resulted from their baby's death. I tell the families that it may take months or years for them to acknowledge even the smallest amount of good, but that we all should search our hearts and begin to find it. It is very touching to hear the parents share their thoughts on this. Among many examples, some reveal that through their loss they have become closer as a family, some explain that they now realize the miracle of life, and others express their desire to now help others in need.

I encourage you to begin doing what we do at M.E.N.D., examine your heart and try to acknowledge just one positive outcome of your baby's death. This isn't an attempt to minimize your grief or take away from your heartache. It's simply to assist you in "growing," instead of "going" through your grief.

Christmas is just as hard, if not harder, than Thanksgiving to endure. It's difficult for us not to imagine our baby on Santa's lap and wonder what gifts we would have left under the tree for our excited child. It's not easy for most bereaved parents to rejoice over a baby born 2000 years ago when ours didn't survive. And we wonder if it is acceptable to include our baby in the holiday festivities and if so, how?

While some families remember their deceased loved ones quietly and to themselves, others very candidly commemorate them. Personally, we choose to openly remember Jonathan during the holidays and there are many ways to do so. Shortly after Thanksgiving, we put a wreath and poinsettia on his grave as well as hang a stocking in our home (though in a special place - not on the mantle). We also have several ornaments that we have collected over the years that were

purchased in his memory and some have his name and birth/death date on them.

Last year a couple in M.E.N.D. wrote their thoughts regarding their baby on little pieces of paper and put them in his stocking. On Christmas morning they sat down and together read aloud each others' meditations. Some families choose to "adopt" a child who is the age their baby would have been and provide Christmas for them. Another way to remember your baby at Christmas time is to attend a service in memory of the deceased. Every year M.E.N.D. hosts a beautiful candlelight Christmas Ceremony in which the families are given the opportunity to come forward and light a candle in their baby's memory. We also provide inspirational music, poetry, and a short devotional for the families. After the ceremony, we invite everyone to stay for refreshments and fellowship with other bereaved couples. This year our ceremony will be held Tuesday, December 14 at 7:00 p.m. at Calvary Temple church in Irving, TX. Please call M.E.N.D. at (972) 459-2396 for more information.

Regardless of how long it has been since the loss of your baby, I know the pain never completely diminishes during the holidays. I pray that all of us with the common bond of losing a precious baby will remember to "...encourage one another and build each other up..." (I Thessalonians 5:11) especially during the holiday season. And from all of us at M.E.N.D., have a Thankful Thanksgiving, a Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year!

Rebekah Mitchell

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Remembering Your Baby During the Holidays

*To remember your baby,
whether it's at Christmas or any other time of the year,
here are some ideas that have been helpful to others.*

- Buy fresh flowers for your home to enjoy while remembering your baby.
- Make a scrap book.
- Plan a special meal and/or open house with family/friends to celebrate a special date (i.e.

birth/death date, due date, anniversary date, etc.)

- Buy a Birthstone Babies necklace, Mother's Ring, Angel pin, or other appropriate jewelry.
- Buy a special ornament for your Christmas tree.
- Buy an age-appropriate gift for your baby and give it to a charity in memory of your baby.
- Create or buy a special frame for your baby's picture(s).
- Create a photo album or collage.
- Contribute to your local church, school, library, or favorite charity in your baby's name.
- Donate a children's or pregnancy loss book to your local library.
- Create a special place to keep or display your baby's things (i.e. blanket, outfit, hospital bracelets, other mementos, etc.) For example, a shadow box, small toy chest, a curio, etc.
- Write poetry to or about your baby.
- Visit the cemetery and take a poinsettia or other seasonal flower/plant.
- Reach out to others who have lost a baby to share your experiences.
- Buy a special reminder of your baby for your work space.
- Buy a beautiful Christmas candle and light it each day through December.
- Hang a stocking for your baby and put a flower in it Christmas morning.

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In our November/December 1997 issue, we reprinted an article entitled *Getting Past Christmas* by Carlene Vester Eneroth. She had some very good ideas for surviving the holidays without a loved one. Here are a few of those ideas.

Getting Past Christmas

by Carlene Vester Eneroth

Plan your shopping trips ahead of time or try creative alternatives. Try shopping at a different mall and go early in the day, before bumping into all those merry shoppers.

Enlist the help of others in wrapping your gifts. Many friends would love to help but need to be asked.

