



A non-profit organization providing meaningful and accessible grief support and education. Headquartered in Denver, Colorado



3-Month Calendar - April-June 2024

Register online at heartlightcenter.org/events-calendar or contact us 720.748.9908 or info@heartlightcenter.org

Upcoming Special Events

Educational Signature Series – Virtual

Matthew Griffin Presentation: The Treasure in the Trauma

Date: Tuesday, April 9th **Time:** 8-10am (PT)/ 9-11am (MST)/ 10-12pm (CT)/ 11-1pm (EST) **location:** Zoom

A program for grief and end of life care professionals, as well as anyone in the community who has experienced a loss or is supporting a griever.

In this presentation, Matt will explore the idea that even in the midst of our most difficult experiences, there is often a hidden treasure waiting to be discovered. Trauma can take many forms. It can leave us lost, broken and alone. But what if we could shift our perspective and see trauma as an opportunity for growth and transformation? What if we could turn the pain into progress?

A father, a former Navy Search and Rescue Swimmer, law enforcement officer, an undercover cop who spent years pretending to be someone he was not, Matt decided he had nothing left to offer his ex-wife, his family, his friends, or his community. But God had bigger plans - a chance phone call only hours before he decided he'd crawl into his SUV and put his gun to his head, stopped him in his tracks, and changed his life. Matt will share his personal journey of healing and how he discovered the treasure behind the trauma. He will offer practical tools and strategies that worked for him and what he learned through the research for his 4x #1 bestselling book "The Journey to Midnight."

Registration Required. Certificate of Completion provided upon request to professionals in attendance.

Upcoming VIRTUAL Grief Support Programs

First Steps: Virtual Seminar – A Comprehensive Guide to Financial Matters After Death

Upcoming Dates: Apr 11, Apr 25, May 9, May 23, June 13, June 27 start time: 5pm PT / 6pm MST / 7pm CT / 8pm ET

location: Zoom

Bring your questions and get helpful information and tools for handling practical matters after a death loss – discuss financial matters, get a better understanding of what documents you'll need and how to get them, what professionals to connect with, how to close accounts and file claims, and more.

Seminar is free of cost.

Workbook also available on our website for \$30 in hard-copy or PDF.

Weekly Support Groups - VIRTUAL

VIRTUAL FACING THE MOURNING 4-WEEK GROUP

April dates: Mon Apr 1, 8, 15 & 22 time: 4pm (PT)/5pm (MST)/6pm (CT)/7pm (EST)

June dates: Thurs June 6, 13, 20 & 27 time: 4pm (PT)/5pm (MST)/6pm (CT)/7pm (EST)

Cost: \$65 + shipping (includes a participant manual) An interactive support group designed to help with the grieving process by using visual and thought-provoking tools.

Registration required.

Facing the Mourning Facilitator Training - VIRTUAL

Dates: May 17th **start time:** 10-11am (CT)/11-1pm (MST)/12-2pm (CT)/1-3pm (EST) **Location:** Zoom

For professionals who would like to offer the 4-week Facing the Mourning program to their organizations or communities, we invite you to join us for training opportunities to learn facilitating this program by Facing the Mourning expert, Jennifer McBride.

Cost: \$85 + shipping (includes a Facilitator Manual and the 2-hour training program) Registration Required.

Grief Support Workshops - VIRTUAL

Registration online is required to receive Zoom link.

MINDFULNESS PRACTICES FOR SELF-CARE location: Zoom

upcoming dates: Wed. April 24th start time: 3pm PT / 4pm MST / 5pm CT / 6pm ET

Mindfulness is the act of paying attention and being aware of the present moment - internally and externally - in the here and now. Mindfulness practices help us to live fully in the present moment, to observe our thoughts and feelings free of judgment. In this workshop, we will gain a better understanding about mindfulness and use of tools that can help with coping with our grief and attunement to the present. Suggested Donation: \$20. Space is Limited. Registration is required.

TAKE A PAUSE... WITH HEALING LAUGHTER location: Zoom

upcoming dates: Thurs. May 16th start time: 3pm PT / 4pm MST / 5pm CT / 6pm ET

Laughter, coupled with varied movement and Yogic breathing brings oxygen to our body and brain making you feel healthier and more energetic and can help when we're feeling "stuck" emotionally. No traditional yoga poses are used and no experience is required. Suggested Donation: \$20 Registration is required.

