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October is
SIDS

Awareness
Month

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October IS SIDS Awareness Month

States that have already made 2006 proclamations

- Alabama
- Alaska
- Arizona
- Connecticut
- Idaho
- Illinois
- Indiana
- Iowa
- Kentucky
- Maine
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- Missouri
- Nebraska
- Nevada
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New Mexico
- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon
- Rhode Island
- South Carolina
- Tennessee
- Virginia
- Washington
- Wisconsin

States we have not yet received a proclamation for:

- Arkansas
- California
- Colorado
- Delaware
- District of Columbia
- Florida
- Georgia
- Hawaii
- Kansas
- Louisiana
- Minnesota
- Mississippi
- Montana
- New York
- North Carolina
- North Dakota
- Pennsylvania
- South Dakota
- Texas
- Utah
- Vermont
- West Virginia
- Wyoming

For people interested in encouraging proclamations in your area regarding October as SIDS Awareness month. If you are interested in helping please join the group "Oct SIDS"
<http://group.yahoo.com/group/octsids>

SUPPORT GROUPS!

If you are interested in attending a support group in Oklahoma please contact us at info@battlesids.org or 405 260 0013

Online Support Groups

http://health.groups.yahoo.com/group/ok_child_loss

A group for parents in Oklahoma who have lost a child .

A special thank you to Ryan & Tara Brown , in memory of their little brother, Edward William Miller and Kathryn in memory of her granddaughter. Your generous donations will help keep our programs going.

Little Ones Grieve Too!

This Holiday season we will have a new program going just for bereaved siblings. Our Heavenly gifts program will allow children to receive a gift in memory of their sister or brother. They will need to send a Holiday card to their brother or sister and when we receive it we will send a gift in memory of their brother or sister. So what do you need to do? Have your child write a Holiday card in their own words and handwriting to their missed sibling and we will send them a small gift in memory of their sibling.

Please include on a separate piece of paper (in adult handwriting): your address, the child who sent the card's age, name, and whether they are a boy or girl. Also include the name of the child who's memory the card is being sent.

Mail it to:

The Great Battle Against SIDS
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This program will be open from the 1st of November through the 15th of December.

Remember Me

Birthdays

(Alexa Nicole Bartholomew
October 3, 2005

SIDS
(photo)



Melissa Duckworth
October 5, 1994
SIDS

Bryce Charles Baker
October 05, 2002
SIDS

Brianna Leonor Velasquez
October 11, 2004
SIDS



Caleb Andrew Rowland
October 13, 2003
SIDS
(photo)

Jessica Bryn Lawson
October 17, 2001
SIDS

Kevin Ronald Thomas Shaver
October 19, 2000
SIDS

John Joseph Rogan III "Jack"
October 21, 2005
SIDS

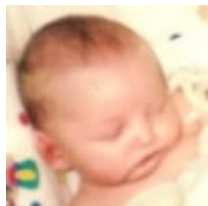
Joshua Eduardo Pinto
October 25, 1990
SIDS

Dimitri Alexander Jones
October 25, 2000
SIDS



Cheyenne Elizabeth Todd
October 28, 1997
Miscarriage
(photo)

Dakota Scott
October 29, 1994
SIDS



(photo)
Anna Ruby LaPierre
October 30, 2002
SUDI

Mason Drew Devasher
October 31, 2003
SIDS

Ryan David Ortman
November 03, 1999
SIDS

Khalil Omari Dean
November 03, 2004
SIDS

Christopher Shane Chisholm
November 04, 1972
SIDS

Kaya Elizabeth Cleary
November 04, 2004
SIDS

Kassidy Renee Lytton
November 05, 2004
SIDS

Joey Michael
November 16, 2003
SIDS

Thomas Edward Burleson
November 16, 2003
SIDS

Brianna E - A Padilla
November 18, 1999
SIDS

Alice Marilyn Alexander
November 20, 2004
SIDS

Laurel Astrid Register
December 02, 2005
Stillbirth

Lucas Scott Gebhardt
December 3, 1999
SIDS

Michael Charles-james Cooksey
December,9,2004
SIDS

Zackary Shane
December 11, 1998
SIDS

Robert Wayne Brake
December 15, 2004
SIDS

(photo)
Michael Simon Chavez
December 22, 1994
SIDS



Please take a few moments to remember the little ones listed. Each is loved and missed dearly each day.

