

# KIDS Safety Net



Kansas Infant Death and SIDS Network

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## Practical Advice: Helping Yourself Heal When Your Child Dies

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### *Allow Yourself to Mourn*

Your child has died. You are now faced with the difficult, but important, need to mourn. Mourning is the open expression of your thoughts and feelings regarding the death of your child. It is an essential part of healing.

With the death of your child, your hopes, dreams and plans for the future are turned upside down. You are beginning a journey that is often frightening, painful, and overwhelming. The death of a child results in the most profound bereavement. In fact, sometimes your feelings of grief may be so intense that you do not understand what is happening. This article provides practical suggestions to help you move toward healing in your personal grief experience.

### *Realize Your Grief is Unique*

Your grief is unique. No one will grieve in exactly the same way. Your experience will be influenced by a variety of factors: the relationship you had with the person who died; the circumstances surrounding the death; your emotional support system; and your cultural and religious background.

As a result of these factors, you will grieve in your own special way. Don't try to compare your experience with that of other people or to adopt assumptions about just how long your grief should last. Consider taking a "one-day-at-a-time" approach that allows you to grieve at your own pace.

### *Allow Yourself to Feel Numb*

Feeling dazed or numb when your child dies may well be a part of your early grief experience. You may feel as if the world has suddenly come to a halt. This numbness serves a valuable purpose: it gives your emotions time to catch up with what your mind has told you.

You may feel you are in a dream-like state and that you will wake up and none

of this will be true. These feelings of numbness and disbelief help insulate you from the reality of the death until you are more able to tolerate what you don't want to believe.

### *This Death is "Out of Order"*

Because the more natural order is for parents to precede their children in death, you must readapt to a new and seemingly illogical reality. This shocking reality says that even though you are older and have been the protector and provider, you have survived while your child has not. This can be so difficult to comprehend.

Not only has the death of your child violated nature's way, where the young grow up and replace the old, but your personal identity was tied to your child. You may feel impotent and wonder why you couldn't have protected your child from death.

### *Expect to Feel a Multitude of Emotions*

The death of your child can result in a variety of emotions. Confusion, disorganization, fear, guilt, anger and relief are just a few of the emotions you may feel. Sometimes these emotions will follow each other within a short period of time. Or they may occur simultaneously.

As strange as some of these emotions may seem, they are normal and healthy. Allow yourself to learn from these feelings. And don't be surprised if out of nowhere you suddenly experience surges of grief, even at the most unexpected times. These grief attacks can be frightening and leave you feeling overwhelmed. They are, however, a natural response to the death of your child. Find someone who understands your feelings and will allow you to talk about them.

### *Be Tolerant of Your Physical and Emotional Limits*

Your feelings of loss and sadness will probably leave you fatigued. Your ability to think clearly and make decisions may be impaired. And your low-energy level may naturally slow you down.

Respect what your body and mind are telling you. Nurture yourself. Get daily rest. Eat balanced meals. Lighten your schedule as much as possible. Caring for yourself doesn't mean feeling sorry for yourself it means you are using survival skills.

### *Talk About Your Grief*

Express your grief openly. When you share your grief outside yourself, healing occurs. Ignoring your grief won't make it go away; talking about it often makes you feel better. Allow yourself to speak from your heart, not just your head. Doing so doesn't mean you are losing control or going "crazy." It is a normal part of your grief journey.

### *Watch Out for Clichés*

Clichés--trite comments some people make in attempts to diminish your loss--can be extremely painful for you to hear. Comments like, "You are holding up so well," "Time heals all wounds," "Think of what you have to be thankful for" or "You have to be strong for others" are not constructive. While these comments may be well-intended, you do not have to accept them. You have every right to express your grief. No one has the right to take it away.

### *Develop a Support System*

Reaching out to others and accepting support is often difficult, particularly when you hurt so much. But the most compassionate self-action you can do at this difficult time is to find a support



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system of caring friends and relatives who will provide the understanding you need. Seek out those people who encourage you to be yourself and acknowledge your feelings -- both happy and sad.

A support group may be one of the best ways to help yourself. In a group, you can connect with other parents who have experienced the death of a child. You will be allowed and gently encouraged to talk about your child as much, and as often, as you like.

Sharing the pain won't make it disappear, but it can ease any thoughts that what you are experiencing is crazy, or somehow bad. Support comes in different forms for different people — support groups, counseling, friends, faith — find out what combination works best for you and try to make use of them.

### **Embrace Your Treasure of Memories**

Memories are one of the best legacies that exist after the death of a child. You will always remember. Instead of ignoring these memories, share them with your family and friends.

Keep in mind that memories can be tinged with both happiness and sadness. If your memories bring laughter, smile. If your memories bring sadness, then it's all right to cry. Memories that were made in love — no one can take them away from you.

### **Gather Important Keepsakes**

You may want to collect some important keepsakes that help you treasure your memories. You may want to create a memory book, which is a collection of photos that represent your child's life. Some people create memory boxes to keep special keepsakes in. Then, whenever you want, you can open your memory box and embrace those special memories. The reality that your child has died

does not diminish your need to have these objects. They are a tangible, lasting part of the special relationship you had with your child.

### **Embrace Your Spirituality**

If faith is part of your life, express it in ways that seem appropriate to you. Allow yourself to be around people who understand and support your religious beliefs. If you are angry at God because of the death of your child, realize this feeling as a normal part of your grief work. Find someone to talk with who won't be critical of whatever thoughts and feelings you need to explore.

