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RIS INFANTS REMEMBERED IN SILENCE

Whispers of the Heart Newsletter

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Offering parents, families, friends and professionals support, education and resources on the death of a child in early pregnancy, or from premature birth, stillbirth, neo-natal death, birth defects, sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS), illness, accidents, and all other types of infant and early childhood death.

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Diana Kelley Founded in 1987

From Diana's Desk

Many of you have been asking about who the founder of IRIS is and what's with the name change.

In June I officially returned to my maiden name of Kelley. (Sundwall was my married name) It's still me. All of my contact information has stayed the same. If you happen to see anything on the internet with the wrong last name, address, phone number, email, or website please notify the office so we can make corrections or better yet contact the host and ask them to please update their record, files, posts, etc. Thank You!

Diana Kelley Founder & Executive Director Infants Remembered In Silence 218 3rd Ave. NW Faribault, MN 55021 (507) 334-4748 support@irisRemembers.com

St Annual IRIS REPORT SKWalk, DOT Trock Gobble Wobble

8th Annual IRIS Turkey Trot Thanksgiving Morning November 24, 2016

Faribault Middle School 704 17th St. SW, Faribault, MN

Check-in and Registration November 23rd from 4pm - 6:30pm November 24th 7am - 8am

Event Times:

- 7:50 am Line Up Kids Events 8:20 am - 5K & 10K Line Up 8:30 am - 10K Timed Run 8:35 am - 5K Timed Run
- 8:40 am 5K Walk

It's not too late to join in, to create a team, to donate to a team, to raise funds for a great cause. This is IRIS's largest fundraiser and we would greatly appreciate your support.

"Remember Me"

Remember me when flowers bloom, Early in the spring. Remember me on sunny days, In the fun that summer brings. Remember me in the fall, As you walk through the leaves of gold. And in the wintertime ~ remember me In the stories that are told. But most of all, remember Each day ~ right from the start, I will be forever near, For I live with your heart. 23rd Annual IRIS Holiday Service of Remembrance



Parents, family, and friends are invited to attend this special service.

December 4, 2016

2 PM

Chapel of the Good Shepherd On Shattuck Campus 1000 Shumway Ave Faribault, MN

The IRIS Holiday Service is designed to help you start the holiday season by remembering and honoring your child. If you would like to have your child listed in the keepsake program please complete the enclosed form.

More information can be found in the online version of this newsletter.



Vacationing While Grieving By Bo's Place—Healing Hearts Newsletter

The first family vacation after a loved one has died can be wrought with emotion and uncertainty. What will it be like without your loved one? Will you feel guilty trying to enjoy yourself? While you cannot take a vacation from grief, there are actually good reasons why vacations – even

short ones - are beneficial to the grief process.

• **Grief is isolating:** Those who are grieving often feel disconnected. Planning a vacation and engaging with the outside world again may remind you that you're not alone.

• **Grief is hard work:** In fact, it's likely the hardest work you will ever do. While it may not be realistic to expect that you can leave the pain of grief behind, a change of scenery may allow you to grieve together as a family while offering some much needed distraction, as well.

• **Traveling can provide insight:** When we venture into unknown territory, we are forced to confront ourselves and each other in a different way. Stepping outside of our comfort zone can put us in closer touch with our feelings and help us process our emotions with new insight.

If you're apprehensive about a week-long vacation, consider a day-trip or a long weekend. A vacation can be as simple as a day at a theme park or a hike in the hills. In addition to your length of stay, consider the destination. It may feel right to visit a place that holds special meaning for your lost loved one or your family. Or you may decide that it is better to visit a new place. You may wish to memorialize your loved one on the vacation by organizing something in their honor or reflecting on their absence.

Talk with your family to assess expectations and desires. What does everyone hope to get out of the vacation? How does each family member think they will feel? Just because the family is at Disney World, for example, does not mean that Mom won't have some sad moments and need some time to cry.

Like much of the grieving process, the timing and destination of that first vacation after a death will be unique to you and your family. And while it will certainly be different from past vacations, it can be an important step in your family's grief process.

We at IRIS would like to add that Vacationing during the Holidays does add to the stress and expectations others may have for you. Be clear in your explanation of your reasons to travel during the holidays and expectations for yourselves. You can not run from grief, you are already out of your comfort zone, try not to upset everyone by "running from the holidays". Have an honest conversation, explain why you will be gone, and when you will return.