Ongoing Monthly Grief Support Groups - VIRTUAL

Registration online is required to receive Zoom link. Groups typically run 90-minutes in length, Suggested Donation \$15

LOSS OF A PARENT(S)

upcoming dates: Mon. Apr 1, May 6, June 3 **start time:** 6pm PT / 7pm MST / 8pm CT / 9pm ET For those who have experienced the death of a parent or adult caregiver. Meets the first Monday monthly.

GENERAL GRIEF GROUP - GROWING THROUGH GRIEF

upcoming dates: Wed. Apr 3, May 1, June 5 start time: 6pm PT / 7pm MST / 8pm CT / 9pm ET upcoming dates: Tues. Apr 16, *May 20, June 18 start time: 3pm PT / 4pm MST / 5pm CT / 6pm ET

Open to anyone who has experienced a death loss, helpful for those who are newly bereaved and/or new to our program. Meets the first Wednesday (7pm MST) and third Tuesday (4pm MST) monthly.

*Please note date change for this meeting.

LOSS OF A SPOUSE/PARTNER

upcoming dates: Wed. Apr 10, May 8, June 12 **start time:** 5pm PT / 6pm MST / 7pm CT / 8pm ET For those who have experienced the death of a spouse, partner or significant other. Meets the second Wednesday monthly.

SUICIDE LOSS GRIEF SUPPORT

upcoming dates: Thurs. Apr 11, May 9, June 13 **start time:** 6pm PT / 7pm MST / 8pm CT / 9pm ET For those who have experienced a loss to suicide. Meets the second Thursday monthly.

LOSS OF A CHILD SUPPORT & BOOK CLUB

upcoming dates: Thurs. Apr 4, May 2, June 6 **start time:** 4pm PT / 5pm MST / 6pm CT / 7pm ET For those who have experienced the death of a child at any age and for any reason. We will connect about different books and topics specific to loss of a child; you are invited whether you've read the book or not. Meets the first Thursday monthly.

LGBTQ+ GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

upcoming dates: Mon. Apr 8, May 13, June 10 **start time:** 4pm PT / 5pm MST / 6pm CT / 7pm ET This group is specifically for adult members of the LGBTQIA+ community who are grieving the loss of a loved one, whether that's a friend, family member, or a member of found family. Meets the second Monday monthly.

SURVIVORS OF SUBSTANCE LOSS GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

upcoming dates: Thurs. Apr 25, May 23, June 27 **start time:** 6pm PT / 7pm MST / 8pm CT / 9pm ET This group is for adult individuals who have experienced a death loss where substance use, abuse or overdose were part of the life/death narrative. This group will meet on the fourth Thursday of the month. *Please note: This group is not appropriate for individuals who are currently dealing with substance abuse.

*NEW! SUDDEN LOSS GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

upcoming dates: Tues. Apr 23, May 28, June 25 **start time:** 5:30pm PT/ 6:30pm MST/ 7:30pm CT/ 8:30 ET This group is for individuals who experienced an unexpected, sudden, traumatic loss (including but not limited to accidental death, suicide, homicide, etc). Will meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month starting in March.

*NEW! YOUNG ADULTS GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

upcoming dates: Mon. Apr 15, May 20, June 17 start time: 5pm PT / 6pm MST / 7pm CT / 8pm ET

This group is for specifically for individuals 18-25 years old who have experienced a death loss – regardless of relationship or cause of death. Will meet on the third Monday of the month starting in March.

Upcoming DENVER Grief Support Programs

Weekly Support Groups - DENVER

In-Person Denver Facing the Mourning 4-week group

April dates: Mon. Apr 1, 8, 15 & 22 time: 5:30-7pm location: Horan & McConaty Centennial time: 4-5:30pm location: Horan & McConaty Lakewood

Cost: \$65 (includes a participant manual) Registration is required.

An interactive support group designed to help with the grieving process by using visual and thought-provoking tools.

RELATIONSHIPS AND GRIEF 4-SESSION GROUP - IN-PERSON DENVER

April dates: Tuesdays Apr 2, 9, 16 & 23 time: 10-11:30am location: HeartLight Center

These 4 meetings will be topic-specific explorations through managing changes in relationships after a significant loss, including

relationship to self, emotions, the person who died, familial and social relationships, and more.