You may hear someone say, "With faith, you don't need to grieve." Don't believe it. Having your personal faith does not insulate you from needing to talk out and explore your thoughts and feelings. To deny your grief is to invite problems to build up inside you. Express your faith but express your grief as well.

### **Move toward Your Grief and Heal**

To restore your capacity to love you must grieve when your child dies. You can't heal unless you openly express your grief. Denying your grief will only make it become more confusing and overwhelming. Embrace your grief and heal.

Reconciling your grief will not happen quickly. Remember, grief is a process, not an event. Be patient and tolerant with yourself. Never forget that the death of your child changes your life forever. It's not that you won't be happy again, it's simply that you will never be exactly the same as you were before the child died.

The experience of grief is powerful. So, too, is your ability to help yourself heal. In doing the work of grieving, you are moving toward a renewed sense of meaning and purpose in your life.

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# Network News

## Step Up for KIDS Steps Up for Biggest Amount Ever



A day as wet and cruddy as most Saturdays this spring didn't diminish the turnout or the generosity for Step Up for KIDS, which is annually our biggest fund-raiser.

The April 21 event at Old Cowtown Museum in Wichita drew 466 participants and generated \$32,633.71 in profit to support the work of the KIDS Network.

The race and memorial walk supports our mission of providing grief services and training, raising community awareness, and supporting medical research. It featured lunch and a balloon release as well, and this year – on a cool, wet day – the hot chocolate and children's games were "awesome," said board member and SIDS parent, Ashley Pepper.



The Network board and staff would like to recognize and thank Kelci and Kevin Burkey and family for their energy and dedication to the role of Step Up for KIDS 2018 Ambassador Family.



KIDS Network Executive Director Christy Schunn, veteran of all kinds of weather over the Step Up years, said that the "rain didn't set us back as far as the snow did in 2013, but that next year we're due for sun."



## KIDS Network 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration Shaping Up



Plans are falling into place to mark two decades of the KIDS Network and the commitment and service to working to ensure that babies do not perish and that parents and families do not grieve alone.

KIDS has set aside the evening of Aug. 9 to mark its 20th anniversary and celebrate the work of board members, parents and others who have made our valuable and essential work possible. Stayed tuned for more information.



## Fund-Raising Task Force Ponders Ways to Build Reserves

With the uncertainty involving grants and other sources that supports the work of the KIDS Network each year, the Board of Directors has been discussing ways to build financial reserves so that the mission of the organization won't falter if funding does.

One effort of the fund-raising task force is to increase awareness of the availability of matching funds from employers when an employee donates or volunteers for the KIDS Network. Another is to emphasize and promote legacy donations, through wills and other mechanisms.

The overall goal is to increase the reserve fund from the current \$52,000 to \$125,000. The intention is to have six months of operating expenses on hand, and as the KIDS Network and its programs have grown, the \$52,000 just doesn't stretch that far any longer. It's a good problem to have, because it shows our endeavors have grown to meet obvious needs.

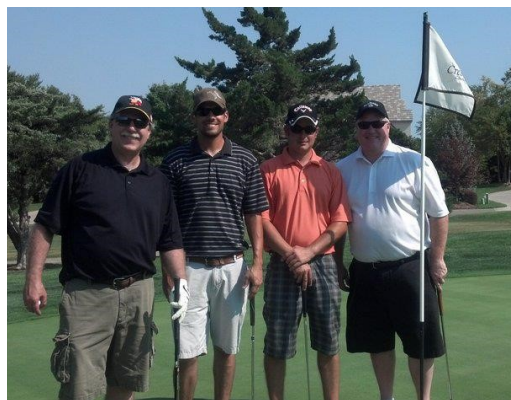
Many options have been discussed to raise the funds, such as finding ways to better tell our story in the community or adding another fundraiser. If you have suggestions or might like to help, please contact Christy Schunn at the office or [edirector@kidsks.org](mailto:edirector@kidsks.org) or reach out to one of our board members.

## HALEY'S SIDS SCRAMBLE, AUG. 20

Scribble Aug. 20 on your calendar for Haley's SIDS Scramble!

The KIDS Network is taking a swing at a new location this year for the 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Haley's SIDS Scramble Golf Tournament on Aug. 20: Terradyne Country Club.

The annual fundraiser, a memorial to all babies who have died in Kansas, is co-sponsored by KU Wichita Pediatrics. Last summer, it raised over \$19,000 to support KIDS' mission and, recognizing our commitment to research, part of that went to CRIBS, the Center for Research on Infant Birth and Survival based at KU School of Medicine-Wichita.



Organizers are working on obtaining sponsors – all levels are needed – and seeking volunteers to help staff the Monday event. Registration and sponsorship forms and other details are available at [www.kidsks.org/haleys-sids-scramble.html](http://www.kidsks.org/haleys-sids-scramble.html). Volunteers can sign up for the Scramble, or other events, at [www.surveymonkey.com/r/5TVKNGW](http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/5TVKNGW).

# Network News

## Board of Directors Appointments

Two new members have been elected to the KIDS Network Board of Directors. One of them, Nancy Jensen, returns to the board, while Dr. Stephanie Kuhlmann, a Wichita pediatrician active in safe sleep, is joining for the first time.