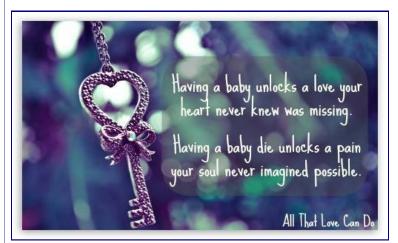
Participants with their Gallery on the Go, dragonfly paintings

A big thank you to all those who participated in, or volunteered their time for, our Mother's Day Brunch, and to the Congregational Church (next door to the IRIS House) who donated the use of their hall and kitchen. A wonderful brunch was prepared by Kelly and Ron Landsverk and Jean Silkey. Natalie Crooks sang a song and dedicated an angel picture that was donated to the IRIS House in memory of her son Preson. Pictured below are the Angel Picture and a sketch of Preston.





An Angel in the book of life, wrote down your baby's birth, and whispered as she closed the book, to beautiful for earth.





2016 Holiday Service of Remembrance

Registration Form

To have a child's name listed in the program, please have this form to the IRIS office by <u>No-vember 28, 2016 at 5 pm.</u> Mail, email, or drop off at the IRIS office (218 Third Ave. NW, Faribault MN 55021)

Names received after 5 pm on November 28th will be listed on a program insert. Names will be accepted through the start of the Service on December 4th.

Names are **NOT** held over from year to year. You must submit names every year.

| Parents Name: | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Address: | City/State/Zip: | |
| Phone: | 0 | |
| E-mail Address: | | |

- □ I / We will be attending this year's service. Family & friends are welcome.
- I/We will bringing pictures, keepsakes and/or holiday items to decorate the chapel windows ~ This is highly Recommended - No flames or water please.
- □ I / We would like to take part in the Holiday Service of Remembrance by:
 - **□** Reading a poem, letter of scripture, etc.
 - □ Singing or playing an instrument
 - Donate a Christmas Ornament in memory of my child for the IRIS Christmas Tree (Bring an ornament with your child's name and dates on it and place on the tree at the service. Ornaments will be used yearly at the Holiday Service & at the IRIS House)
 - **D** Bring Treats to share during reception that follows service
 - Help with Set up on Saturday December 3rd at 2 pm
 - Help with Clean up on Sunday December 4th following the service
 - Other/Suggestions welcome:

□ I / We would like to have the following child / children remembered during the service.

| Child's full name | Phonetic pronunciation |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| Child's full name | Phonetic pronunciation |



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IRIS Holiday Service Of Remembrance



The Infants Remembered In Silence, Inc. (IRIS) Holiday Service of Remembrance has been held annually since 1994. We all know that the holidays are a very special time for children, and seem to be geared for them, but as a parent whose child has died, how do we navigate the holidays?

The IRIS Holiday Service of Remembrance is a very unique service that can help with the emotions, fears, frustrations, and anxiety of the season. Many parents who attend have stated "I need to remember and honor my child first, so that I can survive the holidays." You are encouraged to attend the service and are welcome to invite your family and friends to attend with you. This special service will be held on:

> Sunday December 4th, 2016 2 pm Chapel of the Good Shepherd Shattuck Campus 1000 Shumway Ave. Faribault, MN

The IRIS Holiday Service of Remembrance is designed by and for parents, family, and friends who have experienced or been touched by the death of a child in early pregnancy (miscarriage, ectopic pregnancy, etc.) or from stillbirth, premature birth, neonatal death, birth defects, sudden infant death syndrome (SIDS), sudden unexplained death of a child (SUDC), illness, accidents and all other types of infant or early childhood death. Everyone is welcome regardless of how long ago the child died or the cause of death. Those attending are encouraged to participate by decorating the chapel windows, reading poems, providing music, and/or bringing treats for the reception that follows the service.



Having Your Child Remembered

If you would like to have a child/children remembered during the candle lighting

part of the service, please complete the enclosed form and return to the IRIS office by November 28th. Names that are received after the 28th will be listed on an insert .

Decorating Chapel Windows



Decorating the Chapel Windows has become a very special tradition of the IRIS Holiday Service. You are encouraged to bring any keepsake items that you would like to display in the windows. Keep in mind that you will be sharing the window area and working with other parents to create a loving display. You will be in charge of placing your child's/children's keepsakes in a window and clearing the area when the reception is over. Suggested items for window displays include: scrapbooks, blankets, pictures, poems, holiday items, etc. There will be volunteers on hand to answer questions and help you however they can. No flames or water allowed in the displays. Due to the magnitude of this project, IRIS will not be able to return items sent to us. Everyone is welcome to visit the displays during the reception that follows the service.

