

Consent Form

Please Print

I hereby give consent for the child listed below to talk to a Griefbuster of Amador & Calaveras.



Print Child's Name

Child's Date of Birth

Print Parent/Guardian Name

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Name and relationship of deceased

Phone Number

Today's Date

Best Time to Call

Other Hospice of Amador & Calaveras Services

- *Expert end-of-life care, comfort, and support*
- *Caregiver support groups*
- *Bereavement support groups*
- *Referrals to other community services*
- *Volunteer Support*



Griefbusters is a bereavement support program of Hospice of Amador & Calaveras.
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Services are available free of charge.
 For more information, please call our
 Griefbuster Volunteer Coordinator at:
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Griefbusters

Every loss needs a hundred tellings



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Hospice

of Amador & Calaveras

History of Griefbusters of Amador & Calaveras

In 1984 Hospice of the Central Coast offered a one-day workshop for school teachers and administrators on how to help grieving students in the classroom. Following the workshop many of the school officials expressed a need for Hospice workers to come talk with students who were experiencing a personal loss.

Ten Hospice volunteers, already experienced in helping adults through the grieving process, were given additional training in working with children. Griefbusters was born.

Griefbusters of Amador & Calaveras is a replication of this very successful program where volunteers, trained by Hospice of Amador & Calaveras, work with grieving students either individually or with groups after a school-wide crisis. They are available to parents and other staff for consultation and support.

Griefbusters of Amador & Calaveras is also a community resource with books and videos on the



subject of grief and bereavement in children. Additionally, we are available for presentations to parents and other community groups.



Griefbusters of Amador & Calaveras

are volunteers who are specially trained by Hospice of Amador & Calaveras and experienced in dealing with loss and grief.



Griefbusters of Amador & Calaveras respond to the special needs of young people who may need help in coping with and recovering from traumatic personal losses caused by the death of someone close.

Griefbusters of Amador & Calaveras listen and give support; they are not “therapists.”

Griefbusters of Amador & Calaveras are available to meet with students’ families.

*Conversations are private and confidential.
Services are provided without charge.*

When Griefbusters of Amador & Calaveras are needed...

Sue’s mother is dying of cancer. At 17, Sue is becoming a loner and her schoolwork is suffering.

Mrs. Smith, a popular second grade teacher, died unexpectedly after surgery. Her students were very frightened. Why did Mrs. Smith die? What does it mean? Who will be our teacher?

Mike, 13, was walking to school one rainy morning when a car skidded out of control and hit him. Two weeks later he died from his injuries. His classmates and friends were shocked and confused. How could this happen to their friend?

Understanding the loss of someone close and getting beyond the grief is very difficult for anyone – especially young people. Griefbusters of Amador and Calaveras can help with their grief process, which is so necessary to begin to move forward with their lives.