Consider changing your traditional family Christmas letter. Feel free to mention your loss. You may feel good sharing your feelings and others may benefit from hearing it as a reminder of the "true meaning of Christmas."

Give yourself permission to change family traditions. Doing things differently this year may help to ward off some bad memories or expectations.

Try a new idea when you are getting ready to hang up Christmas stockings. Go ahead and hang one up for your baby. Encourage each family member to write a note to the baby that can be read on Christmas Eve. A flower placed in the stocking for Christmas morning is a sweet sight.

Determine to do one special thing for someone else in December. Maybe you know someone who is hurting like you or a lonely neighbor who could use a short visit. Perhaps you could make cookies to give away, pick out a special card to send or take a plant to someone.

Pamper yourself this month. Be determined to buy yourself a present.

Plan on taking time to cry. It is normal to have to cry during the holidays. Holidays intensify all

emotions - why should your loss be any different?

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Little Light

Like a softly burning candle
With a golden kind of glow,
You lit my life with joy
Til my heart would overflow.

Bright with possibility
And hope for each new day,
We had so many plans for you.
Then you went away.

Your little flame extinguished,
Now the shadows come about.
The gloom is overwhelming.
Hopeless, I cry out.

“Why did you leave me, Little One?
Tell me where you are!”
And my eyes look to heaven
And I see a twinkling star.

It glitters with a promise
That you're not so far away;
And the love that you brought us
Is here with us to stay.

*by Gwen Flowers
In Loving Memory of
Hannah, Skylar and Jordan
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Angel In The Sky

Our precious angel came so still
We heard not a single cry.
We held you tight in loving arms;
So hard to say good-bye.

We yearned to hold you longer,
See your eyes and one big grin;
But for reasons we don't understand

God took you home with Him.

So spread your angel wings, sweet Son,
and play on Heaven's grounds.
Where you will never know earth's tears,
And peace and joy surrounds.

Mommie and Daddy cry today,
But this is not good-bye.
For we'll be with you forever,
When we meet you in the sky.

*Written by Aunt Sarah Lee Rose,
In Loving Memory of
Travis Stone Cates
August 24, 1999*

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Jordan Ashley Heffley

Jesus is holding, kissing, and rocking you since I cannot.
Our hearts are filled with so much love for you.
Remembering your smooth, soft skin is a memory I cherish.
Dad & Mom love and miss you more than words can express.
Angel is a word that describes you perfectly.
Nine hours is all we had with you but you have touched so many lives in that short time.

A blessing in our lives is definitely what you are.
Sweet little girl who fought to live thinking of our needs and not your own.
Heaven is so much better with you there.
Lucky to have known you and to have been chosen to be your family.
Eternity is where one day we will be reunited as a family once again.
Your brother and sister love and miss you and wish you were here to play with.

Happy thoughts are what I try to always remember about you.
Etched in my heart and mind are my memories of your short stay.
Fun is what I hope you are having.
Forever in my life you will be.
Longing to be with you.
Everyone is trying to find some happiness again knowing that is what you would want.
You are not far from our thoughts especially during the holidays and special occasions.

*Written by Jan Heffley
In loving memory of her precious angel,
Jordan Ashley Heffley
Born and Died of Trisomy 13 on July 5, 1999*

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Subsequent Births

Robyn & David Glynn
and their son, Billy,
of DeSoto, Texas
are happy to announce the birth of
Casey Chasteen,
born on August 4, 1999
at 37 weeks.
She weighed 6 lbs. 7 oz.
They remember with love
Katherine Jeanne,
stillborn October 15, 1997.

Trish & Jay Cox
of Plano, Texas
and big brother, Mark,
announce the arrival of
Kennedy Jayne Cox.
She was born August 9, 1999
Kennedy weighed 7 lbs. 8oz
and was 19" long.
The Coxes lovingly remember
Casey Taylor,
stillborn February 20, 1998
due to Trisomy 18
and Baby Cox,
miscarried August 7, 1998.

Julie & Tom Dorothy
of Topeka, Kansas
with their seven year old son, Will,
welcome
Shannon Elisabeth,
born March 13, 1999.
They remember with love
their son,
Seth Elijah,
12/9/96.