Lori Farley has been reappointed as treasurer, while Jill Nelson will again serve as secretary. Board members reappointed for another term are Cindy Henderson, Melody McCray-Miller, Dr. Rhea Rogers, Jenni Harshbarger and Shondella Umeh.

All board members volunteer their time and include representatives drawn from medicine, government, social services, business and bereaved parents.

Several members have stepped off the board, because of other commitments or because of term limits: Krista Reed, Emalyn Rogers, Patty Calderon-Cordoba, and Dr. Maurice Duggins. We thank them for their years of service and dedication.

## Schunn, Schmidt and Kuhlmann present at international conference

Indicating the strong work done regarding safe sleep in Wichita and across Kansas, Executive Director Christy Schunn and two others affiliated with the KIDS Network will travel to Scotland in June to share the results of their research at an international conference.

At the International Conference on Stillbirth, SIDS, and Baby Survival in Glasgow from June 7 to 9, they will present papers and posters to participants at the biannual event. The conference is intended to break down barriers and unite participants who are working toward reducing stillbirth, SIDS and other unexpected baby deaths. It is intended to share knowledge, forge new partnerships and strengthen existing relationships. The conference helps researchers and practitioners focus on improving the support provided to families.

- Schunn will present “Leveraging the Safe Sleep Instructor Infrastructure to Expand Community Baby Showers State-wide.”
- Cari Schmidt, director of the Center for Research for Infant Birth and Survival, will discuss two studies. One topic is “Qualitative Evaluation of Embedding Safe Sleep in Prenatal Education,” while the other is “It’s Just a Box: Pregnant Women’s Perceptions of Boxes for Infant Sleep.” The latter subject, baby boxes and their use and safety, will be a focus at the conference.
- Dr. Stephanie Kuhlmann, a new KIDS Network board member, will share research on “Impact of training on a safe sleep toolkit on quality of provider and caregiver discussion.”



## Upcoming Community Baby Showers

### Sedgwick County/Derby Area

Saturday, June 2, 2018

Derby Recreation/Oaklawn Activity Center  
4904 S. Clifton Wichita, KS 67216

[Facebook Event Link -- Click Here](#)

### Rice County

Saturday, June 2, 2018

Rice County Health Department  
1432 W. Commercial Ave. Lyons, KS 67554

### Phillips County

Sunday, June 3, 2018

Community Church of God  
135 10th St. Phillipsburg, KS 67661

### Saline County

Tuesday, June 5, 2018

Saline County 4-H Building  
900 Greeley St. Salina, KS

[Facebook Event Link -- Click Here](#)

