LG B T Bereavement Support Group

Avow will offer a special eight-week grief support series designed to accommodate the unique, complicated grief issues often experienced by members of the lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender community. The absence of role recognition of LGBT widowhood often devalues the loss of the relationship in mainstream society. The group is designed to support individuals who have experienced the loss of a partner with no time-frame requirement.

Topics addressed during the sessions will include:

• Creating meaning and value after the loss of a partner
• Widowhood in the absence of familial, professional, and social support for the LGBT community, resulting in complicated grief
• The unique psychosocial challenges of grief and loss when not socially endorsed by mainstream society
• The personal journey of the grief and loss healing process

Mondays at 6:00 p.m.
at Avow’s Ispiri Center
1095 Whippoorwill Lane, Naples FL 34105

The sessions will be co-facilitated by Avow volunteer Mike Dias, M.Ed., LSW – Chairman of WECARE Gay Social Network and Avow Bereavement Specialist Lillian Cuevas, CT

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