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Angel Days

Owen James Steffke
October 06, 2003
Undetermined

Kendall Anne Williams
October 12, 2005
SIDS

Abbreonna Nicole Beth Hunley
October 12, 2005
SIDS
(photo)

Brookelynn Rae Sheehy
October 13, 2003
SIDS

Layton Riley Tippins
October 14, 2003
SIDS

Mason Ryan Carrell
October 14, 2005
SIDS
(photo)

Tilor Christopher Zajicek
October 20, 2002
SIDS

Jordan William
October 23, 1998
SIDS

Ryan Nicholas Del Vecchio
October 23, 2003
SIDS

Kayla Michelle Blanton
October 26, 1999
SIDS

Dominic Lincoln-William Beaudet
October 30, 2002
SIDS
(photo)

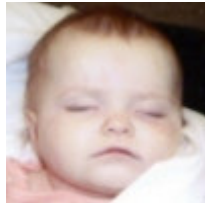
Bailey Renee Brady
October 31, 1999
SIDS

Joshua Wayne Poole
November 02, 2001
SIDS

Katie Rose Simon
November 02, 2005
SIDS
(photo)

JennyLee Tirado
November 8, 1985
SIDS

Adam Wayne Edward Hartinger
November 14, 1996
SIDS



Alexa Nicole Bartholomew
November 19, 2005
SIDS

Ethan James Landes
November 22, 2004
SIDS

Nicholas Cassiano Hyora
November 25, 2001
SIDS

Christopher Shane Chisholm
December 01, 1972
SIDS

Laurel Astrid Register
December 02, 2005
Stillbirth

Aislinn Celeste McComsey
December 3, 2003
SIDS
(photo)

William Edward Gasser
December 06, 1999
SIDS

Gillian Faith Wells
December 07, 2003
SIDS

Chad Kahler
December 08, 2003
SIDS

Thomas Edward Burleson
December 08, 2003
SIDS

John R Devereux
December 09, 2001
SIDS

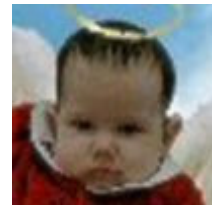
Jeremiah Christopher Merrell
December 10, 2003
SIDS

Lori Beth Hall
December 14, 2001
SIDS

Kevin Ronald Thomas Shaver
December 17, 2000
SIDS

Joshua James Suppes
December 18, 1997
SIDS

Anna Ruby LaPierre
December 31, 2002
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To include your child in the Remember Me section of our newsletter,
please add your child to the special days registry.

www.battlesids.org/specialdays.html

Surviving the Holidays

Things you can do to keep your child's memory alive during the holiday season...

Find a local children's hospital that you can donate candy canes to in memory of your child (remember to purchase sugar free candy canes too). Instead of candy canes you can purchase small teddy bears, stockings, or any assortment of gifts you'd like. Remember to contact the hospital prior to purchasing anything to see their need and /or requirements.

Make a donation to a program that helps bereaved families.

Hang a stocking for your little one. A wonderful tip for Christmas morning: Fill the bottom portion of the stocking with crumpled wrapping paper, and place some small memento style gifts at the top. Leaving the stocking empty can upset not only yourself, but also any children who may be around Christmas morning. (My daughter thought Santa was mad at her sister for leaving, and that's why he didn't fill her stocking) Wait until others have begun to open gifts to empty that stocking, with all the other crumpled wrapping paper on the ground, no one will realize some came from the stocking.

The Great Battle Against SIDS has hung virtual stockings for the past several years. Please consider hanging a stocking in honor of your child and all your heavenly loved ones
<http://battlesids.org/christmas>

Buy a special candle, and leave it lit throughout the holiday celebrations.

If it's snowing out, take your family to make snow angels... Take pictures, and blow them up for a special holiday photo! It's a wonderful tribute, and a special way to spend time with your family.

Decorate your baby's special place. Where ever it is you feel most connected to your baby. Perhaps the gravesite, or a memorial garden, maybe it's in your bedroom, where you spent so many loving hours together. Hang a wreath, put up a tree or simply put up your favorite photo.

If you attend church you could donate your time or resources for the children's holiday play.