### Crawford County

Friday, June 8, 2018

Pittsburg Presbyterian Church  
520 N. Pine St. Pittsburg, KS 66762

# Birthday babies — March, April, and May

Jeffery Robert  
3-22-16

**KYLEIGH ROSALIE AGUILAR**



3-8-10 to 11-14-10

Infant Alfaro  
5-9-17

Finn Lawrence Anderson  
3-3-16

**JOSHUA NICHOLAS ANTLE**



5-31-80 to 9-25-80

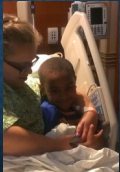
**WADE THOMAS BARRETT**



3-24-10 to 6-24-10

Paul Bazil  
3-15-01 to 5-24-01

**MATTHIAS ROSE BEASLEY-COX**



5-3-15

Jeremiah James Bessent  
5-19-10 to 7-6-10

Colton Black  
4-27-95 to 7-18-95

Jack Blanton  
3-9-01 to 4-30-01

**KAYLA MICHELLE BLANTON**

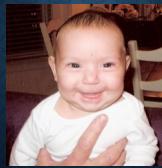


5-22-99 to 10-26-99

Brett Bogan  
3-29-95 to 8-25-95

Lucian Bohm  
3-11-08 to 5-27-08

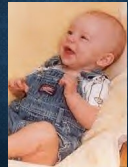
**EMILY KAETIN BONNESEN**



4-18-07 to 8-15-07

Leslee Rhae Boyle  
3-4-10 to 5-31-10

**WILLIAM "COLE" BRANDENBURGER**



3-30-98 to 8-29-98

**SHIALY OLIAYA RAIN BREEDLOVE**



5-13-99 to 10-9-99

Hunter Brewer  
4-23-02 to 8-29-02

Jaden Buehler  
4-10-05 to 8-23-05

**MAXTON BURKEY**



3-31-11 to 5-26-11

Anthony Scott Chesbro  
5-12-00 to 8-10-00

**KAMDEN ISAIHA CHRISENBERRY**



3-17-11 to 4-6-11

Ashton W. Collins  
3-3-06 to 5-7-06

**TYLYN COLLINS**



4-16-06 to 4-25-06

Nathan Leslie Conger-Morris  
3-2-03 to 5-15-03

**SKYLER RAIN COOK**



5-4-01 to 6-2-01

Tavion Cooper  
5-15-01 to 7-7-01

Baby Crites-Kowalsky  
4-26-16

**LAURA LUCIA CUMMINGS**



4-12-97 to 7-11-97

Courtney A. Davenport  
3-18-06 to 9-24-06

**CLAIRE LORENE DEMEL**



5-26-10 to 6-1-10

Sophia Lynn Deutsch  
3-3-16 to 3-6-16

Aiden Dockens  
5-17-11 to 11-10-11

Ohana Dugan  
4-20-16 to 7-30-16

Kaylee Elliott  
3-23-06 to 4-23-06

Annie Elwick  
3-25-81 to 6-28-81

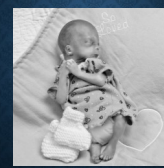
Laura Enloe  
5-20-05 to 9-8-05

Rex Joshua Ensey  
3-4-12

Kylee Grace Essary  
4-7-16

Caroline M. Fernandez  
3-31-02 to 8-26-02

**BENTLEY FITZSIMMONS**



5-11-12

Kordell Jacob Floyd  
5-12-99 to 10-30-99

**KAYLEE SHAE FRYE**



5-23-97 to 8-19-97

# Birthday babies — March, April, and May

Niqo Gallardo  
4-20-01 to 7-31-01

Kansas JoRiah Renee Gibbs  
3-7-01 to 9-3-01

PAUL STEPHEN GILE



5-26-67 to 8-8-67

CRAIG "CJ" JAMES HAMEL



5-17-94 to 7-19-94

LEWIS HAMER-THOMPSON



3-1-01 to 1-13-03

Porsha T. Hampton  
4-19-03 to 7-7-03

Kali Ilene Harris  
3-13-86 to 6-2-86

PEYTON M. HARRIS



5-14-09 to 6-14-09

Baby Henning-Preston  
5-14-16

Daniel Armondo Hernandez  
4-20-04 to 5-10-04

Rigo Holguin  
5-27-09 to 8-30-09

Karsyn Renee Holland  
3-15-17

Andrea T. Holloman  
5-22-06 to 8-23-06

Evalyn Holtden  
4-26-17 to 6-6-17

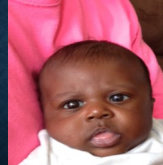
Collin Dale Hon  
5-9-03 to 6-11-03

Monica Ann Hudson  
4-13-99 to 8-29-99

Kandice Jenkins  
4-19-07 to 5-29-07

Trenten Jones  
4-4-06 to 8-29-06

TRAYVON KARANJA



5-7-13 to 9-15-13

AVERY MIRANDA KEARNEY



3-24-08 to 7-30-08

Marshall Dean Keller  
3-15-10 to 7-1-10

Chance Killen  
4-16-09 to 8-10-09

Ailey Marie King  
3-15-12 to 5-17-12

Grant Koester  
3-10-03 to 3-27-03

JAYDIEN JUNE KRENZEL



3-27-13

Raiden Andrew Lane  
4-29-13 to 9-5-13

Kiara Lazos  
3-25-12

Isaac Loder  
4-8-02 to 6-7-02

ALYSSA ROSE LOFTON



3-24-02 to 4-21-02

Kaibryn Looney  
4-2-09 to 5-5-09

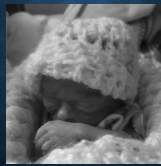
Linda Maria Lopez  
5-28-15

ALEXIS NICOLE MARTIN



4-16-11 to 7-5-11

TARYN RAYNE MASIERO



3-10-16 to 3-11-16

Arianna Maskrid  
5-20-95 to 10-19-95

Seneca Lynn Mason  
3-23-01 to 6-1-01

Mihali Mason  
3-14-14 to 8-14-14

Jesse James Mays  
3-3-02 to 3-28-02

Hamilton Mayslip-Kenemore  
3-18-14

Victor Mbya  
5-8-14 to 7-8-14

Thomas Allen McCloskey  
4-7-01 to 7-27-01

Savanna Meek  
4-9-03 to 8-20-03

Jeremiah Kennington Miller  
4-22-04 to 2-22-05

Patrick Milligan  
3-17-16

Nathaniel Philip Monaghan  
3-13-14 to 5-13-15

Charlie Edward Morford  
4-26-17

BRYCE WILLIAM MOSIER



3-6-11 to 8-4-11

Connor James Murray  
4-7-16

Evir Najera  
4-26-01 to 5-24-01

Aydan Alexander Nelson  
4-25-05 to 8-23-05

Kevin Nunez-Gutierrez  
3-14-13 to 4-1-13

Michael Clancy Parkins  
4-25-13 to 7-12-13

Kalajuwon Kimir Patrick  
5-3-11

Abigail Phillips  
5-16-11 to 5-24-11

Antoine L. Phillips, Jr.  
3-21-04 to 4-18-04

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**SKYLER NOAH PICKETT**



3-7-02 to 5-27-02

**ELLY ANN PIPPITT**



5-26-04 to 9-9-04

Cameron Poe  
3-16-02 to 5-5-02

Taliana Maria Powell  
3-10-01 to 3-25-01

**NATALIE ANN RADER**



5-24-17

**PADRAIG CLAYTON RANDOLPH**



4-8-08 to 5-21-08

Angelo Rascon  
5-15-04 to 4-9-05

**JOSHUA RATZLAFF**



5-24-06 to 8-14-06

Vanessa Reiman  
3-5-09 to 5-12-09

**JOSHUA CHRISTIAN RICHMOND**



4-17-94 to 2-6-95

Landon Roberts  
4-1-08 to 5-29-08

Jason Rodriguez  
4-1-98 to 6-1-98

Regan-May Diane Ross  
4-18-16 to 5-10-16

