

CBAG BIBLIOGRAPHY
Books about Death & Grief: Written for Children

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Photos & simple text for young children with accompanying text for parents/teachers.
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A tribute to 16 year-old Alicia, who died in a 2004 car accident and the grief stories of thirteen friends who remember her in their own voices. Ages 12 and up.
3. Am I Still A Sister? Alicia M.Sims. Starline Printing, Inc., 1992. (Order from Big A & Company, P. O. Box 92032, Albuquerque, NM 87199.)
Alicia grieves the death of her baby brother. Ages 6 through teen.
4. The Brightest Star. Kathleen Maresh Hemery, Centering Corporation, 1998. (To order, contact Companion Books, 477 Hannah Branch Rd., Brunsville, NC 28714, 828-675-5909.)
Molly grieves the death of her mother.
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Sisters grieve the loss of their Daddy. Pre-school to age 10.
6. The Dead Bird. Margaret Wise Brown. William Scott Publisher, 1958.
Deals very concretely with death and the burial of a bird by children. Excellent for pre-schoolers.
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A survival guide for teens utilizing cartoons to communicate information about grief.
8. Fall of Freddie the Leaf. Leo Buscaglia. The story of life, death and the changing seasons of life. Less concrete and more spiritually oriented.
9. Fire in My Heart, Ice in My Veins, a Journal for Teenagers Expressing a Loss. Enid Samuel Traisman, MSW, Centering Corporation. (To order, call Companion Books at (828) 675-5909.)
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Magination Press, New York, 1993.
Amanda is upset that she is going to lose her friend, Gentle Willow, but learns that there are special ways of saying goodbye. Ages 4 through 10.
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A guide for teenagers and their friends.

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23. We Remember Philip. Norma Simon. Albert Whitman, and Company. Chicago, 1979. Classmates express their feelings over the sudden death of their teacher's son. Ages eight through twelve.
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