

Candlelight Memorial Event Honoring Children's Grief Awareness Day at Emma's Place on November 18, 2021

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CHILDREN'S GRIEF AWARENESS DAY -2021

To commemorate Children's Grief Awareness Day on November 18, 2021, approximately 40 adults and children gathered at Emma's Place cottage at Snug Harbor to participate in a Candlelight Memorial Service at their cottage in Snug Harbor. Children's Grief Awareness Day was created so adults would gain awareness of how critical it is for children to receive support when they lose a loved one, which is what Emma's Place is devoted to doing. Prior to the candlelight ceremony, the children painted ornaments to honor their loved ones, and also were provided with delicious snacks. For more details you can read about the event in the article that was printed in the Staten Island Advance. Emma's Place holds candlelight vigil in honor of Children's Grief Awareness Day - silive.com. A big thank you to Sebastian Cavallo, of Pegasus Productions, who supplied the magical lighting for the event, all our sponsors, and Nicole Mondlock, of Baked With Love by Nicole for donating her delicious cupcakes. Since pictures are worth 1,000 words, please see the pictures below which illustrate the love and meaning of this event.



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At Emma's Place you will:

- Be supported by those who have journeyed through their own path of grief.
- Find a community of welcoming, caring, and committed individuals who will listen.
- Learn healthy grief processing in a private, safe-setting which facilitates healing while offering the hope and tools to move forward to a meaningful life.

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We Rely on YOU:

Our Center is supported through donations, grants, memorials and bequests; which will allow us to provide grief services, at no cost, to children and families in the community.

If you would like to support Emma's Place and help grieving children and families you can:

- Mail a check, made out to Staten Island Grief Center, to: Emma's Place P.O. Box 10311 Staten Island, NY 10301
- Donate online at: www.emmasplacesi.org/ donate

Emma's Place staff members are also available for training and educational presentations. To contact us please call: 347.850.2322 or email: info@emmasplacesi.org

We greatly appreciate your generosity!

EMMA'S PLACE GROUP SCHEDULE

In-person:

Bi-weekly – 1st & 3rd Thursdays

Littles Ages 4-5 at 3:30 pm – with Counselors Dr. Carolyn Taverner & Olivia Cimino Children Ages 6-10 at 4:00pm with Carolyn & Olivia

Virtually:

Bi-weekly - 1st & 3rd Wednesdays

Tweens Ages 11-14 at 4:30 with Counselors Jessica (Jessie) Capuozzo & Christina McCarthy Teens Ages 15-17 at 5:30pm with Jessica (Jessie) & Christina

EMMA'S PLACE HAPPY-NINGS

Halloween at Emma's Place



Thank you to Staten Island's Giving Circle who commissioned Josue Mendez, JM Custom Studios, to paint this beautiful mural for the Emma's Place cottage.



HOLIDAY REMEMBRANCE ACTIVITY

Below is a suggested activity you could do with a child who is missing a loved one this holiday season. Suggested Materials: Gift Boxes, Wrapping Paper, Ribbons and Bows, Clay, Drawing Paper, Crayon Markers, and Stickers.

Instructions:

- 1. Help the child draw either a Kwanzaa Kinara, Hanukkah Menorah, or Christmas Tree.
- 2. Either on the candles of the Menorah and Kinara, or on the Ornaments on the Christmas Tree have children or write about a special gift that their loved one had given to them.
- 3. Then give the child a gift box to use to create a present which represents all the gifts their loved one had given them.
- 4. The children can either draw, use clay, or use stickers to represent the gifts to fill the gift box with.
- 5. Have the children wrap the present, and then they can unwrap anytime they would like to remember the gifts from their loved one during these holiday

As an additional activity, the child can either write a thank you card to their loved one for the gifts, or a holiday card for the loved one, telling them something they have been wanting to say to them.