Cindy & Mike Garabedian
and big sister, Victoria
of Colleyville, Texas
welcome
Elizabeth Grace Garabedian.
She was born March 23, 1999
weighing 6 lbs. 5 oz.

They remember
Michael, Jr.,
stillborn February 2, 1998
due to Cord Accident/
Villamentous Cord Insertion.

Jean & Brian Mueller
from Richardson, Texas
proudly announce the birth of
Ashley Brook,
born September 8, 1999.
Ashley weighed 8 lbs. 4 oz.
and measured 20 1/2" long.
The Muellers lovingly remember
Matthew James,
stillborn August 16, 1998
due to Premature Labor.

Jeanette & Richard Wayne
and their daughter, Emmaline,
of Gonzales, Texas
are delighted to announce the
arrival of their miracle gift from heaven,
Chloe Jeanette.
She was born August 24, 1999
weighing 6 lbs. 3 oz.
and measuring 18 1/2".
They lovingly remember
their precious angel babies,
Olivia Grace,
stillborn May 11, 1995
and *Baby Wayne I*,
miscarried April 20, 1996
and *Angel*,
miscarried July 23, 1998.

Nicole & Matt Didier
of Flower Mound, Texas
announce the birth of their daughter,
Madison Marie,
born September 1, 1999,
weighing in at 8 lbs. 14 oz. and
measuring 21 1/8" long.
The Didiers
lovingly remember
Cole Matthew Didier,
who died August 25, 1998
due to Renal Agenesis.

Chris & Dan Zahocsky
and big sister, Courtney
of Ballwin, Missouri
proudly announce the birth of
Megan Elizabeth.
Megan was born July 9, 1999,
weighing 7 lbs. 8 oz. and
measuring 19 1/2" long.
They remember with love
Madison Paige,
stillborn April 7, 1998
due to Cord Accident.

Gina & Bart Bevers
of Dallas, Texas
announce the birth of their son,
Zane Samuel,
born July 22, 1999.
Zane weighed 9 lbs. 14 oz.
and measured 20 3/4" long.
The Bevers lovingly remember
Baby Bevers I,
January 1998
and *Baby Bevers II*,
May 1998.

Tammy & Mike Moehlman
along with siblings,
Joshua, Andrew and Kaitlyn,
of Midlothian, Texas
give glory to God
for the birth of their daughter,
Madison Renee,
born September 4, 1999.
She weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz.
and was 18 1/2 inches long.
They lovingly remember their sons,
Christian,
stillborn December 5, 1996,
and *Jonathan*,
stillborn July 16, 1997.
Both died due to
Antiphospholipid Antibodies.

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Merry Christmas, Little One

Jingle bells are ringing
across the town tonight.
Everywhere the children are singing--
Their faces are rosy and bright.

It is always a sweet occasion,
Yet this year I feel so sad and blue.
Just three months ago
I had to say good-bye to you.

My precious baby daughter,
I can't help but wish you were here with me.
An ornament with your name engraved
hangs proudly on our tree.

I always imagined our first Christmas together--
We'd tell you of Jesus and His birth.
God sent His one and only Son,
the greatest gift to earth.

Even though my heart is broken,
I know there is reason to celebrate--
My child you are with Jesus now.
Everyday there is Christmas joy for you within Heaven's gates.

So Merry Christmas, little one;
I'm most grateful you were given to me, if only for awhile.
I know every Christmas from now on I will remember you.
I'll thank God for you and smile.

*In loving remembrance of
Mercedes Ruth Spigener
Stillborn September 21, 1995
by her Mommy, Jana Spigener*

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Book Review

Pregnancy After a Loss
A Guide to Pregnancy
After a Miscarriage, Stillbirth,
or Infant Death
by Carol Cirulli Lanham
Foreward by Uel D. Crosby, M.D.

After a miscarriage, a stillbirth or the death of an infant, well-meaning friends and family often advise, "You can always try again." But for a woman who has experienced such a heartbreaking loss, conceiving another child can be fraught with mixed emotions. This guide, filled with up-to-

date medical information and written by a woman who herself experienced a successful pregnancy after the loss of her first baby, can help.

It offers guidance for women asking such questions as: Why did it happen, and how can I make sure it doesn't happen again? How long should I wait before getting pregnant again? Should I keep the same doctor? What can I expect at prenatal exams? How can I cope with my anxiety? Will I ever be able to love another baby as much as I loved the one I lost? Pregnancy after a loss can be a time of great emotional upheaval, but, also, a time of healing and hope. With this sensible guide, women can ease their anxieties and learn to look forward to the future as they make peace with the past.