Cost: \$40. Space is Limited. Registration is required.

Grief Support Workshops - DENVER

EXPLORING GRIEF WITH MUSIC location: HeartLight Center **upcoming dates:** Wed. April 3rd **start time:** 7-8:30pm

Join us for an experiential workshop about the connections we make to and through music. More details to come!

Suggested Donation: \$15. Registration is required.

PET LOSS MEMORIAL location: HeartLight Center upcoming dates: Sat. April 13th start time: 11am-1pm

Join us as we pay tribute to the lives of beloved animal companions, honoring your connection, sharing memories, and mourning in

community. Please bring with you a special picture or object. Suggested Donation: \$15. Registration is required.

SPRING REMEMBRANCE CEREMONY location: HeartLight Center upcoming dates: Sat. April 27th start time: 10am-12pm

Please join us for a memorial service and candle lighting ceremony, in partnership with Arapahoe Community College. Light

refreshments will be served. All are welcome. Register on the HeartLight Center website.

INTRO TO TRE® – TENSION & TRAUMA RELEASE EXERCISES location: HeartLight Center

upcoming date: Sat. June 1st **time:** 4-6pm

This intro class provides simple exercises that can assist the body in releasing deep muscular patterns of stress, tension and the

physical effects of trauma. Suggested Donation: \$20. Space is Limited. Registration is required.

HEALING WITH HORSES location: Lyons, Colorado **upcoming dates:** Sat. June 1, 29, July 20, or Sept 7 **start time:** 10am-4pm

Join us to let the healing power of horses help you as we slow down, reflect, and have some fun together. Come with an open mind and heart and discover what the horses have for you at this stage of your grief journey. In partnership with Dancing Spirit Equine Facilitated Learning and Coaching, LLC and TRU Community Care. **Cost: \$100. Registration is required on the TRU website.**

OPEN HEART STUDIO 2-PART WORKSHOP location: HeartLight Center upcoming dates: Sat. June 15 & 22 start time: 9am-11:30am

This 2-part creative and social workshop invites participants to explore grief through use of various art activities, this time with

mosaic. No prior art experience required. Cost: \$50, includes supplies. Space is Limited. Registration is required.

WALKING WITH GRIEF – A MINDFULNESS WALK location: HeartLight Center Gardens

upcoming dates: Sat June 20 and Thurs June 29 **start time:** 10am-11:30am

In partnership with Celtic Way, join us for a mindfulness walk that honors ourselves, our connection with nature and with our grief.

Join for one or both walks! Suggested Donation: \$15. Registration is required.

Ongoing Monthly Grief Support Groups - DENVER

*Groups typically run 90-minutes in length, suggested donation \$15

MEN'S LOSS OF A SPOUSE/PARTNER location: HeartLight Center upcoming dates: Tues. Apr 2, May 7, June 4 start time: 7pm MST

Dedicated to the unique issues encountered by men who have experienced the death of a spouse, partner or significant other.

Meets on the 1st Tuesday monthly.

LOSS OF A SPOUSE/PARTNER

upcoming dates: Wed. Apr 10, May 8, June 12

upcoming dates: Wed. Apr 24, May 22, June 26

location: HeartLight Center start time: 4pm (MST)

start time: 7pm (MST)

For those who have experienced the death of a spouse, partner or significant other. Meets on the 2^{nd} Wednesday (4pm) and 4^{th}

Wednesday (7pm) monthly. You are welcome to attend either or both.

LOSS OF A SPOUSE/PARTNER POTLUCK DINNER GATHERING location: *varies

upcoming dates: Sat. Apr 20, May 18, June 15 start time: 5pm (MST)

A monthly dinner gathering to connect with others who have experienced the loss of a spouse, partner, or significant other. Please

bring a (simple) dish to share! Table settings and water will be provided. Meets the 3rd Saturday monthly.

*Location will vary depending on the meeting and decisions made by the group.

LOSS OF A PARENT(S) location: HeartLight Center upcoming dates: Wed. Apr 17, May 15, June 19 start time: 7pm MST

For those who have experienced the death of a parent/caregiver. Meets on the 3rd Wednesday monthly.

