

# Death of a Parent:

A Tiny Step Forward - A boy copes with the death of his mom by keeping the memories of the good times and the love they shared alive. Charlene Khaghan & Jill Starishevsky. Ages 4-10

**Always My Dad** - A small picture book about the enduring love a young boy finds after the death of his father. Kathryn Graf. Ages 5-10

**Because the Sky is Everywhere** - A child looks everywhere for his father until he learns an important lesson. Nancy Sharp. Ages 3-8

Everett Anderson's Goodbye - Young boy experiences grief following the death of his father. Lucille Clifton. Ages 3-9

A Journey with Mrs. Beens: A Children's Storybook of Grief Support - A lovely book about two children whose mother died. Marsha Ann Dobler. Ages 3-9. Available for New Hope Grief Support Community.

My BIG DUMB Invisible DRAGON - A metaphorical tale about a young boy's journey after his mother's death. Focus is on his reactions and how he learns to cope. Angie Lucas. Ages 4-11

Not the End: A Child's Journey Through Grief - Created to give hope to children grieving the death of a parent. Mari Dombkowski. Ages 6-12

Not the End of the Chavez Family - *True story about one family's journey after the father dies.* Mari Dombkowski. Written in English and in Spanish. Ages 6-12

Sad but OK- My Daddy Died Today - Chapter book chronicling a family's journey through cancer, death, and grief. Barbara Frisbie Juneau. Ages 8-12

**Saying Goodbye to Daddy** - Gentle treatment of death, funerals, grief as a multi-generational family grieves the death of the adult son, husband and father. Judith Vigna. Ages 6-12

# Death of a Grandparent:

Birds of a Feather: A Children's Story of Love, Loss and What Came Next - Tom Crice. Ages 5-11

Children Also Grieve: Talking about Death & Healing - A story about a dog in a family whose grandfather died; has room to create scrapbook. Linda Goldman. Ages 5-10

**Finding Grandpa Everywhere** - *A young child discovers memories of a grandparent*. John Hodge. Ages 3-10. Available through the Centering Corporation, www.centering.org.

I know I Made it Happen - Deals with self-blame when a series of bad things happen including a grandparent's death. Lynn Bennett Blackburn. Ages 6-12

**Saying Goodbye to Grandma** - *In depth look at a family gathering for the funeral of a beloved grandmother* Jane Resh Thomas. Ages 8-12

Something Very Sad Happened: A toddler's guide to understanding death - A mother tells her son about the death of his Grandmother. Bonnie Zucker. Ages 2-5

Until We Meet Again - Children react to death of grandfather. Susan Jones. Ages 3-10

What's Heaven? - Children react to death of grandfather. Maria Shriver. Ages 3-8

Wishes for One More Day - Melanie Joy Pastor. Ages 3-10

Zayde Comes to Live - Sheri Sinykin. Ages 4-10

Zeydeh: A Story Guide to Help Jewish Children Cope with Loss and Bereavement - Moshe Halevi Spero. Ages 6-12

### Death of a Sibling:

Alicia Afterimage - Lulu Delacre. Ages 12-adult

Always My Brother - Jean Reagen. Ages 6-11

A Birthday Present for Daniel - Juliet Rothman. Ages 3-9

The Empty Place: A Child's Guide through Grief - Roberta Temes, PhD. Ages 3-8

**Thumpy's Story** - Bunnies learn about death, grief and love when their sibling dies. Good Explanations for younger children. Nancy C. Dodge. Ages 3-8

**Where's Our Baby?** - Captures the essence of a young child's need to understand why Mom returns from the hospital without the baby brother he'd been looking forward to meeting. Valerie Oldfield. Ages 4-10

#### Death by Suicide:

**Bart Speaks Out** - An interactive story and workbook for children dealing specifically with a death by suicide. Uses photos of dogs to soften the impact. Linda Goldman, M.S. Ages 3-10

But I Didn't Get to Say Good-Bye - A book for parents and professionals helping child suicide survivors; portions may be read aloud with older children. Barbara Rubel.

Supporting Children Who Are Grieving a Death by Suicide – An informational toolkit created by the National Alliance for Children's Grief to teach caregivers, professionals, and children how to have a conversation with a child about a suicide death. Website: NACG Supporting Children who are Grieving a Death by Suicide (adobe.com)

# Books for Grief in General:

Bereaved Children and Teens: A Support Guide for Parents and Professionals - Edited by Earl A. Grollman. Ages 3-18 (appropriate for older teens)

**Brave Bart** - A cat experiences both a post-traumatic stress reaction and grief following a bad, scary thing. Caroline Sheppard, ACSW. Ages 3-14

**Day of the Dead** - A village in Mexico prepares and celebrates this holiday which honors the memories of their loved ones. Tony Johnston & Jeanette Winter. Ages 3-10

My Grief Journal: for Grieving Children/Teens\* - Offers the opportunity to draw or write about memories & feelings after death. OUR HOUSE Grief Support Center. Ages 3-10 and 11-18 \*can be purchased through OUR HOUSE website

The Rhino Who Swallowed a Storm - Gentle story about how we can overcome tragic events with support. LeVar Burton & Susan Schaefer Bernardo. Ages 5-11

When Dinosaurs Die - Laurie Krasny Brown and Marc Brown. Ages 6-12

My Good Grief Journal for Kids - *An iPad app for grieving children and their adults.* Ages 6-12 Website: http://mygoodgriefjournalforkids.com/

## Death of a Pet:

My Pet Died: Let's Make a Book about It - Rachel Biale

"Oh Where has my Pet Gone?": a pet loss memory book - Sally Sibbit. Ages 3-103

When Only the Love Remains: The Pain of Pet Loss - Emily Margaret Stuparyk

**The Tenth Good Thing About Barney** - *Death, Grief and the afterlife as experienced by a young boy following the death of his dear cat.* Judith Viorst. Ages 3-8