Pregnancy After a Loss is published by Berkley Books, a division of Penguin Putnam Inc., 375 Hudson St., New York, New York. For more information, visit the author's web site at <http://www.pregnancyafteraloss.com>.

Pregnancy After a Loss is on sale at book stores nationwide. To order directly, call toll-free 1-877-853-3595.

“Pregnancy After a Loss very sensitively addresses the overwhelming fears and challenges, plus the bright hopes of a subsequent pregnancy after the death of a baby.”

-- Cathi Lammert,
Executive Director of SHARE
Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support

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2000 Arizona SIDS Alliance Conference

The 2000 Arizona SIDS Alliance Conference will be held June 9-10, 2000 in Phoenix, Arizona.

This is “a multidisciplinary conference uniting physicians, nurses, firefighters, social workers, crisis interventionists, and families on the clinical and psychosocial aspects of death, crisis and bereavement. Continuing education available for medical professionals, paramedics, and social services.”

For more information regarding this conference, please visit the following website, <http://www.azsids.org/family/conf00.html> or contact Joanne Cacciatore at 623-979-1000 or 1-800-597-SIDS or via e-mail at joanne@misschildren.org.

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In Memory

In Loving Memory of
Travis Stone Cates
August 24, 1999
We Love You!

Mommie and Daddy cried,
while all my family tried
to understand the plan
that took me from this land.
Please don't be too sad...
for I am a special angel, you see,
and God just couldn't wait for me.

*Written by Travis' aunt,
Betty Sweetman*

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Can't Escape

I long to hear you whisper in my ear
Tell me darling that you're alright
To know with blessed assurance
That you are in the light

My heart is aching, oh it's aching
Full of loneliness and gloom
Can't escape the dark cold silence
That surrounds this empty room

Oh come to me, my sweetness
Lord, I can't stand this pain
I want to scream out at the world
That I need you here again!

But you're not here, my heart cries out
Oh my blessed son...
I'm empty, oh so hollow
Mommy needs you little one...

Endless grief for you, my love
Trembles deeply from inside
Threatening to break loose
In a huge rippling tide

A terrifying silence
Consumes this whole place
So cold here with your absence
A barren empty space

Few can ever know
A grief such as mine
Tightly grips my soul

With me all the time

Weeping for my child
I loved more than life itself
Weeping for my son
This grief, I know it well

Oh my son I need you
I'm begging you to come back
Fill this hole in my heart
Give me pure joy that I lack

Angel I am weary
I feel so very, very old
Can you hear me calling?
Come back for me to hold

You are but a little spirit
Who touched your mommy's heart
All the world to me, yet
We're so many worlds apart

My heart is broken
Shattered in a million pieces
Though I think I understand now
What our Lord teaches

Little son I must surrender
To a mother's gripping madness
Live with it lifelong
This complete dulling sadness

*By Cathy Russell
In Loving Memory of
Joshua Darcy Russell
Born and Died May 28, 1999*

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In Loving Memory

M.E.N.D. gratefully acknowledges these gifts of love given in memory of a baby, relative, friend or given by someone just wanting to help. These donations help us to continue M.E.N.D.'s mission by providing this newsletter and other services to bereaved parents free of charge. Your tax-deductible contributions are greatly appreciated and should be sent to the [M.E.N.D. address](#) listed at the bottom of the newsletter. **Thank you so much!**

In Loving Memory of

Jonathan Daniel Mitchell

Stillborn June 24, 1995

Cord Accident

Parents, Rebekah & Byron Mitchell, Sr. and big brother, Byron, Jr.

Given by his grandparents,

Sue & Dennis Brewer

Jonathan Daniel Mitchell

Stillborn June 24, 1995

Cord Accident

Given by parents,

Rebekah & Byron Mitchell, Sr.

and big brother, Byron, Jr.

