



Please join the Funeral Consumers Alliance of Greater Kansas City for our Annual Program on Friday, November 1 from 1-4 pm

Ewing Marion Kauffman Conference Center

CEUs available for in-person attendees—
NO COST

Embracing All Journeys

Date: Friday, November 1, 2024, from 1 to 4 pm

In person: Ewing Marion Kauffman Conference Center
4801 Rockhill Road, Brookside Room
Kansas City, Missouri 64110

You Tube: To be posted on YouTube within 48 hours

To register: See instructions and link at www.funeralskc.org

If we can embrace end-of-life journeys of all cultures and groups, we may be able to understand our own journeys more clearly. This year we are making space specifically for LGBTQ+ perspectives and generally for a look at the role End-of-Life Doulas might play in anyone's journey.

Program Objectives: Participants will ...

- Explore the distinct emotional, social, and cultural factors that shape the grieving process within LGBTQ+ communities.
- Examine common challenges such as lack of family support, societal stigma, and discrimination that may complicate the grieving process.
- Analyze the barriers LGBTQ+ individuals encounter when seeking mental health or grief support services, including underrepresentation in care and heteronormative biases.
- Learn effective approaches for creating safe, supportive spaces that acknowledge and affirm the unique grief experiences of LGBTQ+ people.
- Learn about the role of End-of Life / Death Doulas in our society

Program Schedule

- 1:00 - 2:30 pm – LGBTQ+ Grief: Navigating Challenges and Overcoming Barriers,
With Iman Christians Williams, Ph.D.
- 2:30 - 2:45 pm -- Refreshment Break and Networking
- 2:45 - 3:45 pm – The Compassionate Care of End-of-Life Doulas
- 3:45 – 4:00 pm – Annual Meeting, Updates, and Program Evaluation

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