



PARENTS OF MURDERED CHILDREN

Wichita, KS Chapter

For the families and friends of those
who have died by violence

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UPCOMING MEETINGS

JUNE

June 13, 2017.
July 11, 2017.
Aug. 8, 2017

Second Tuesday of the month

MEETINGS HELD MONTHLY

Every 2nd Tuesday
7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Meeting Location

Woodland United Methodist Church
1100 W. 15th St. N.
Wichita, KS 67203

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DEADLINE FOR ITEMS FOR THE

JULY N/L is

June 23, 2017.

We invite all members to share
their thoughts, ideas and writings.

If there is something you'd like
to share please submit to the office.

JUNE POMC MEETING

See insert.

JULY POMC MEETING

Our May meeting was very successful when we
used the "To Tell The Truth" questions. We will
continue with these.

**Support group meeting parking on the North
side of the Church, enter through North door.**

2017 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Chapter Leader - Lisa Dean
Co-Leader - Harmon "Gil" Gilbow
Secretary/Treasurer - Clyde Lindsay
Office Assistant - Patricia Vogles

IMPORTANT:If your case has been solved, and the defendant is in prison, BE SURE TO KEEP THE DEPT. OF
CORRECTIONS INFORMED OF YOUR CURRENT NAME, ADDRESS & PHONE NUMBER so that when a
Parole Hearing or other information comes up, you can be notified!!!

Please join us at our next Support Group meeting, Tuesday, June 13, at 7:00 pm. We will be screening (with permission) the film "Mourning Son".



Dave Navarro (founding member of Jane's Addiction, and guitarist for the Red Hot Chili Peppers) lost his mother to murder at the hands of her ex-boyfriend when he was just 15 years old. The killer eluded justice for 8 years, and was even featured on "America's Most Wanted" in 1991. This is his story. The story of what happened to his mother, and how it affected him, and how he has dealt with it. It is a heartbreaking, painful, and gritty story of his coming to terms with the murder of his mother, and coming face to face with her killer. You can find a preview at <http://mourningsonthefilm.com/>

SPECIAL DAYS IN JUNE

Anniversary of Death

Janis Sanders *June 4th*
Beloved mother of Amanda & Nicole Sanders
Sister of Yvonne Cather and Johnnie Sanders
Sister-in-law of James Sanders
Sister & sister-in-law of Mike & Sandy Sanders
Sister-in-law of Bill Cather

Emma Jean Krueger *June 4th*
Great Granddaughter of Ralph & Marianne Krueger
Granddaughter of Candy Krueger
Niece of Meghan Lloyd, Tiffany Bean, Shawn Smith
Cousin f Jacob, Lexi, Sadie, Evan & Tanner

Chelsea & unborn child Alexa Brooks *June 9th*
Beloved daughter & granddaughter of
Darren & Terri Brooks
Sister & niece of Matt, Evan, Andrea & Emily
Granddaughter & great granddaughter of
Delbert & Delores Brooks
Granddaughter & great granddaughter of
Albert & Fran Treichel

Tammy Kershner *June 23rd*
Loving family

Cindy Garcia *June 27th*
Beloved daughter of Leroy & Marleene Garcia

Please Note - These names & dates have been
changed to a different format.

PLEASE CONTACT Corinne at 722-2907
if there needs to be additions or corrections.



Birthdays Remembered

Clarence Greenfield *June 6th*
Beloved husband of Becky Greenfield
Father of Jessica, Rebecca & Anthony
Grandfather of Alicia, Corbin & Gallin

German L. Clerici *June 7th*
Beloved son of Ana Mariscal
Brother of Augustin, Facundo Martin
Rodriguez and Luciano Rodriguez

Lowell White *June 11th*
Beloved son of Marshall & Vaunda White

Angela Duran-Ortiz *June 14th*
Beloved daughter of Margaret Duran
Beloved mother of Dominic & Esperanza Duran
and Ramon Duran-Ortiz
Sister of Jose & Adriana Duran
Cousin of Amanda, Brianna & Brandon Duran
Cousin of Chris Hecox
Niece of Dave Duran & Joe & Tonya Duran

Vincent T. Barnes *June 19th*
Beloved son of Bill & Nina Barnes
Brother of Jason & Alexia Barnes