The Chapel of the Good Shepherd will open at 12 noon for anyone wishing to setup window keepsake displays early.



Your Participation

Is Needed

One of the things that make the Holiday Service so very special is the participation of

parents, family and friends. We would love to have your help with the reading of poems, singing, playing an instrument, reading a scripture, decorating the chapel windows, and/or providing treats for the reception that follows the service. You will find signup information on the registration form. Please help make this a very special service by sharing your time and talents.



Memorial Poinsettias

IRIS will again be selling poinsettias. Poinsettias will be labeled and delivered to the Chapel of the Good Shepherd. You will be able to take them home following the reception. If you would like to order a poinsettia for yourself or as a gift for family and friends please fill out the Holi-

day Service Registration Form and return it to the IRIS office by November 28th.



Sharing Information on the Holiday Service

Please feel free to share the information on the Holiday Service Remembrance with others. You are welcome and encouraged to invite your family and friends to

the service as well as other bereaved parents. If you would like you are welcome to ask your local churches, newspapers, TV and radio stations to run information about the service.







Siblings and Children at the Holiday Service

This is a difficult topic to approach, and it brings up many emotions for everyone involved. Because of concerns voiced in previous years, parents with children under the age of 6 years of age are lovingly requested to sit in the back of the chapel close to the restroom and exit. Children who can sit quietly for two (2) hours are welcome to attend the service. Out of consideration and compassion for other grieving parents, you are asked to take children out of the Chapel if they are crying, talking, making noise of any kind, disrupting others in any manner or are restless. If you have questions, concerns or would like to discuss the issue please call Diana at the IRIS office 507.334.4748.



"Heavenly Notes".

"Heavenly Notes" are letters or ... "notes" written to your precious child and placed in the sleigh basket, located by the alter, at the IRIS Holiday Service of Remembrance.

"Heavenly Notes"_© are never read by anyone, you are free to say or express whatever you like. Following the service, notes are burned and some of the ashes scattered at the IRIS Office.

Because "Heavenly Notes" \odot program is so well received we are opening it up to everyone around the world. If you are unable to attend the IRIS Holiday Service of Remembrance you, your family, and friends are invited to write a Heavenly Note and mail it to:

"Heavenly Notes" Infants Remembered In Silence 218 3rd Ave. NW Faribault, MN 55021 USA





Stained Glass Keepsake Box

IRIS is currently taking orders this year's Holiday Memorial, a 3" x 3" x 2" Stained Glass Keepsake Box. Each box is one of a kind and 100% custom made by Jim Pichner. Your box can be personalized with a name, date(s), message, symbol etc. or leave natural. Order as many as you would like. Orders "received" by 5 pm on <u>No-vember 25th</u>, will be available for pick up at the December 4th Holiday Service. Orders "received" between November 25th and December 4th, will be available for pick-up or delivery by Christmas. Order Online at: www.irisRemembers.org OR mail form with fee to: IRIS, 218 3rd Ave. NW Faribault, MN 55021. Please provide the following info for each box:

| | Box Color: | Pink | Blue | White | |
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| Personalization/Symbol: | | | | | |
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Holiday Service of Remembrance Poinsettias

Poinsettias are \$14.97 each, and are available in Red or White. You are welcome to order as many as you like and take them with you following the Holiday Service, pick up at the IRIS Office, or to have donated. Please provide the name you would like on each Poinsettia.

Names for Card: _____

Names for Card:

| Your Name: | | |
|------------|------------|--|
| Address: | | |
| City: | State:Zip: | |
| Phone #: | E-mail: | |

| Qty | Item | Price (Tax included) | Extended Price |
|-----|----------------------|---|----------------|
| | BLUE - Keepsake Box | \$19.97 | |
| | PINK - Keepsake Box | \$19.97 | |
| | WHITE - Keepsake Box | \$19.97 | |
| | RED - Poinsettia | \$14.97 | |
| | WHITE - Poinsettia | \$14.97 | |
| | | Shipping - \$12 per Keepsake Box (optional) | |
| | | Donation | |
| | | Total Due | |



Infant Memorials Given in Loving Memory of...

