

Annual Transgender Day of Remembrance Candlelight Vigil November 19, 2011, 6:30 pm

Order of Memorial

We welcome members of the transgender community, our families, friends and allies for joining in this solemn candlelight vigil in observance of the 13th Annual Transgender Day of Remembrance.

*The speakers commemorating
this year's event with us are:*

Pam Whiteley

Mid-Pacific Regional Director, PFLAG

Dr. Francie Milazzo

Sutter Gender Support Group, US Navy Veteran

Rachael Hudson

Operations Manager, Gender Health Center

The International Transgender Day of Remembrance memorializes those who have suffered violent deaths due to their actual or perceived gender identity or expression. The first memorial was a candlelight vigil in November 1999 to honor Rita Hester, murdered in 1998. Since then, annual memorials on this day have been observed around the world.

Officiants – Rev. Canon Lynell Walker,
Rev. Rosario Vargas, and Sr. Elena Kelly, OSH
Music Directors – James Clark, Meghan O’Keefe
Sign Interpretation – KJ Interpreting Services

Prelude – “Heal The World” – Musicians

Welcome – Dr. Francie Milazzo

Lighting of the Memorial Candle – Rev. Canon Lynell Walker

Song – “Firework” – Musicians

Pam Whiteley – Mid-Pacific Regional Director, PFLAG

Slide show – Rachael Hudson

Dr. Francie Milazzo – Facilitator, Sutter Gender Support Group

Piano Solo – “Lullaby Me” – Meghan O’Keefe

Rachael Hudson – Operations Director, Gender Health Center

Blessing – The River City Sisters

Reading of list of names – Lullaby (instrumental)

Remembering Chloe – Allison Murphy

Spoken Word – “Commercial Break” – Jovi Radtke

Candlelight Circle – Rev. Rosario Vargas – MCC

Song – “Born This Way” – all

Closing – Sr. Elena Kelly – Order of St. Hildegard

Recessional – “Heal The World” – Musicians

Reception in the Great Hall (all welcome)

Remembering Our Dead

Nine years have passed since the tragic slaying of seventeen year-old Gwen Araujo, and three years ago Ruby Molina was found floating in the American River. Last year Sacramento's own Carol Ann Byers and Carina Paige Holleran and many young people were numbered among these victims of fear, hatred and violence or who despaired and ended their own lives. These brothers and sisters of ours



chose to engage and live their lives as they knew how braving the scorn and ridicule of those who would not understand them. Finally they paid the ultimate price.



Their tragedies touch us deeply. Their lives inspire admiration and impress the urgency and need for all our brothers and sisters to be allowed to be themselves without fear and danger.

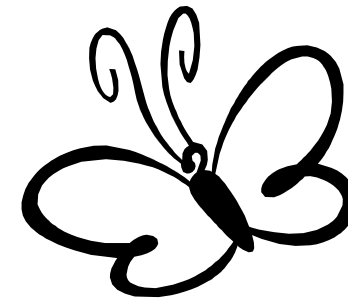
We shed our tears for the loss of these brothers and sisters, for the grief of their families and our community, for the grief of all of us who have long suffered pain from uncaring individuals. Let their memories live in our hearts and inspire all of us to commit to work for a more loving and accepting world for all.



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