Shawn Alan Roy  
5-16-97 to 11-9-97

Thomas Daniel Rubalcaba  
3-10-88 to 7-2-88

Joe C. Salazar  
3-8-02 to 4-13-02

**WAYLON DEAN SCHAEFER**



3-3-13

Maya Elizabeth Schreibvogel  
3-11-00 to 4-14-01

Aaron Schwarz  
3-5-16

Gavin R. Scott  
3-7-08 to 3-29-08

Lane (Little Newt) Harwood  
Shadley  
4-28-99 to 2-4-00

Caitlyn Jo Shaw  
5-20-02 to 8-14-02

Enoch Snowbarger  
4-21-07 to 8-16-07

Christopher Sprague  
4-3-96 to 6-19-96

Haelie Alison Wella Springer  
5-18-00 to 8-3-00

**HANNAH ROSE STANDIFERD**



5-14-08 to 6-28-08

**LUKE NATHAN STEINLE**



4-28-16 to 8-31-16

Gabriel Richard Storrie  
4-3-94 to 7-16-94

Dragon Addain Gene Tafoya  
5-16-08 to 5-27-08

Anthony Wayne Tate  
5-7-12

Jayden Taylor  
5-6-09 to 6-19-09

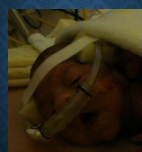
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**LEONTE' DARNELL TERRELL**



3-3-12

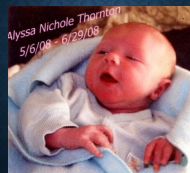
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5-5-11 to 9-20-11

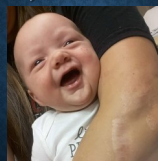
Tristen Robert Thomas  
5-28-10

**ALYSSA NICHOLE THORNTON**



5-6-08 to 6-29-08

**CARTER JOHN TIMMERMEYER**



5-4-17 to 7-15-17

Iain Michael Tinsley  
5-28-02 to 10-19-02

**CLAYTON GLENN VATH**



5-12-06 to 6-12-06

**JOHN WESLEY VRANA, III**



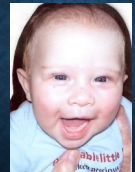
5-12-93 to 5-27-93

Chelsie Ann Webb  
4-22-99 to 11-12-99

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**AYDEN LEVI WILDER**



5-10-08 to 9-1-08

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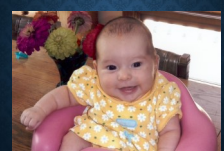
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5-11-10 to 8-26-10

Dante Ray Steven Wood  
5-23-02 to 8-11-02

**KINLEY JOLIE YELTON**



5-10-11 to 8-11-11

# In memory of our babies — December, January, & February

Michael Abourizk, Jr. 12-18-94 Grandson of Don & Lynn Stephan	Kyrie Jaylen-Dean Bell 2-5-16 Son of Samara Salibury	Dayln Michael Campbell 1-10-14 Son of Christopher Campbell & Mikayla Shingleton	Brayden Jesse Cooke 2-17-17 Son of Jessica Fanning & Joshua Cooke
Brandon Adolph 12-24-00 to 1-20-01 Son of Darren & Julie Adolph	Gabriel A. Bittner 7-26-06 to 1-8-07 Son of Ashley Bittner	Paul Jacob Riley Campbell 10-25-04 to 12-19-04 Son of David Campbell & Teresa Swinger	Ma'Leinna Cooper 10-20-15 to 12-13-15 Daughter of Danielle Keeling & Sean Cooper Sr.
Yamilath Aguirre 8-20-10 to 12-15-10 Daughter of Yarely Aguirre- Ortiz	David A. Blanton 9-22-06 to 12-23-06 Son of Jason Blanton & Amber Anderson	Jesus Cardoza III 11-13-07 to 2-20-08 Son of Jessica Cardoza	Arianna Nichole Cormack 9-28-03 to 2-16-04 Daughter of Branden Crites & Annetta Eubanks
Xavier Diagon Allee 1-17-16 to 1-28-16 Son of Shayla & Nicholas Allee	Mason Lee Michael Blitch 12-1-99 to 1-14-00 Son of Jay & Amber Blitch	Gabriel Cervantes 1-6-12 to 2-8-12 Son of Chantal Cervantes	Kaylynn Mikala Cowdin 12-2-98 Daughter of Melody Wells & Shannon Cowdin
Brianna Allen 9-29-03 to 2-16-04 Daughter of Diana Hunsinger	Ashanti Star Bolden 12-11-15 Daughter of Shasta & William Bolden	Halee Nicole Cline 11-24-00 to 1-30-01 Daughter of Justin & Beth Cline	Charles Craig, IV 1-21-18 Son of Taneha & Charles Craig
Ava Hadlee Amara 12-13-08 Daughter of Stephanie Reed	Jovan Bonner 7-22-05 to 1-22-06 Son of Kyronna Roanhorse	Kody Lane Cobb 9-16-06 to 12-19-06 Son of Erin & Travis Cobb	Madison Danielle Cunningham 12-20-01 to 1-2-02 Daughter of Ike & Teresa Cunningham
Blade Bryson Wade Anderson 8-30-02 to 1-4-03 Son of Patricia Anderson	Rebecca Jo Bonnesen 10-1-74 to 12-24-74 Daughter of Steve Bonnesen	Jacksyn Coe-Smith 12-21-12 to 1-21-13 Son of Jessie Coe & Brandon Smith	Adam Ray Edward Cutler 10-18-00 to 1-3-01 Son of Christina Knoblauch & Christopher Cutler
Kevin Donnell Anderson 11-16-93 to 12-9-93 Son of Kevin & Debra Anderson	Zane D. Bowen 11-30-09 to 1-25-10 Son of Erik & Melissa Bowen	Charles Edward Coleman 7-12-11 to 1-26-12 Son of Tamara & Hykeem Coleman	Thomas (Chris) Christopher Davidson 10-22-71 to 12-12-71 Son of Mary Hay
Lorenzo Atkinson 2-11-14 Son of Lorenzo & LaQunda Atkinson	Sharae Monique Brown 11-4-93 to 1-12-94 Daughter of Taun Brown	Baby Collins 2-17-14 Child of Ashley Collins	Alyssa Grace Davis 10-21-02 to 1-1-03 Daughter of Donovan Davis & Tammy Graham
Kayla Balsters 10-2-92 to 1-26-93	Ja'Kobe O. Bryant 9-2-10 to 1-28-11 Son of Rikki Starks	Kylie Edith Conrad 9-20-04 to 12-31-04 Daughter of Craig & Brandi Conrad	Jackson Ronald Dawkins 1-11-17 Son of Jessica & Justin Dawkins
Isaiah Barnett 1-26-11 Son of Kimberly Barnett	Jesse Jose Bueno, Jr. 12-9-03 to 2-14-04 Son of Jesse Bueno, Jr. & Rosie Soto	Gabriel Omar Contreras- Rivera 7-4-16 to 2-4-17 Son of Hensser Contreras- Camerros & Dunia Rivera- Villeda	Andrew Deason 11-5-00 to 1-28-01 Son of Trisha Rayl
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Son of Kimberly & Jonathon  
Dunfee

