# Sharing the Hope of Jesus Christ in Times of Need

### Hearts of Mercy & Compassion,

Crosses for Losses provides a physical and spiritual symbol through the giving of hearts and crosses to families and friends who have suffered loss or serious illness of a loved one. A caring Christian provides these symbols to share the hope of Jesus Christ in their time of need through presence and prayer. The Hearts allow people to write a message or signature on them to show their love and support for those grieving or suffering.

Psalm 23:4, "Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me."

In our times of grief we look for comfort, hope and reassurance. We look for friends and family to walk with us, be with us, and be present.

Lutheran Church Charities working through churches can provide a Mercy Heart upon request at no charge. The heart itself is universal and conveys love. The color blue is the color of hope. The fish a symbol of God's saving grace.





#### For more information or to request a heart:

Email: info@HeartsMC.org

Visit: www.LutheranChurchCharities.org



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#### Mercy Hearts can be given for circumstances such as:

- Death of a loved one
- Hospice care
- In times of loneliness and fear

## Specialized Hearts of Mercy & Compassion can be provided for:

- Hearts for Military Service: This heart is purple, which is a combination of each of the five military branch colors. Includes a decal from the appropriate military branch.
- ► Hearts for First Responders: The blue heart will have the appropriate Thin Line decal;
  Law Enforcement Thin Blue Line,
  Firefighters Thin Red Line,
  and other Public Safety Service Thin Yellow line.



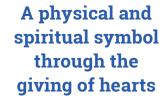




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#### **Ways to Give**

Online www.LutheranChurchCharities.org

By Mail Lutheran Church Charities 3020 Milwaukee Ave., Northbrook, IL 60062

By Telephone Call 866-455-6466

By Text Text @LCCGIVE to 52014 and follow the prompts