

“The most beautiful people we have known are those who have known defeat, known suffering, known struggle, known loss, and have found their way out of the depths.

These persons have an appreciation, sensitivity, and an understanding of life that fills them with compassion, gentleness, and a deep loving concern.

Beautiful people do not just happen.”

Elizabeth Kubler-Ross

For more information contact:

Mother’s Against Drunk Driving

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Parents of Murdered Children

National POMC
100 East Eighth Street, Suite 202
Cincinnati, Ohio 45202
E-mail: natlpomc@aol.com
(513) 721-5683 (phone)
(513) 345-4489 (fax)
Toll Free: (888) 818-POMC

Compassionate Friends

Compassionate Friends
Space Coast Chapter
P.O. Box 360678
Melbourne, FL 32936-0678
(321) 610-7875

Crisis Services of Brevard

Dial 211
from cell or land line

National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-SAFE (7233)
or TTY 1-800-787-3224

National Center for Suicide Awareness and Prevention

1-800-273-TALK

Survivor of Homicide Services and



Victim Witness Services Office of the State Attorney 18th Judicial Circuit

2725 Judge Fran Jamieson Way
Building D
Viera, FL 32940
321-617-7555

A Message



We wish words could take away the pain...but they cannot. We are also truly sorry that the violent act of another has left you suffering the tragic, senseless death of a loved one and a frustrating battle navigating through the criminal justice system. Our hope is that this brochure offers helpful information to you during this very difficult time.

We are so very sorry,

Lisa DeAnda

Victim Witness Coordinator
Office of the State Attorney
18th Judicial Circuit

Your Rights as a Survivor of Homicide

- Notification of the arrest, release, or escape of the accused, if possible;
- Information on steps concerning freedom from intimidation;
- Advance notice of all court proceedings, if time permits;
- Prompt notification of the results of court proceedings;
- To be informed, present and heard, when relevant, at all criminal or juvenile proceedings;
- Assistance in obtaining Florida Crime Victim Compensation, restitution, and other services to which you may be entitled;
- Upon request, notification to your employer and/or school when you must appear in court;
- Opportunity to submit an oral or written impact statement at the time of bond hearing and sentencing.

Victim Services

A Victim Advocate provides case information, referrals to other agencies, accompaniment to court and other required appearances, assistance with Crime Victim Compensation and emotional support.

“It has been said. “time heals all wounds. I do not agree. The wounds remain. In time, the mind, protecting its sanity, covers them with scar tissue and the pain lessens. But it is never gone.”
Rose Kennedy

**You may be eligible for
Crime Victim Compensation
for medical bills, funeral bills, loss of support for dependent children and grief counseling.**

Please contact the
Victim Witness Services Division.
Our number is: **321-617-7555.**
If calling long distance
please call collect.