YOUNG LOSS OF A SPOUSE/PARTNER 6+ MONTHS location: Highlands Church (1700 S Grant St)

upcoming dates: Thurs. Apr 4, May 2, June 6 **start time:** 7pm (MST)

For adults 55 and younger who have experienced the death of a spouse/partner and are 6 months or more post loss.

Meets on the 1st Thursday monthly.

YOUNG LOSS OF A SPOUSE/PARTNER NO TIMELINE location: HeartLight Center upcoming dates: Tues. Apr 16, May 21, June 18 start time: 6pm (MST)

For adults 55 and younger who have experienced the death of a spouse/partner. Meets on the 3^{rd} Tuesday monthly.

SUICIDE LOSS GRIEF SUPPORT location: HeartLight Center Upcoming dates: Mon. Apr 22, *May 20, June 24 start time: 4pm (MST)

For those who have experienced a loss to suicide. Meets on the fourth Monday monthly. *Please note date change in May.

LOSS OF A CHILD SUPPORT location: HeartLight Center upcoming dates: Thurs. Apr 18, May 16, June 20 start time: 6pm (MST)

A peer support group for bereaved parents, grandparents, caregivers, and adult siblings who have experienced the death of a child,

grandchild, or sibling at any age and for any reason. Meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month.

GENERAL GRIEF GROUP - GROWING THROUGH GRIEF location: HeartLight Center **upcoming dates:** Thurs. Apr 25, May 30, June 27 **start time:** 4pm (MST)

Open to anyone who has experienced a death loss. Meets on the last Thursday of the month at 4pm at HeartLight.

BEREAVED SIBLINGS SUPPORT GROUP location: HeartLight Center upcoming dates: Thurs. Apr 4, May 2, June 6 start time: 4:30pm-6pm (MST)

This group is designed for adult individuals who are grieving the loss of a sibling. Starting December 2023. Meets on the 1st Thursday

of the month at 4:30pm at HeartLight.

TRANSFORMING AFTER SUICIDE LOSS location: HeartLight Center upcoming dates: Mon. Apr 8, May 13, *June 10 start time: 4-5:30pm (MST)

An ongoing group designed for individuals who have experienced a loss to suicide and are at least one-year post-loss wanting additional support beyond the first year with topic-specific meetings including a quarterly potluck. Meets on the second Monday monthly. *Potluck Gathering.

SURVIVORS OF SUBSTANCE LOSS GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP location: HeartLight Center upcoming dates: Mon. Apr 15, May 20, June 17 start time: 7-8:30pm MST

This group is for adult individuals who have experienced a death loss where substance use, abuse or overdose were part of the life/death narrative. This group meets on the third Monday of the month. *Please note: This group is not appropriate for individuals who are currently dealing with substance abuse.

Upcoming WESTERN SLOPE Grief Support Programs

Grief Support Special Events – WESTERN SLOPE

In-Person Live Stream Event: The Treasure in Trauma by Matthew "Griff" Griffin

Date: April 9th 8:45am-11:30am **location:** Taylor's Funeral Home, Delta

This is a live stream event, we will gather, watch the live stream of the Signature Series, and then discuss as a group! **About the presentation:** Matt will explore the idea that even in the midst of our most difficult experiences, there is often a hidden treasure waiting to be discovered. Trauma can take many forms. It can leave us lost, broken, and alone. But what if we could shift our perspective and see trauma as an opportunity for growth and transformation? What if we could turn the pain into progress? Light refreshments will be served.

Ongoing Monthly Grief Support Groups – WESTERN SLOPE

*Groups typically run 90-minutes in length, suggested donation \$15

LOSS OF SPOUSE/PARTNER POTLUCK location: Brown's Funeral Home, Grand Junction

upcoming dates: Wed. Apr 17, May 15, June 19 **start time:** 6pm (MST)

A monthly dinner gathering to connect with others who have experienced the loss of a spouse, partner, or significant other. Please bring a dish to share! Table settings and beverages will be provided. Meets the 3rd Wednesday monthly. **RSVP on our website!**

COMFORT FOOD, COMFORTING HEARTS POTLUCK location: HopeWest Delta Office upcoming dates: Wed. Apr 10, May 8, June 12 start time: 6pm (MST)