Baby Dutton  
2-1-14  
Child of Shandi Dutton

LaKota "Koty" Renae Dyer  
8-7-96 to 12-8-96  
Daughter of Jennifer Dyer

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11-27-02 to 2-7-03  
Son of Jed & Kristyn  
Easterbrook

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12-23-06  
Daughter of Adam & Helen  
Edgerton

Jasmine Erbe  
12-15-06 to 2-27-07  
Daughter of Vance Erbe &  
Crystal Millar

Hunter Ray Evans  
8-12-98 to 12-10-98  
Son of Don & Camisha Evans

Brandon Thomas Fisher-  
Tyrrell  
10-4-92 to 12-7-92  
Son of Tracey Tyrrell

Alissa Renae Foster  
9-11-97 to 1-14-98  
Daughter of Ben & Trissia  
Foster

Jakaida Ka'Sarria Stephen  
Franklin  
1-7-04 to 2-22-04  
Daughter of Lamerrtia Bur-  
ton

Azhanae French  
11-3-06 to 12-16-06  
Daughter of Kanitra Crump  
& Roland French

Ethan Logan Garner  
10-2-02 to 1-12-03  
Son of Leslie & Jeremiah  
Garner

Tyler Georzen  
10-8-97 to 1-1-98  
Daughter of Don & Mallisa  
Georzen

Jailyn Diego Goetz  
6-30-08 to 2-13-09  
Son of Jarrod Goetz &  
Ashley Genschorck

Adrianna Marie Gollihar  
9-13-01 to 12-31-01  
Daughter of Veronica  
Bradford

Skyler James Christopher  
Graber  
9-9-02 to 1-12-03  
Son of James Graber &  
Mindy Thomas

Jet R. Greene  
9-12-89 to 2-20-90  
Son of Rick Greene

Neveah Lynn Marie  
Roxanne Grimes  
11-8-09 to 2-7-10  
Daughter of Jeremy Grimes  
& Jessica Rourke

Dryden Jonathan Hale  
10-9-02 to 12-11-02  
Son of Catherine Haws

Lewis David Bohdan  
Hamer-Thompson  
3-1-01 to 1-13-03  
Son of Heather Hamer &  
Paul Thompson

Hanna Hanine  
12-23-07 to 2-1-08  
Daughter of Jennifer & Adil  
Hanine

Trenton David Harbert  
10-23-96 to 2-1-97  
Son of Peggy & Scott  
Lawrence & Bill Harbert

Zachary Taylor Harbert  
10-29-93 to 12-16-93  
Son of Dennis Stout & Tina  
Harbert

Jackson Miller Harnett  
12-20-06 to 2-20-07  
Son of Justin & Karen Harnett

Kendra Harper  
9-2-10 to 12-8-10  
Daughter of Pamela Marshall

Arath Harrera  
10-2-13 to 1-18-14  
Son of Niria Meza

Jesse Hartley  
2-2-04 to 2-10-04  
Child of George Hartley &  
Valerie Mendoza

William Lesley Hayden  
1-25-10 to 2-24-10  
Son of Jessica Elliott

Tyler Tyrone Henderson  
8-22-02 to 2-17-03  
Son of Tinerria Williams &  
Elton Henderson

Jazmyne Marie Hendrix  
10-26-07 to 1-12-08  
Daughter of Jaimie Winn

Henri Hernandez  
9-6-00 to 1-6-01  
Son of Enrique & Yesenia  
Hernandez

Matthew L. Herndon  
2-20-12  
Child of Matt Herndon &  
Amber Young

Bryan Ray Huffman  
10-29-04 to 12-24-04  
Son of John Huffman &  
Janet Lynn Lohman

Angel Ibarra-Larumbe  
2-4-17  
Son of Lluvia Larumbe-  
Ibarra & Antonio Ibarra

Syr Jackson  
12-9-05 to 1-18-06  
Son of Patricia Bannister

London J. Johnson  
11-24-09 to 1-17-10  
Son of Dexter Johnson &  
Katherine Tucker

