

# Compassionate Friends Worldwide Candle Lighting®

During Holiday Season  
Remember All Children Who Have Died



Anticipation of a very special and memorable day grows as the 15th Worldwide Candle Lighting December 11, 2011 nears. The Compassionate Friends Worldwide Candle Lighting unites family and friends around the globe in lighting candles for one hour to honor and remember children who have died at any age from any cause. As candles are lit at 7 p.m. local time, creating a virtual wave of light, hundreds of thousands of persons commemorate and honor the memory of children in a way that transcends all ethnic, cultural, religious, and political boundaries.

Now believed to be the largest mass candle lighting on the globe, the Worldwide Candle Lighting, a gift to the bereavement community from The Compassionate Friends, creates a virtual 24-hour wave of light as it moves from time zone to time zone. Hundreds of formal candle lighting events are held and thousands of informal candle lightings are conducted in homes as families gather in quiet remembrance of children who have died, but will never be forgotten.

The Worldwide Candle Lighting started in the United States in 1997 as a small Internet observance but has since swelled in numbers as word has spread throughout the world of the remembrance.

**Jamaica Plain** – Greater Boston Chapter of The Compassionate Friends

**Date & Time:** December 11, 2011 - 4:00 PM to 8:00 PM

**Location:** Forest Hill Cemetery, 95 Forest Hill Ave, Jamaica Plain, MA

**Highlights:** Reading of children's names and selections by local musician.

**Bring:** Christmas ornament exchange.

**Special Events (before):** Pre-registration is recommended.

**Special Events (after):** Light refreshments.

**Additional:** You can register by calling 617-288-8068 or signing a quick note to [thecompassionatefriendsofboston@hotmail.com](mailto:thecompassionatefriendsofboston@hotmail.com)

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