

# HONORING REMEMBERING CARING FOR KIDS



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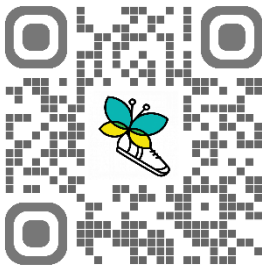
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## Seventh Annual Butterfly Run Walk & Flutter to Support Grieving Families Following Child Loss



**Who:** Missing Pieces, Greater Illinois Pediatric Palliative Care Coalition, and The HAP Foundation

**What:** Will be hosting the annual Butterfly 5K to run, walk, and flutter in support of families and communities impacted by a child's death

**Where:** Sunday, October 2, 2022 at 9 a.m. located at Busse Woods, Ned Brown Grove #26 in Elk Grove Village, 60008

**Why:** The death of a child is unimaginable and yet, for more than 2,500 families in Illinois each year it is a reality. Additionally, 1 in 4 pregnancies end in loss. Many families grieve alone and feel isolated without a place to share their story or a community to understand their heartache. The Butterfly Run 5k brings hope and healing for grieving families by creating a community of support and dedicating a day to celebrating the memory of their baby or child.

**Participate:** Register to run or donate at [www.butterflyrunillinois.org](http://www.butterflyrunillinois.org). Join us for a post-run party in the park with children's activities, entertainers, music and more. For questions, contact [info@butterflyrunillinois.org](mailto:info@butterflyrunillinois.org) or 312-741-1283.

### *About Missing Pieces and The HAP Foundation:*

Missing Pieces is a network of Chicagoland organizations dedicated to supporting families and their communities following the death of an infant, child, or young adult. Our partners bring expertise in child loss by illness, trauma, homicide, overdose and suicide, serving families and children grieving prenatal through young adult deaths.

The HAP Foundation is an independent nonprofit that provides education, advocacy, workforce development, and research around hospice and palliative care for all ages. With four decades rooted in direct patient care, it focuses on providing guidance to resources, including grief and bereavement support; educating communities and professionals; and advancing policies that assist individuals and families coping with end of life.