Allow your children to remember their brother / sister in their own way. Children who have lost a sibling may find the holidays very confusing. They may feel guilty for being happy when mom and dad are so sad. Some amazing ideas that have been passed on to me through the years:

Buy a package of ornaments (plastic if working with young children) and allow them to draw, paint, or write something for their brother / sister. Allow them to hang those on the tree. This could also become a tradition, those ornaments being the first hung on the tree every year. Most little ones are proud to do something in memory of their brother / sister, and it leaves you with a wonderful keepsake.

Allow them to buy a gift for their brother / sister. Allow them to wrap it, and find that perfect spot under the tree.

Some other ideas: Let them make a memory book of their sibling, draw pictures to share, write a poem or story, write a letter to their sibling, and allow them to share these items during the holiday season. Let them pick out a plant or tree to plant in memory of their sibling.



Remember Me Calendar 2007

The first edition of the 2007 TGBAS "Remember Me" Calendar is now in our store! <http://cafepress.com/battlesids>. The Calendars are listed in our Remember Me section of the store. We've also made the cover designs available on other items. Remember to order early and have it available for the holidays!

Please remember that only the calendars have all the children listed. The cover only has the photos of children that were submitted. We will put out a second 2007 edition in January. If you didn't include a photo of your child, and would like to for the second edition, please email the photo to calendar@battlesids.org

If you do decide to order, please consider sending us a coupon (at the end of the checkout procedure, you'll have the ability to email a coupon to your friends and family.) - calendar@battlesids.org - I will then email the coupon to our cafepress mailing list. (Which you are welcomed to join!)



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Today & Always*



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Volunteer Day!

If you live in the central Oklahoma area please join us Wednesday October 25th, from 11 am - 1 pm. We need volunteers to assist with our many programs. If you would like to volunteer please contact Melissa at (405) 260-0013 or melissa@battlesids.org

If you would like to make a donation please make the check payable to:
The Great Battle Against SIDS

Mail your check & the information on the right, to:

The Great battle Against SIDS
Attn: Daniel Clements
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Guthrie, OK 73044

Sorry at this time we can not process credit card donations.

The Great Battle Against SIDS is registered in the State of California as a non-profit corporation. We are a 501(c)(3) charitable organization with federal tax-exempt status. All donations may be tax-deductible as allowed by law. 20-1385962

Your donations keep our programs going!

Name

Address

Phone

In Memory Of:

The Great Battle Against SIDS
Infant Loss Supportive Services
[Http://battlesids.org](http://battlesids.org)
812 N Broad St
Guthrie, OK 73044



To our business supporters,

The Great Battle Against SIDS has recently switched our recycling program to Fundingfactory, which will allow us to make even more money from fewer cartridges and cell phones.

This is a simple fundraiser that helps subsidize The Great Battle Against SIDS' budget. Our non-profit organization utilizes the FundingFactory Recycling Program to recycle collected cartridges and cell phones. The program features free collection boxes and shipping, online accounting, and a business component that enables companies and individuals to collect cartridges and cell phones in support of our efforts.

Please consider collecting used cell phones and empty printer cartridges within your company to benefit The Great Battle Against SIDS and becoming a local drop of location.

Benefits to your company:

- Environmentally friendly disposal of printer cartridges and cell phones
- Community recognition for recycling efforts
- Continual support to The Great Battle Against SIDS without extra cash donations
- Enables employees to dispose of cartridges and cell phones from personal use

How cartridges and cell phones benefit The Great Battle Against SIDS.

All laser and inkjet cartridges as well as cell phones collected through this effort are sent to FundingFactory, a company based in Erie, PA, that offers the nationwide recycling program. When the boxes arrive at FundingFactory, the items are inspected and the value for each collected item registers in our online account. We are able to login to our account anytime to view our returns, order more boxes or request a check for our earnings.

Please visit www.FundingFactory.com for more information about supporting The Great Battle Against SIDS through FundingFactory's Business Support program. If you choose to register, please identify ID number **65240** as the beneficiary organization. That's us!

Most business supporters want their own account on FundingFactory. By registering and listing **ID# 65240** as the one you wish to sponsor, you can keep track of all of your returns and points donated to TGBAS. You can also order additional collection boxes as needed. The return process is very convenient for supporters and all the points you earn go directly into TGBAS' account! FundingFactory will pay all shipping costs!

If you have any questions about this program, please contact Melissa Clements at Melissa@Battlesids.org or (405) 260-0013.

Thank you for your support,

Melissa Clements,
President

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