Michael Noel Johnson  
11-11-75 to 1-6-76  
Son of Barbara Johnson

Baby Girl Johnson  
1-22-11  
Daughter of Maceo  
Bridgwater & Shoridella  
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Jackson Juneman  
11-28-00 to 2-8-01  
Son of Melanie & Frank  
Juneman

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11-1-98 to 1-13-99  
Son of Karrie Keehner

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12-6-12 to 2-6-13  
Daughter of Amanda Kelly

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1-17-18  
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1-14-05  
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Lehman

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11-19-07 to 12-15-07  
Daughter of Cheri Herald &  
Jamie LeShore

Dakota A. Long  
8-21-01 to 1-6-02  
Son of Alex & Melissa Long

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Anna Marshall 9-28-04 to 12-25-04 Daughter of Tiffany Monroe	Seaneice Miller 10-24-97 to 12-6-97 Daughter of Tim & Sheleine Miller	Annabelle Faith Ocheltree 12-2-14 Daughter of Tiffany & Andrew Ocheltree	Joshua Christian Richmond 4-17-94 to 2-6-95 Son of Chris & Emma Richmond
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Patricia Anne McMullen- Tatum 9-17-00 to 2-23-01 Daughter of Bryan Tatum & Betty McMullen	Kory Niehaus 10-2-95 to 12-19-95 Son of Dawn Niehaus	Kristopher Dylan Reed 12-21-03 to 2-5-04 Son of Melanie Willige	Payne F. Shannon 10-9-06 to 1-20-07 Son of Bianca Shannon

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Baby Boy Showers 12-16-12 Son of Tanea Showers	Brentley Gavin Standridge 9-21-11 to 12-27-11 Son of Cody & Cassie Standridge	Raill Trotter 9-17-98 to 12-23-98 Son of Ray & Maria Trotter	Jayden Scott White 9-28-12 to 12-3-12 Son of Desiree White & Matt Vestering
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Rebecca Mitchell	Katie Ritz	Jorge Simental	Jaclyn & Andrew Vath
Rustin McLaughlin	Katie Rowell	Joshua Schmeiter	Kenna Vaught
Sandy Martin	Kay Ross	Karley Sievisa	Olivia Vaught
Savanna McCardel	Kendall Robertson	Kayci Scott	Spencer Vath
Sheila Marquez	Kevin Robertson	Kelly Slizewski	Andrea Wagner
Tracey McNeely	Lindsay Rowley	Ken Schmidt	Blake White
Aiden Nance	Lyla Roger	Kim Schunn	Braden Winter
Athena Newman	Michael Robertson	Kristin Sams	Brittany Wetig
Beckett Nierman	Peggy Rogers	Kurt Schmidt	Chad Williams
Carly Nunn	Sean & Andrea Rodger	Kylee Schunn	Chris Westfahl
Kaytlin Nierman	Stella Roger	Lauren Smith	David Walker
Kim Neufeld	Trisha Richmeier	Leah Smith	Donna Williams
Lily Nold	Adrienne Selle	Libby Spradlin	Emersyn Wilson
Network for Good	Amy Schunn	Lincoln Seitz	Emma Watkins
Sarah & Joe Nold	Andrew Schunn	Lisa Staib	Erin & Michael Wells
Sarah Nuss	Andrew Shideler	Luis Sauzamedia	Glenda Willis
Savannah Newman	Andrew Smith	Marcia Smith	Grayson Wells
Sean Nance	Ann Spradlin	Mari Stauth	Jack Walker
Thomas Nold	Art & Deborah Stack	Mark Stauth	Jessica Winfrey
Van Nguyen	Ashton Sasser	Marshall Schmeiter	Jill Wahl
Andrew Ocheltree	Austin Schmidt	Maverick Stauth	Luke Winfrey
Diane Oelke	Avery Schill	Molly Schmidt	Mandi Waugh
Melissa Orme	Avery Stauth	Monica Spreier	Margaret West
Owen & Deanna Ochs	Bob Schunn	Nadia Small	Marlene & Roy Williams
Stephen Ondrovich	Brice Sasser	Norma Schmidt	Megan & Chris Westfahl
Tiffany Ocheltree	Candace Shoenberger	Ray & Marilyn Small	Michelle Winter
Tracee O'Grady	Carolyn Schmidt	Remington Scott	Paula Williams
Adam Pahls	Casey Schunn	Rex Smith	Sam Warren
Allie Pippitt	Chris & Tonya Smith	Rob Schunn	The Walser Foundation
Anna Puetz	Cody & Jalysa Scott	Robert & Denise Schreiber	Tracy Welsh
Cathey Pepper	Cole Seitz	Rockail Staib	Wichita Area Parents of Multiples
Cody Pippitt	Cooper Schmeiter	Samuel Schmidt	Wichita Black Nurses Association
Gary Phillips	Daisy Simental	Sara Stieben	Wichita Community Foundation -- Wagon Masters
Gretchen Postiniglione	Daniel Simental	Sarah Schill	Wichita Now
Jace Pippitt	Darlene Burkey	State of Kansas	
Jennifer Pickler	David Simental	Thomas & Ashley Stanley	
Kerri & JD Petersen	Diana Schunn	Tony Saggerson	
Lindsay Pahls	Dustin Staib	Traci Small	
Marc Perez	Dustin Staib	Traxtyn Sievisa	
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## Topeka West High School Safe Sleep Champions

Thanks to Topeka West High School students for creating and presenting on Safe Sleep at the Fairlawn Plaza Girls Night Out event on May 3, 2018. Students of Mrs. York's Leadership One Class, Kylie Eldridge and Mercedes Collie worked together to educate their community about Safe Sleep efforts.

