LINDA B. FINDLAY

About

Linda Findlay has served the bereaved since 1994. She is a career Professional Aftercare Coordinator specializing in providing aftercare services and resources for the funeral industry, hospices, and faith-based organizations. She has created and facilitated hundreds of workshops, remembrance services, and support groups across the nation. She is a lay counselor for a Christian Care Ministry in South Carolina.



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Experience

Funeral Service Aftercare Coordinator

Coordinates and provides grief support services to bereaved families for 300 funeral firms in 25 states and Canada. To date, has worked with over 168,000 families.

Support Group Facilitator & Trainer

Facilitates support groups for all types of loss for sponsors including funeral homes, hospices and faithbased organizations. Provides curriculum and facilitator training for program sponsors.

Facilitator, Heartstrings Ministry

Co-facilitator of a support group for bereaved mothers, and assists with an annual retreat.

Facilitator & Trainer, Local Chapter of Grief Recovery After a Substance Passing (GRASP)

Provides group facilitator training, and facilitated support groups for families who lost a loved one to substance abuse.

Outreach Coordinator, Interim Hospice

Created and maintained the bereavement services website and marketing material. Also presents and assists with community outreach events and support groups.

Program Facilitator, Hospice Care Inc.

Served as Life Changes Program Facilitator. Provided support groups for grieving seniors. Co-developed and facilitated a 6-week support group for newly bereaved individuals in the community.

Guest speaker at a 9/11 community memorial service. Developed and presented annual workshops and memorial services for the community.

Experience (con't)

Kenyon International Disaster Management

Certified Disaster Management Team Member

Hospice Care Inc.

Completed Bereavement Skills Training Program and annual CE requirements. Completed Hospice Patient Care Volunteer Training. Former member of the Community Outreach Bereavement Educator & Speakers Bureau.

Certified Widowed Persons Service Volunteer Trainer, AARP Loss and Grief Program

Trained volunteers to provide peer support to newly bereaved widows/widowers in their community.

Program Coordinator, Lutheran Care Ministries

Developed and implemented bereavement outreach services. Trained volunteers to provide grief support to newly bereaved widows and widowers.

Past President, Share of The Mohawk Valley

Bereavement Support Group Facilitator since 1991, past president of the Board of Directors.

Publications

BOOKS: The Family Care Series[™]

"Aftercare Solutions Manual," for Certified Aftercare Specialists™

"iCare Facilitator Manual," for church leaders & congregants

"iCare Participant Workbook," for church groups

"iCare Chapter Manual," for community groups

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"Mourning Discoveries" Family Care 5-book series

"Mourning Discoveries: During the Holidays," coauthored with David J. Roberts, LMSW, CASAC

"Mourning Discoveries: Loss of a Pet," coauthored with David J. Roberts, LMSW, CASAC

ARTICLES:

Nomis Publications Funeral Business Advisor Order of the Golden Rule The Catholic Sun Publication Utica Observer Dispatch Oneida County Home News Funeral & Cemetery Today Employee Benefit News Fraternal Monitor The Fraternal Leader

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Past Speaking Engagements

- Indiana Funeral Directors Association
- Virginia Funeral Directors Association
- Directors Life Insurance
- South Carolina Funeral Directors Association
- Pennsylvania Funeral Directors Association
- Allegheny County Funeral Directors Association
- Funeral Directors of Southern Pennsylvania
- Tri-County Funeral Directors Association
- Syracuse Funeral Directors Association
- Order of The Golden Rule
- Loyal Christen Benefit Society
- Hospice & Palliative Care Inc. Oneida Health Care Center, Rome Memorial Hospital
- Mohawk Valley Community College, Board of Education
- City School District of The City of Little Falls
- Oneida County Health Department
- Annual Interfaith Conference for Clergy
- Herkimer County Front Line Worker Forum
- St. Joseph Nursing Home
- Zion Lutheran Church
- Madison Oneida Board of Cooperative Education Services
- Utica College of Syracuse University
- State University of New York
- SUNY IT
- National Hospice and Palliative Care Tele-conference guest panelist
- Herkimer County Boces continuing education training for caregivers
- Healthy Babies, Healthy Women Program
- SIDS Coalition of Upstate NY

- SHARE of The Mohawk Valley
- St. Lukes Memorial Hospital in-service training for staff
- Enea Family Funeral Homes
- Lincoln Life Insurance Customer Service training
- Smith Funeral Home
- Malecki Funeral Home
- Catholic Family Life-Training for Sales Representative
- Doolittle Funeral Home Annual holiday workshop
- VanderPlatt Funeral Home holiday grief support program and remembrance service
- International Order of The Golden Rule audio training series contributor
- Interim Hospice annual holiday help seminar
- Heart String Ministry day retreat
- GRASP of Greenville