Leslie Rice *June 24th*
Beloved granddaughter of Jim & Jan Van Huss
Niece of Stacey & Bobby Cargile
Niece of Karen & Ron Goodman
Niece of Debbie & Steve McDowell
Niece of Roger & Lupe Van Huss

Terry Lee Spivey *June 26th*
Beloved brother of Ricky Blake
Uncle of Christopher Spivey

Derek Dean Pritchett *June 27th*
Beloved son of James & Loyeen Pritchett
Brother of Sonya Lowry &
Stephanie Pritchett-Alexander

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Love Donations

Memorial in memory of Bob Hessman from Dodge City, KS

May Bingo Volunteers

Lisa Dean in memory of *Christopher Spivey*, *Alicia Drydale,
Deana King & Jessica Hacker in memory of *Ava King*,
Corinne Radke in memory of *Tom Kelley*,
Marti Skelton in memory of *Chance Pratt*,
Pat Voyles & in memory of *Julie Voyles*

**De-notes non-survivor*

BINGO every Thursday & Saturday night with Minis starting at 6:00 PM

Located at B & B Bingo, 1040 W. Pawnee, Wichita, KS
(Behind Meineke Car Care)

PLEASE NOTE -

We are asking for more volunteers to come forward. As you can see from the list of Bingo volunteers, we have a number of non-survivors helping us. We need more help! PLEASE come forward and help so that we can continue to help others!!

Picture Wall

It's never too late to send in a wallet size photograph of your loved one to be placed on the wall that will be taken to Memorial Services for viewing. There is no cost to post your loved one's picture and there are plenty of spaces available.

POMC MONUMENT

Located at 10th & Biting in North Riverside Park

We will need 8-10 names before we can add names to the Monument next time.

We have three names right now and will need at least five more to add names. If you need to set up a payment plan to add a name please call Corinne and I will take care of that. If we get those we will be adding them in September. THE CUT OFF DATE IS AUGUST 31, 2017.

NOTICE: The victim MUST have a "Kansas Connection".

If your loved one was killed in another state and you live in Kansas, that is considered a "Kansas Connection".

Our Monument was unveiled and dedicated on April 23, 1995.

It was re-dedicated September 25, 2005 after the move to the present location.

NOTE: We will be having our Annual National Day of Remembrance Memorial Service on September 24, 2017. We will be sending out more information around that time.

There has been several markings put on the Monument. It is illegal to deface any Monument. It will cost us a lot of money to have this removed and we don't have money to pay for it. RESPECT YOUR LOVED ONES - DON'T DEFACE ANY MONUMENT.

June - 2017

Hi Everyone,

Support Group meeting is on **Tuesday, June 12th**. We will be screening a movie called "Mourning Son". It is a documentary about a son coming to terms with his mother's murder. Come spend the evening with others who understand your loss.

2017 National POMC Conference is scheduled for August 3-6, 2017 in Irvine, California. You can find more information about the conference including hotel information and a downloadable conference brochure at the National POMC website – www.pomc.org Registration deadline is July 1st.

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES – The following are some of our ongoing fundraisers. If you have ideas of others, please let us know. We are always looking for innovative ideas to raise funds for the chapter.

– **Amazon** Shop through **Smile.Amazon.Com**. Pick "Parents Of Murdered Children Wichita, KS Chapter" and Amazon will donate a portion of their proceeds. It's that simple, and **doesn't add any additional to your purchase!!!!**

– **Dillon's Community Rewards**. If you shop at Dillon's and use their Rewards card, go online and link your card to the Chapter via their Community Rewards program, then shop as you normally do. They have instructions online, or contact me if you need help - www.dillons.com/communityrewards Look for Parents of Murdered Children – Wichita #39037. **NOTE: We no longer have to re-link our cards each year!**

– **Bingo & B&B Bingo**. We host Bingo sessions every Thursday and Saturday evening at B&B Bingo – Pawnee & Seneca (1040 W. Pawnee). Come & support **YOUR** Chapter by working or playing. **This fundraiser is what really keeps our chapter operating.** Please call Corinne (722-2907) to schedule a week you can work for training and to get on the schedule for future sessions. Volunteers need to be 18 years old. This is an excellent opportunity for those who need community service on their college applications!!! Sessions run only **4 hours per night** on Thursdays and Saturdays, and **we feed you** too!! **Please help us continue to help others.** We now have a Facebook page for the Bingo hall as well: **Find us here: <https://www.facebook.com/BandBBingo/>**