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- **Blake Robert Stadler** Cheryl Fleck
- Scott Carver Judy Carver
- **Bethany & William DeGrood** Connie & Joe DeGrood
- **Baby Wolfe** Sarah Wolfe
- Payton Lee Prechel Brianna & Ryan Prechel
- Allison Mary Prechel Brianna & Ryan Prechel
- **Daniel James Piepho** Grandma & Grandpa Ryks
- Paige Elizabeth Mammen Katlyn Beecken—Footprints for Paige Virtual 5K Participants
- Finley Rae LaCanne & Chase **Douglas LaCanne** Grandma & Grandpa LaCanne
- Aubrey Dozark Peter Dozark
- **Carolyn Ann Dozark** Peter Dozark
- Anthony Michael Zimprich Vanessa & Jon Zimprich Jean & Dennis McBride
- Maren Elise Kolbeck Schieck Kim & Charles Bishop
- Logan Joseph Babcock Belinda Larson
- **Daniel Robert Novak** Karen & Donald Novak
- **Kirby Children** Justin Kirby
- Arlo and Job Gustafson Mary & Ryan Gustafson
- JJ Wolf Amy & James Wolf
- Vivian DeBruzzi Nina & Sean DeBruzzi
- **Christian Kreisel** Julie & Larry Kriesel
- Erin Grace Kriesel Julie & Larry Kriesel
- Wyatt Michael Bauer Emily & Matthew Gersemehl Denise & Troy Johnson Maryann & Robert Kaul Rebecca & Craig Keilen Tina & Dewayne Hlavac Sandra Jandro Kim & Scott Trebelhorn

- **Elijah Timothy Bell** v **Bruzek Funeral Home**
- Addison Sommers ¥ Bunny & Rick Sommers
- **Blake Wilson** ¥ Cindy & Gary Hoganson
- Sara Connelly Jones v Inez Earl
- Mallory Swichtenberg ¥ Edwin Krause
- Isaiah Elzen ۷ Margaret & Gary Elzen
- **Kristen Stortz** Heather & Carl Stortz Carol & Bernhard Gluth Lisa Sweeney Rojean Sweeney
- In Memory of Kathy ¥ Patricia & Dennis Germann
- **Hazel May Mielke** ¥ Hailey Harn-Warner
- **Brielle Trcka** Rae & Matthew Trcka
- Korbin Allan LeMieux ¥ Becky & Allan Baker
- **Camille McClatchey** ¥ Mari Mvre Susan & Scott Peterson Washington SAC Families Mark Moonan Walbran Mary Wirt
- v **Baby Havumaki** Christina Havumaki
- Renna Rose Gatz ¥ Lori's Embroidery & More
- Jake Michael Schaffran ¥ Cheryl Schaffran
- **Derek Joseph Sundwall** ¥ **Diana Kelley** Angie Sundwall Joan & Randy Paulson



Brandt Babies Elizabeth & Eric Brandt

Angie and Dan Neubauer Neubauer Memorial Fund Blue Sky Mechanical

Joshuah Neubauer

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- **Catherine Rose Allen** . Christine & Scott Allen
- **James Felix Barrera** Vickie Gleason

Brooke Marie Bauer Britt & Aaron Bauer

- **Finnegan James Hill** Lisa Reuvers
- Kelly Jean Vandereide Marianne & Jay Vandereide
- Erica Kay Vandereide . Marianne & Jay Vandereide
- **Baby Girl Jones** ¥ Fr. Henry Doyle
- Maren Schieck Jacquelyn & Tanner Schieck
- Garrett Robert Sterling Amy & Bradley Sterling
- Joseph Thomas Markman Lori Jo & Todd Markman Toni & Harold Amundson
- Sara Jane Murray Toni & Harold Amundson
- Alexa Kay Gergen Jenny & Tom Gergen
- v **Gladys Barsness**
- Jessica & Jason Krohn Joanne Ballard
- **James Richard Brown IV** Nancy Tannehill-DuPont
- Elizabeth & Eric Brandt
- **Faith Brandt** Elizabeth & Eric Brandt
- Grace Brandt Elizabeth & Eric Brandt
- Noah and Abigail Brandt . Elizabeth & Eric Brandt

- v
- **Merissa Mueller**

- - **Hope Brandt**





Adult Memorials

- Marilyn Evenstad ¥ Diana Kelley
- Anneliese Cassidy ¥ Nancy & Lawrence Baldwin
- **Carol Pickett** ¥ Al Brodie Diana Kelley
- Jerome Raidt ¥ Margaret & JD Walker
- **Brian Ziemer** ¥ Becky & Allan Baker
- Hal Olson ¥ Becky & Allan Baker
- Jakes Daddy Jamie Schaffran w Chervl Schaffran
- Allison Krause ¥ Edwin Krause
- **Bernice Stangler** ¥ Sandy Stangler
- **Don Gilbertson** ¥ **Diana Kelley**
- **Diana Severin** ¥ **Diana Kelley**
- **Dolly Lingenfelter** ¥ Diana Kelley



A Little Piece of Us in Heaven By Pam Bortner

There is a little piece of us in Heaven, Part of us has already made it there. Daddy's nose, Daddy's Cheeks, Daddv's feet.