A monthly dinner gathering to connect with other adults who have experienced the loss of a special person in their life. Please bring a dish to share! Registration strongly encouraged to ensure that all who attend can share in the meal. Table settings and beverages will be provided. Meets the second Wednesday of the month in partnership with HopeWest. **RSVP on our website!**

GENERAL GRIEF GROUP - GROWING THROUGH GRIEF location: Brown's Funeral Home, Grand Junction

upcoming dates: Thurs. Apr 25, May 30, June 27 start time: 6pm (MST)

Open to anyone who has experienced a death loss. Meets on the last Thursday of the month at 6pm in Grand Junction.

NEW! YOUNG LOSS OF A SPOUSE/PARTNER GROUP upcoming dates: Thurs. Apr 18, May 16, June 20 **location:** CB's Tavern - Delta **start time:** 6pm (MST)

An ongoing peer support group for adults 50 and under who have lost a spouse, partner, or significant other recently or years ago. This group is helpful for those who are also navigating parenting children at home or working while navigating grief. This group meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6pm starting in March in Delta.

Upcoming NEW MEXICO Grief Support Programs

Grief Support Special Events – NEW MEXICO

NEW BEGINNINGS SPRING REMEMBRANCE EVENT

Date: April 28 1-2:30pm **location:** DeVargas Espanola

Date: May 14 5:30-7pm **location:** Daniels Family Funerals Sara Rd

Date: May 15 5:30-7pm location: Gabaldon

Date: May 16 5:30-7pm **location:** Daniels Family Funerals Wyoming

We welcome you to bring family and friends, as well as a picture and/or a special possession of your loved one for display during the event. Followed by time for community fellowship and creative activities to honor your personal growth and healing. Refreshments will be served.

GUIDING LIGHTS LUNCHEON

Date: May 3 12:00m-2:30pm **location:** Daniels – Wyoming Chapel

In this program we will honor our community's spiritual and religious caregivers for the National Day of Prayer. This special event aims to celebrate the invaluable role of spiritual caregivers in supporting those facing grief and loss and foster a dialogue among grief support professionals, clergy, and chaplains, and spiritual counselors. Together, we will discover new pathways for collaboration and support, ensuring that no one in our community walks their grief journey alone.

Ongoing Monthly Grief Support Groups – NEW MEXICO

*Groups typically run 90-minutes in length, suggested donation \$15

LOSS OF A SPOUSE/PARTNER location: Daniels Family Funerals – Wyoming Chapel

upcoming dates: Mon. Apr 1, May 6, June 3 start time: 5:30pm (MST)

For those who have experienced the death of a spouse, partner or significant other. Meets on the 1st Monday of the month.

LGBTQ+ GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP location: UrbanMama505 Kombuchery

upcoming dates: Wed. Apr 3, May 1, June 5 start time: 5:30pm (MST)

This group is specifically for members of the LGBTQIA+ community who are grieving the loss of a loved one, whether that's a friend,

family member, or a member of found family. Meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month 5:30-7pm.

SUDDEN & TRAUMATIC LOSS GROUP location: Daniels Family Funerals – Carlisle

upcoming dates: Wed. Apr 10, May 8, June 12 start time: 4:30-6pm

For those who have experienced a sudden/traumatic loss, including incidents of accident, medical, or violent events. Meets on the 2^{nd}

Wednesday of the month 4:30-6pm.

Ways to Support HeartLight Center

Upcoming Fundraising Events

HOOK, SLICE HEARTLIGHT! SECOND ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Date: Monday June 3rd, 2024 **Location:** The Club at Pradera

Join us for a day of golf, prizes, and fun at The Club at Pradera!

This 4-Player scramble helps HeartLight Center continue to support bereaved individuals in our community by providing specialized programming, support groups, workshops and special presentations to help grievers find support and connection on their journey toward healing.

Check-in Time: 7:30am Shotgun Start: 9am Price per person: \$225

Includes: Breakfast, Greens Fees, Card, Range Balls, Contests, Prizes and Lunch!

Tickets and more information available on our website:

https://heartlightcenter.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/2024HookSliceHeartLight/tabid/1399320/Default.aspx





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