The students also worked with River of Life Church and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas to collect pacifiers, diapers, dolls and funds to be used in the upcoming Safe Sleep Instructor training.



(Left to right) Mrs. York and Kylie Eldridge at Topeka West High.

## Safe Sleep Best Practices Spread Through Instructor Training

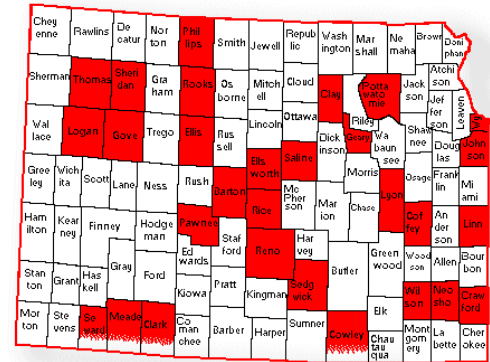
Over 50 Safe Sleep Instructors have been trained statewide, each charged with annually training at least 10 health care providers in best sleep practices, participating in a KIDS Network Community Baby Shower and educating the community about safe sleep.

Christy Schunn, KIDS Network executive director, noted at a recent board meeting that the effects of the training have spread as the number of instructors has grown. It has benefited from support from KDHE, which provides grant funding and encourages their staff and grantees to attend the training. Safe Kids Kansas is another valuable partner, helping promote and ensure safe sleep is embedded within their coalitions.

“Our goal is to embed and sustain safe sleep education by creating a statewide infrastructure of certified Safe Sleep Instructors” Schunn said.

The next Safe Sleep Instructor training will be October 25 & 26 in Wichita. To find out more about the program, contact KIDS SSI director Maria Torres at (316) 682-1301 or [ssidirector@kidsks.org](mailto:ssidirector@kidsks.org).

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NOTES:  
Safe Sleep Instructors as of 4/1/18



You can now connect with the KIDS Network via Facebook groups! These closed groups are a place for bereaved families in Kansas to offer and receive peer support, ask questions, and connect. Each region has it's own group so families can connect with people in their area.

To join the group in your area, send a friend request to **Christy Schunn Kids** and ask to join one of the following Facebook groups.

### KIDS Network Pregnancy and Infant Loss Groups

- ♥ **Northeast KS**
- ♥ **Northwest KS**
- ♥ **Southwest KS**
- ♥ **South Central KS**

Mark your calendars for the 16th Annual Step Up for KIDS 5k & Memorial Walk

Saturday, May 4, 2019  
Old Cowtown Museum  
Wichita, KS

Step Up for KIDS is the signature fundraising event for the KIDS Network.





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 Wichita, KS 67202  
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**KIDS Support Meetings**

**Wichita**

Meet 4th Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m. KIDS Office, 1148 S. Hillside, Suite 10, Wichita, KS. **RSVP** by calling 316-682-1301. Childcare available—Please call in advance so arrangements can be made.

**Topeka**

Meet 3rd Thursday of the month, 7:00 p.m. Pozez Education Center—1505 S. W. 8th, Topeka, KS. **RSVP** (1-866-399-7437) is **required** otherwise meeting will be canceled.

**Salina**

Meet 1st Monday of the month, 7:00 p.m. Salina Public Library—301 W. Elm St., Salina, KS. **RSVP** (1-866-399-7437) is **required** otherwise meeting will be canceled.

If you are interested in attending a group in Hays, Hutchinson or Pittsburg please call the KIDS office at 1-866-399-7437.

**Online Support Groups**

**General Web site:** [www.sidsfamilies.com](http://www.sidsfamilies.com)

**Support Groups:**

- General SIDS Discussion:  
[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidsfamilies](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidsfamilies)
- SIDS Grandparents:  
[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidsgrandparents](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidsgrandparents)
- SIDS Fathers:  
[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidsdads](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidsdads)
- Expecting SIDS Moms & Moms w/subsequent babies:  
[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/babiesaftersids](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/babiesaftersids)
- SIDS Moms Trying to Conceive:  
[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidsmomstrying](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidsmomstrying)
- SIDS Siblings:  
[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidssiblings](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidssiblings)
- SIDS Parents a Few Years Down the Road:  
[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidsdtr](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sidsdtr)
- SIDS Aunts:  
[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sids-aunts](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/sids-aunts)
- SIDS Awareness:  
[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/angelsinthedia](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/angelsinthedia)
- Online support (live chats or specific sessions) for parents, grandparents, and siblings (over the age of 18) grieving the death of a child:  
[www.compassionatefriends.org/resources/Online\\_Support.aspx](http://www.compassionatefriends.org/resources/Online_Support.aspx)
- Help with SIDS websites and related graphics:  
[www.groups.yahoo.com/group/wsng](http://www.groups.yahoo.com/group/wsng)

**Additional Online Support Web Sites**

- Faces of Loss, Faces of Hope  
<http://facesofloss.com/>
- IRIS (Infants Remembered in Silence)  
<http://www.irisremembers.com/>

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