Michael Joseph Böer

Stillborn July 17, 1996

Trisomy 18

Given by parents, Lynne & Paul Böer

and siblings, Paul, Jr., and Maggie

Madison Rose Brandenburg

Stillborn March 6, 1999

Cord Accident

Parents, Elisabeth & Britt Brandenburg

Given by Barbara & Ed Bernazzani

Kayce Dolores Bramlett

March 14 - 15, 1999

Premature Labor

Parents, Deidre & Kyle Bramlett

Given by Amelita Jones

Kayce Dolores Bramlett

March 14 - 15, 1999

Premature Labor

Parents, Deidre & Kyle Bramlett

Given by Tricia Covias

Kyle Charles Walton

November 19, 1998

Group B Strep/Severe Oligohydramnios

Parents, Kristen & Jason Walton

and big sister, Jessica

Given by Jennifer & Randy Larsen

Kyle Charles Walton

November 19, 1998

Group B Strep/Severe Oligohydramnios

Parents, Kristen & Jason Walton

and big sister, Jessica

Given by Thelma G. Walton

Kyle Charles Walton

November 19, 1998

Group B Strep/Severe Oligohydramnios

Given by his parents,

Kristen & Jason Walton

and big sister, Jessica

Kayce Dolores Bramlett

March 14 - March 15, 1999

Premature Labor

Parents Deidre & Kyle Bramlett

Given by Betty & Ted McCabe

Kayce Dolores Bramlett

March 14 - March 15, 1999

Prematurity

Parents, Deidre & Kyle Bramlett

Given by Tricia & David Amend

Kayce Dolores Bramlett

March 14 - March 15, 1999

Prematurity

Given by parents, Deidre & Kyle Bramlett

Kayce Dolores Bramlett

March 14 - March 15, 1999

Prematurity

Parents, Deidre & Kyle Bramlett

Given by Florine & John Jayroe

Kayce Dolores Bramlett

March 14 - March 15, 1999

Prematurity

Parents, Deidre & Kyle Bramlett

Given by Sherrill Hall & Downs Deering

Madison Rose Brandenburg

Stillborn March 6, 1999

Cord Accident

Parents, Elisabeth & Britt Brandenburg

Given by The Law Offices of Matthew McKay

Sarah Ann King

Stillborn June 22, 1995

Cord Accident

Given by parents, Lori & David King

and siblings, Brooks and Kaylee

Kyle Charles Walton

Stillborn November 19, 1998

Group B Strep/Severe Oligohydramnios
Parents, Kristen & Jason Walton
and big sister, Jessica
Given by Mayday Pest Control

Kayce Dolores Bramlett

March 14 - 15, 1999
Premature Labor
Parents, Kyle & Deidre Bramlett
Given by Eula Bramlett

Mercedes Ruth Spigener

Stillborn September 21, 1995
Intramembranous Insertion of Umbilical Cord
Parents, Jana & Grant Spigener,
and little brother, Wyatt
Given by grandparents,
Sheryln & Barry Spigener and
Aunt Jamie Lyn Spigener

Zachary Cole Walker

July 29, 1998
Unknown Cause
Given by parents, Katie & Jeff Walker
and siblings, Jessica & Abigail

Gift of Love

Wendy Edlen
William Bryce Jackson
June 4, 1999
Gastroschisis
Given by parents, Heidi & Kevin Jackson

Douglas Williams

Stillborn January 2, 1998
Unknown Cause
Given by parents, Velinda & Fred Williams and big brother Fred, Jr.

Epiphany Christine Ware

February 13 - 15, 1999
Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome /
VATERS Disorder
Given by mother, India Routt

Darius Alexander Carthen

Stillborn March 2, 1997
Unknown Cause
Given by parents, Tamara & Marc Carthen

**Hamilton Jordan &
Alexander Julian Carthen**

August 14, 1998 and September 7, 1998
Given by parents, Tamara & Marc Carthen

Christopher Reese & Alexis Danielle Hall
May 25, 1999 and May 27, 1999
Given by parents, Jan & Eric Hall

Jordan Ashley Heffley
July 5, 1999
Trisomy 13
Given by parents, Jan & John Heffley
and siblings, Jonathan and Jasmine

Madison Paige Zahoczky
Stillborn April 7, 1998
Cord Accident
Given by parents, Chris & Dan Zahocsky
and sisters, Courtney and Megan

Bay William Miltenberger, Jr.
Stillborn December 9, 1998
Preterm Labor
Parents, Paula & Bay Miltenberger
Given by great grandparents,
Pauline & T.W. Alley

