

Helping Military Children Handle Loss

GRIEF KIT

Helping Children Cope with Loss by Focusing on Understanding, Commemoration, and Accommodation

The *Helping Military Children Handle Loss Grief Kit* is designed to support families and children ages six and older who have experienced the loss of a loved one. The Grief Kit is centered around the Parents Choice Gold award-winning animated DVD, *What on Earth Do You Do When Someone Dies?* which uses gentle humor,

original music, and a compassionate story line to explain loss to children. The Grief Kit is also filled with resources that help military children and their families treasure beloved memories and move toward understanding and healing.

The Grief Kit Includes:

- Award-winning animated DVD, *What On Earth Do You Do When Someone Dies?*
- Award-winning book, *What On Earth Do You Do When Someone Dies?*
- A journal for self expression with original artwork and writing prompts
- Coco™, a plush toy mouse who offers comfort and companionship
- Caregiver booklet with insights and tips
- A letter from Coco™

All housed in a memory box to protect treasured keepsakes.

The Grief Kit is Endorsed by:

- USO
- Military OneSource
- Survivor Outreach Services
- Elementary School Counselors
- Hospice Organizations



“Thank you very much for making that memory box. The USO gave us the Grief Kit after my step dad died in Afghanistan. My little brother was crying all the time. I put lots of good pictures and notes in it. I love that mouse doll too. That was a good thing for that box.”

— Lesley

“I’ve had about ten people that I really love pass away... [b]ut your care package has really helped me with all the crying.”

— Caitlyn