My hands. Does he have curly hair?

Our best parts are already in Heaven, For he was beautiful. You see, it is our son who is in Heaven.

He had a short, but special, life here on earth, But God chose to have a little piece of us Up in Heaven with Him.

We know you will do all the things that his parents cannot do.

We know you are holding him. "God, please hold us, too.

Helen Kelley

(Diana Kelley's Mother) Lynette & Dale Andera Bob Thorson **Catherine Benkert** Elaine & David Bergan Cindy & Franz Boelter Kari & Scott Boldt Karen & John Cierzan Barbara & Dennis Cowan Kathy & Doug Donovan Fr. Henry Doyle Larry Evenstad Jeanenne & Kenneth Ferrie Theresa & Bernie Flintrop Lois & Ole Gjerald Phyllis & Duane Hauber Connie & Alan Hauber Walter Hecht Vy Jerrow JJ Johnson Anne Johnson Becky & Ed Johnson Misti & John Johnson K of C Ladies Auxiliarv Deb Kittlesen Anita & Randy Krieg Lori Jo & Todd Markman Linda Murphy Marilynn & Wayne Nelson Laura & Nick O'Connor Janell & Johnny Partyka Margaret & David Paukert Joan & Randy Paulson Marvel Beiser Karen Petersmever Joanne & Jim Pichner Arlene Schroder Amy & Mark Selly Jean Silkev Pat & Judd Toale Lin & Rick Velzke Margaret & JD Walker Lori & Bob Mickelson Linda Desaer & DeanThorson **Diana Kelley** Angie, Andy, Jeff & Caitlin Sundwall



someone Is your heart's way Of reminding you That you love them.



You may see me struggle, but you'll never see me quit.

New MN Stillbirth \$2.000 Tax Credit And Certificate of Birth **Resulting in Stillbirth** Paperwork

MN Stillbirth Tax Credit

MN residents who lose a child to stillbirth are eligible for a one-time \$2,000 tax credit for the year the stillbirth occurred.

This tax credit is available to parents of stillbirth children born on or after January 1, 2016. MN defines stillbirth as the unintended death of a baby at 20 or more gestational weeks.

To receive the Tax Credit parents must obtain a Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth, which is issued from the MN Department of Health.

Newly Updated Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth Form can be found at:

http://www.health.state.mn.us/divs/chs/os r/stillbirth.html

IRIS has copies of the NEW Paperwork that is required to be Notarized. Diana is happy to notarize your paperwork.

REMEMBER: You MUST have this Certificate to be eligible for the Tax Credit and the Tax Credit is ONLY for the year the child was born.



A Poem for Joshua By Joanie Sluhl

A beautiful child, fair of face A Mother's love, a warm embrace A Father's strength, yet gentle to touch. This child knows he's loved very much.

A love so new, and so pure. He hears you. I am sure. For where he is, there Is no doubt The angels sing and trumpets shout.

For God is there to guide his way, To bless his soul in a loving way. Our hearts are empty, but in its place. Is a beautiful child, fair of face.

> For nothing beautiful can ever be forgotten.

Love, happiness and peace in heaven. ~ Love Joanie



Thank You For Your Donations of Time, Talent, and Supplies

- Shattuck-St.Mary's Students -Hands Across Faribault Volunteers
- Donahue's Greenhouse flowers
- Mortenson Fire & Safety Fire Extinguishers
- Faribault Futures Class of 2016 -Basement/house Renovation
- Dusty Dienst and Jason LaVoi -Electrical work
- Floor to Ceiling vinyl flooring
- Baby blanket, hats, Prayer Shawls, & sewing - Kathy Brady, Shrividhya Subramaniam, Tom Speight, Christina Schultz, Sherri DeBettignies, Dorothy Walkenhauer, Judy Smith, Carol Underferth, Libby Schmit, Lorna Zinche, Jean Farr, Divine Mercy, Theresa Flintrop, First English, Carol Kaune, and Diana Kelley
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- Lori & Bob Mickelson House/office supplies
- Jean Silkey bookshelves, supplies, & chairs
- Laura & Nick O'Connor office desk
- Amy Mickelson Metal Shelf
- Trotman Family Wooden Shaker Boxes
- Erin Mammen "Paige Bears" Teddy Bears
- Amy Selly, Holly Ready & Friends, Owatonna MOPS - Scrapbook supplies & Organizing of supplies
- Kristi Nordaas stamps
- Cedar Chiropractic (Dr. Brian Gfrerer) - copy paper for the year
- Connie DeGrood & Kathy Hallenger - decorated cookies for special events

