# A resource for grieving parents and their loved ones.

Fouching lives—Healing hearts—Giving Hope.

## Shad the Support Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support

### Share at HSHS St. Mary's

### MONTHLY GROUP SUPPORT

HSHS St. Mary's Share Support Group meets the second Monday of each month at 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Hospital in conference room G18 (lower level).

### ANNUAL SHARE WALK

Families gather together to walk in honor of their babies, keeping memories alive and offering support to one another. This walk includes a memorial service designed not only to remember our babies (each child's name is read), but also to celebrate each life, no matter how long or short.

### ANNUAL HOLIDAY MEMORIAL SERVICE

Join us for a holiday service as families bring a reading, photograph or reflection to share. Each family is invited to bring an ornament to decorate our Share Tree, and will also receive a memorial ornament to keep. Our decorated Share Tree holds ornaments from over 30 years of memorial service celebration.

### SHARE MEMORIAL MONUMENT

The Share Memorial Monument graces the area of Macon County Memorial Park Cemetery, the final resting place for babies who died during pregnancy, at birth, or in early infancy. The monument depicts a tiny baby held in a hand lifted toward Heaven. The monument and benches nearby provide a place for parents and family members to visit and honor their babies, to grieve their loss, and to heal.

For information, call (217) 464-2045.







### **OCTOBER 14, 2017**

9 a.m. Nelson Park Pavilion #2 Decatur, IL





### A Walk to Remember

Share's Walk for Remembrance & Hope takes place in October, which is National Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month. The event commemorates the lives of babies lost due to miscarriage, stillbirth and infant death.

Our second annual Decatur community walk will be held Saturday, October 14 at 9 a.m. beginning in the Nelson Park Pavilion #2. This walk along the lake shore will include a memorial service to remember our babies (each child's name will be read), and also to celebrate each life, no matter how long or short.

As we gather together to walk in honor of our babies, we keep memories alive and offer support to one another. Whether a recent loss, or one that occurred several years ago, we encourage parents and loved ones to come walk the steps our babies will never take.

### 2017 Walk Schedule

Check-in/registration 9-10 a.m. Decorate shirts 9-10 a.m. Memorial service 10 a.m. Memorial Walk 10:30 a.m. Light Refreshments 11 a.m.

### Please note:

Babies' names will not be printed on the back of the 2017 walk shirts. However, each family can decorate the back of their shirts to honor their little one. A decoration area will be set up at the walk, or feel free to come with your shirts already decorated.



### **Register Today!**

Thank you for your interest in registering for the 2017 Share Walk for Remembrance & Hope! Please complete the registration form and mail to HSHS St. Mary's Foundation. All registered participants will receive one program and all walk activities.

Registration fee: \$10 (only one fee per household required)

T-shirts: \$15 each (optional)

To allow time for the entire list of babies' names to be printed in the memorial program, registration forms **MUST** be returned by September 15.

This event will occur rain or shine: however, in cases of extreme weather, St. Mary's may cancel for participant safety. No refunds will be issued due to cancellation. Donations will support HSHS St. Mary's Share program.

### **Merchandise Pick-up**

Mark your calendar! Merchandise will be available for pick up on the following dates:

October 10, 11 and 12 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and 5 - 7 p.m. HSHS St. Mary's Hospital main lobby 1800 E. Lake Shore Drive Decatur, IL 62521

If you are unable to pick up your t-shirt at the times listed above, please call 464-2045 no later than October 10 to make arrangements. T-shirts can only be guaranteed to those registering by September 15.

For information, call (217) 464-2045.

Names will appear AS WRITTEN in the program. Please contact the St. Mary's Spiritual Care Office for unique pronunciations as all names are read aloud during the memorial service/walk.

CONTACT INFORMATION (Please print.)

Last name

Address

City

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Total amount enclosed (t-shirt total above plus \$10 registration fee): Make checks payable to: HSHS St. Mary's Foundation and mail to: HSHS St. Mary's Foundation 2017 Share Walk 1800 E. Lake Shore Drive \$15 per t-shirt x

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I WALK IN MEMORY OF (Please print.)

Cell phone

Home phone

Please print clearly and complete all sections. To ensure your baby's name(s) will be listed in the program, your registration MUST be received by September 15.

### IMPORTANT:

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