



A thousand words can't
bring you back
I know because I tried
And neither can a
million tears
I know because I cried.

~Author Unknown



Meetings: are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30 p.m.
Doors open at 6:15 p.m.
Location: St Anne Shrine (Parish Hall), 16 Church St, Sturbridge, MA
Chapter Leader – Sylvia Gaumont – 508-764-6170
Upcoming Meetings: November 18th and December 16th 2010

Light of Dawn

Light of Dawn
By James E. Stanley

I light a candle every day,
Hoping the pain will fade away,
But with the light of each new dawn,
Another day and your still gone



Poems

Light of Dawn
First Holiday
Christmas In Heaven



First Holiday

We lit a candle today,
To fill the empty place
Where you should be
But aren't
I stood with my hands cupping the flame
And felt the heat
the energy
Empty space between fire and flesh
Nothing visible
Nothing to see
And yet I knew it was there-
The energy touched my skin.
And so it was with you today.
Nothing visible-nothing to see.
And yet I knew you were here.
Your energy touched my heart.

- Sandy Goodman, ©2006



Our Children Remembered

Jill Ann Bilodeau
 05-10-74 – 09-09-01
 Tayler Corbeil Cameron
 05-07-81 – 10-08-04
 Michael Deslauriers
 02-26-67 – 07-27-07
 Bobby Digan
 03-23-73 – 05-23-91
 Brian P. Elliott
 02-16-62 – 12-28-06
 Jason Alan Gaumont
 06-06-72 – 01-27-04
 Douglas P. Horvath
 03-05-72 – 08-12-92

Christina Hunter
 07-08-89 – 08-18-08
 Melissa Johnson
 04-03-81 – 09-11-03
 Gregory Lusignan
 04-12-84 – 12-11-03
 Patrick Newell
 11-19-77 – 06-19-04
 Hollie J Paquette
 04-14-76 – 07-28-08
 Sadie Grace Pomeroy
 08-16-06 – 10-05-07
 David Powell
 04-03-70 – 08-07-10

Kevin Reardon
 04-23-85 – 04-17-00
 Randi Lee Swistak
 08-17-81 – 10-21-05

Our Celebration of Life Memorial Table

This special table is set up at our meetings for those who would like to share their child's (or grandchild's) birthday or angel anniversary during the month with the group. You are welcome to bring your child's favorite food, snacks or a birthday cake for our meeting refreshments. We encourage you to bring photos, and any special mementos to

share your child with us,



Loving You is Easy
 We Do It Everyday
 Missing You Is A Heartache
 That Never Goes Away.

Message Board

Message from the Chapter Leader

Welcome New members:

Jim & Katie Powell
 Patricia Sinko

At our next meeting on December 16th, we will have a candle lighting service to honor and remember our children during the holidays.

During the holiday season, whether you celebrate Christmas or Hanukah, it is our prayer that each of you will find peace in your heart, joy in your families and hope in the future.

Thank you to Mary Pepin who brought in a birthday cake in memory of her son Patrick. We were blessed in sharing this special day.



'Tis Christmas in heaven, what a beautiful sight!
I want you to know everything is all right,
The crib is adored with the brilliance of the star;
Wise men have come from near and far.
I've met all our dear ones who preceded me here;
The reunion was lovely, an event full of cheer.
And tonight we'll all gather
in reverence we'll kneel,
For the babe in the cradle, up in heaven is real!
I think of the family that I left behind.
And I pray that your Christmas
is as blessed as can be!
Please shed no more tears for my soul is at rest.
Just love one another and live life to its best!
Yes, it's Christmas in heaven,
So I've heard them say.
Yet, Christmas in heaven, happens everyday

Author Unknown



Bereaved means living the rest of our life with this loss...when we are bereaved, we don't wake up one morning "unbereaved"...we carry the loss and miss them and love them as long as we are alive!

Alan Pedersen