Heaven's Angels Motorcycle Run

- Lucid Tattoo gift certificate
- Brian Jindra and Sport Wheels for Trophy parts
- Harley Davidson Faribault Lunch, prizes, starting location
- Brooke Jordan Pizzas at Bike Show
- Renae Hennes Pizzas at Bike Show
- Carriage House Liquor gift card
- Cumulus Media/Graham Swart/93X concert tickets and Twins tickets
- Marc Hallin Trophies and more

Friends of IRIS

Cash Donations

Capital Campaign Donation

Suzy's Smile Shines Golf Tournament \$4,000

Donations \$10,000 and over

 Cities97 (iHeart Media) - Cities97 CD Sampler Sales

Donations \$2,000 and over

- Legacy of Angels Endowment Fund
- Minnesota Valley Electric Trust

Donations \$1,000 - \$1,999

- Northfield Hospital & Clinics
- WINGS (Women In Northfield Giving Support)

Donations \$500 - \$999

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- Church of St. Dominic
- Insty Prints (Shine Grant)
- Verizon Volunteer Program Tanya Anderson

Donations \$250 - \$499

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- Divine Mercy School
- Sertoma Club Faribault
- St. Patrick's Church CCW Sheildsville
- National Christian Foundation of the Twin Cities

Donations up to \$250

- SW Deanery of CCW
- Faribo Farm & Home
- Images 4 Life (Laura Knopik)
- Boldt Funeral Home
- Grandma's TLC Customers
- Moose Lodge # 2098
- Divine Mercy Church
- Brenda Dorr Premier Jewelry Party
- Amazon Smiles
- Our Savior's Lutheran Church

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Dodge County United Way
 Northfield United Way
 United Way of Faribault

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- Baby Yarn (Pastel colors)
- Yard Trash Bags
- Avery Labels 5160
- Kleenex
- Furnace Filters (16x25x1)
- Cleaning supplies
- Volunteers



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Margaret & JD Walker

Donations in Honor of

Volunteers of all kinds are

needed with all levels of

experience! Volunteers are the

heart and soul of IRIS.

Jami Gentry

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Elizabeth Deanovic

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And Much More!

A Parent's Love Never Dies Committee

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In This Newsletter:

- Turkey Trot
- IRIS Holiday Service of Remembrance
- Bronze Statue For IRIS House
- NEW \$2,000 Stillbirth Tax Credit

"A Parents Love Never Dies"



The story of the Angel

It started with the founding of Infants Remembered In Silence, Inc. © in 1987 and a desire to honor the memory of all children. As grieving parents, we believe we have found the ideal way to tangibly honor the memories of millions of children.

Our Goal: To raise \$100,000 to purchase the "I Knew You In The Womb" bronze statue for the IRIS Office. Please **Donate TODAY** to honor the memories of all children. Please share with others so the grieving can know the power of healing. Donations accepted at: www.irisRemembers.org or GoFundMe.com: (A Parents Love Never Dies) www.gofundme.com/parentsloveproject?ssid=804660029&pos=1

Statue Description: An angel weeping over an empty cradle is a powerful image and a touching memorial to children. The statue is life-sized. It is pure bronze, 50" tall, 36" wide, 66" long and weighs over 700 pounds. All funds raised go to Infants Remembered In Silence, Inc. © a 501(c)3 non-profit organization, making your Donation tax deductible.

Questions: Please contact a member of the "A Parents Love Never Dies" Committee at: Infants Remembered In Silence - 218 3rd Ave. NW - Faribault, MN 55021 - Phone: (507) 334-4748 Email: <u>Support@irisRemembers.com</u>

Small Statues for Sale

This solid resin-stone cast is coated in a realistic bronze finish and is mounted on a solid matt black base. Each replica is detailed by hand to the exacting standards of this modern day master sculptor. Each miniature replica is 7.75" H x 4.5" W X 8" D and weighs approx 5 pounds 8oz. The "I Knew You In The Womb" Statue can be personalized with your child's name, date, etc. Visit our Website for details <u>www.irisRemembers.org</u> or contact the IRIS Office: (507) 334-4748 or email: support@irisRemembers.com