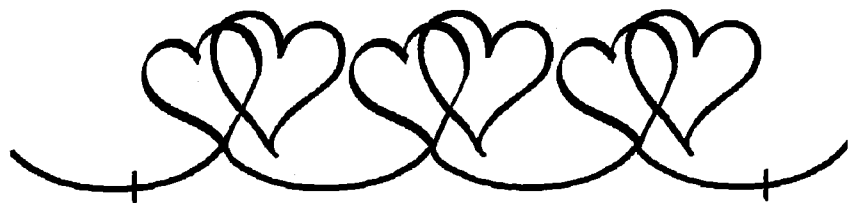
CHAPTER WEBSITE –http://www.pomc.com/chapters/wichita_kansas.htm We post newsletters here, contact information, and other pertinent info. Find us on Facebook as: **Parents Of Murdered Children, Inc - Wichita, KS Chapter.** **Feel free to submit items you want to share (pictures of loved ones, chapter events, etc.)** and also you can contact the Chapter through the FB page as well. <https://www.facebook.com/POMCWichita/> **I'm looking for someone to take over administration of our Facebook pages.** Please contact me if you are interested.

This will be my last newsletter page, as I am stepping down after many years as Chapter Leader. It has been a great experience for me, but it's time for me to change my focus to other things. Corinne, as Chapter Founder, has agreed to step back into the Chapter Leader role, so please give her your support. I still strongly believe in P.O.M.C. and their mission. I will still be around now and then, but merely taking a step back. My thanks to everyone who has supported me and helped me in the past.

Lisa Dean
Wichita, KS Chapter Leader

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*"Turn your face to the sun, and the shadows fall behind you." - Anonymous*



# DAD

By Lora Marie Wade  
Mishawaka, Indiana

Whenever he walked into a room, joy followed him, like a puppy, bounding in to catch you off guard and make you smile. There was a kindness – no it was more than that. A sweetness poured from his face through his eyes, like a balm, smoothing out the rough edges of a bad day.

Everywhere he went, people knew him, and he knew them. He knew who they were related to and where they came from. He would tell you all this, and somehow make a connection between you and whomever he was talking about, even if you didn't know any of them. People are all connected somehow, and he knew that. He wanted to communicate with you, with everybody for that matter.

Details of his personal life would spill into conversations with waitresses, sales clerks, and everyone who crossed his path. There were no ulte-

rior motives with him, no hidden agendas. What you saw was what you got. And it was good.

Love is what motivated him. Love for his wife, love for his children and grandchildren and love for his family and friends. These were the things that mattered. And he loved life! Each moment, each fraction of a second, he was right there in the moment, with you, always there with you.

That's what I miss the most, his being there with me. He was so happy, so comfortable with himself. He could make me feel that way, too, when I was there with him, even if I didn't feel that way at all. I miss him terribly because he gave me so much love, and he knew how to love so well.

It's made me a better person to have known him, and I try, every day, to be more like him. The more I do, the happier I am, and he knows that. He's

watching me, and I know someday I'll see him again, face-to-face, in spirit, if not in body.

When I do, the first thing I'm going to say to him is, "Thank you, Dad."



Your smile still sparkles,  
brightening my memories  
of moments long gone.

*haiku by Diantha Ain*



Parents Of Murdered Children does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, and age in the delivery of services.

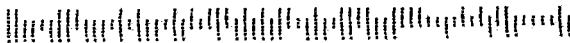
*Justice will only be achieved when those who are not injured by crime feels as indignant as those who are.*

Soloman (635-577 B.C.)

**POMC** Parents Of murdered Children, Inc. For the families and friends of those who have died by violence, is a self-help support organization made up of persons whose loved ones have been murdered.

### **Why We Are Here**

1. To support persons who survive the violent death of someone close as they seek to recover.
2. To provide contact with similarly bereaved persons and establish self-help groups that meet regularly.
3. To provide information about the greiving process and the criminal justice system as they pertain to survivors of a homicide victim.
4. To communicate with professionals in the helping fields about the problems faced by those surviving a homicide victim.
5. To increase society's awareness of these problems.



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