Blake Leland Allen
April 21, 1999
Premature Labor / Incompetent Cervix
Parents, Jan & Sean Allen
Given by "Mimi," Melba Smith

Blake Leland Allen
April 21, 1999
Premature Labor / Incompetent Cervix
Given by parents, Jan & Sean Allen

Katherine Elizabeth Kjolhede
Stillborn May 10, 1999
Unknown Cause
Given by parents, Kristine & Jim Kjolhede
and big brother, Jared

Travis Stone Cates
August 24, 1999
Unknown Cause
Given by parents, Jodie & Michael Cates

Jared Mathew Slough
February 14 - March 20, 1998
Heart Defect / Failure

Given by parents, Jo Ellen & Scott Slough
and identical twin brother, Hunter

Faith Elizabeth Moore-Hilgenkamp

August 15 - 20, 1997

Congenital Heart Disease

Given by parents,

Jennifer & Brian Hilgenkamp and

siblings, Tommy and Winter

Kyle Charles Walton

Stillborn November 19, 1998

Group B Strep / Severe Oligohydramnios

Parents, Kristen & Jason Walton

and big sister, Jessica

Given by Martha Thomas & Eric Huefner

Colin Broadbent

September 4 - 17, 1998

Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome

Parents, Teresa & Stuart Broadbent

and brother, Blake

Given by Lois & J.W. Lois Collins

Mercedes Ruth Spigener

Stillborn September 21, 1995

Intramembranous Insertion of Umbilical Cord

Parents, Jana & Grant Spigener

and little brother, Wyatt

Given by Spigener Enterprises, Inc.

Matthew Aaron Bengtson

Stillborn July 12, 1999

Parents, Nancy & Kyle Bengtson

and big brother, Christopher

Given by Monica & Edward Keyport

Matthew Aaron Bengtson

Stillborn July 12, 1999

Parents, Nancy & Kyle Bengtson

and big brother, Christopher

Given by Karen & Mark Cossack

Jonathan Daniel Mitchell

Stillborn June 24, 1995

Cord Accident

Parents, Rebekah & Byron Mitchell

and big brother, Byron, Jr.

Given by Gonzalo Venegas, M.D.

Matthew Aaron Bengtson

Stillborn July 12, 1999
Parents, Nancy & Kyle Bengtson
and big brother, Christopher
Given by Carol E. Beglau

Joshua & Jeromy Barsanti

Stillborn November 21, 1996
Anencephaly
Given by parents, DaLana & Randy Barsanti and little brothers, Taylor and Collin

Madison Rose Brandenburg

Stillborn March 6, 1999
Cord Accident
Parents, Elisabeth & Britt Brandenburg
Given by Aunt Debbie & Uncle Dave
and cousins, Chase and Emily

Sarah Ann King

Stillborn June 22, 1995
Cord Accident
Parents, Lori & David King
and siblings, Brooks and Kaylee
Given by Nationwide Insurance,
David H. King Agency

Kayce Dolores Bramlett

March 14 - 15, 1999
Premature
Parents, Deidre & Kyle Bramlett
Given by grandmother, Kay Bramlett

Troy Carlin Smith

Stillborn February 19, 1999
Bladder Outlet Obstruction
Given by parents, Allyson & Shane Smith
and big sister, Hannah

Bay William Miltenberger, Jr.

Stillborn December 9, 1998
Preterm Labor/Incompetent Cervix
Parents, Paula & Bay Miltenberger
Given by Melinda & John Klabzuba

Jonathan Daniel Mitchell

Stillborn June 24, 1995
Cord Accident
Parents, Rebekah & Byron Mitchell
and big brother, Byron, Jr.
Given by Brewer, Brewer, Anthony & Middlebrook Law Firm

Amanda Morgan Galleger

Stillborn January 7, 1997
Trisomy 18
Given by parents, Diane & Steve Galleger
and little sister, Sydney

Carson Mitchell Shaw

Stillborn April 1, 1999
Cause Unknown
Given by parents, Aimee & Randy Shaw
and brother, Blake

Julia & Elisabeth Baker

Stillborn December 27, 1997
Twin to Twin Transfusion Syndrome
Given by parents, Evelyn & Karl Baker

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Online Resources

Resources published in the printed version of this newsletter can be accessed on the Internet directly from M.E.N.D.'s resource pages. To access the resource pages, navigate to the following URL:

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