



Memories For Surviving Kids

My name is Bob DiPasquale and I am the founder of Memories For Surviving Kids,. When I was three, my father died of heart disease. When I was ten, my mother died from colon cancer. I'm in my sixties now, and both my best friend and the best friend of my brother died of cancer when they were young enough to leave behind small children. These facts are the inspiration behind the simple MFSK mission.

The MFSK mission is to help surviving children get to know their deceased parents.

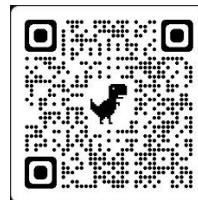
Visit **MFSK.org** and you'll find the advice of child psychologists and grief counseling experts that believe this to be a wonderful idea. My heart goes out to all the families that need to consider the suggestions offered here.

Bob DiPasquale

We appreciate your consideration to help these kids today



Feel free to use this QR code to get a look at the guidance available at MFSK.org,



And if you're able to support our mission, we will be happy to get more letters to more kids with your help.



The family of the deceased asks a favor

Please Take One



Please consider sharing your memories of the life celebrated here today with their children.

Surviving children will often grow to wonder what their deceased parents were like. Your memories can be a wonderful gift for them to have as they become curious.

Do you have stories that will help the kid(s) learn more about what their parent was like? Perhaps some tasteful old videos or pictures you could share?

Please consider writing letters for them or sharing what you have. Then pass those letters and memories along to the surviving spouse or guardian, so they can provide them for the children when they think the timing is right.



What should I write?

Letters for surviving kids should be written completely with the child in mind. It's your opportunity to share the experiences you had with their parent. The intent should be for the child to get to know their parent better through you. We want to encourage people to send letters without concern for guidelines, but we can suggest some of the following inclusions in your letter...

A few words about how you knew their parent, and the frequency and timing of your relationship.

A story that includes descriptive words about the deceased's personality. When possible the story should be upbeat, but avoid the temptation to distort the truth and create any false images.

You can have fun by setting a scene – “If your Dad and I had joined the circus, he would have been the lion tamer and I would have been the clown....”.

An old picture.

A true story that tells of their values.

Something made or written by the deceased.

For items sent it would be courteous to have one for each surviving kid, as well as one for the adult (children tend to lose things).

No one is ever too old to receive a surviving kid letter, but remember, if the surviving kid you're writing is still under the care of a parent or guardian, be sure to address your letter to the adult. They will use their best judgment on when to present the letter,

