

Homeless Persons' Memorial Service

A day of remembrance in honor of individuals who experienced homelessness and passed away in 2021

DECEMBER 21, 2021

*And when great souls die,
after a period of peace blooms,
slowly and always
irregularly. Spaces fill
with a kind of
soothing electric vibration.
Our senses, restored, never
to be the same, whisper to us.
They existed. They existed.
We can be. Be and be
better. For they existed.*



Maya Angelou, "When Great Trees Fall"

Order of Service

WELCOME: **Mayor Joe Hogsett**

MASTER OF CEREMONIES WELCOME: **Chelsea Haring-Cozzi**

Executive Director, CHIP

PRAYER: **The Very Reverend Gray Lesesne**

Dean and Rector, Christ Church Cathedral

RESPONSIVE READING: **Fletcher Elliot**

READING OF THE NAMES & CANDLELIGHT CEREMONY

TOLLING OF THE BELLS & MOMENT OF SILENCE

PRAYER: **Doctor Rev. Andrew Scanlan-Holmes**

Senior Pastor, Roberts Park United Methodist Church

CLOSING REMARKS: **Chelsea Haring-Cozzi**

Responsive Reading

LEADER: To each of you who has perished—this year and in previous years—

ALL: WE WILL REMEMBER YOU.

LEADER: We gather together to bring attention to the shame of homelessness and how it robs our neighbors of their hope and their lives—

ALL: WE WILL REMEMBER YOU.

LEADER: To those who have been lost on our city streets, in the alleyways, abandoned buildings, and sometimes even in our hearts—

ALL: WE WILL REMEMBER YOU.

LEADER: For your strength, courage and perseverance, we will celebrate your life and mourn your loss. Lest we never forget your struggle—

ALL: WE WILL REMEMBER YOU.

LEADER: In your memory we will rekindle hope and recommit ourselves to fight for the cause. We will work as individuals, through organizations and as part of our communities, to put an end to homelessness—now and forever.

ALL: WE WILL REMEMBER YOU.

LEADER: From the writings of St. Augustine: "Hope has two beautiful daughters: Anger at the way things are and Courage to change the way things are." In your memory, we will seek to change the way things are, and—

ALL: WE WILL REMEMBER YOU.

in your memory

<i>Richard Adams*</i>	<i>Stephen Harmeson*</i>	<i>Nick Parker</i>
<i>Pamela Anders*</i>	<i>Blair Harmon</i>	<i>Jerry Parker*</i>
<i>Cameron Anderson</i>	<i>Carl Harris*</i>	<i>Sarah Paulson</i>
<i>James Anderson</i>	<i>Lynell Harris</i>	<i>Zachary Pettis</i>
<i>Shelby Antrim</i>	<i>Walter Hatfield</i>	<i>John Phillips</i>
<i>Khalil Banlchead</i>	<i>Christopher Hawkins*</i>	<i>Malik Phillips</i>
<i>Christopher Bartolomei</i>	<i>Angela Hayes</i>	<i>Eric Plant*</i>
<i>Tony Bass</i>	<i>Val Hogston*</i>	<i>Tara Plock</i>
<i>Brian Bassett</i>	<i>Ariana Holston</i>	<i>Jeffrey Powell</i>
<i>Terry Bell*</i>	<i>Pryce Hughes*</i>	<i>Devante Radcliff</i>
<i>Keith Bellamy</i>	<i>Michael Hughes III</i>	<i>Ryan Reynolds*</i>
<i>JoAnne Berry</i>	<i>Reonna Jackson</i>	<i>Chandre Rhodes</i>
<i>Alvin Best*</i>	<i>Shanthia Jackson*</i>	<i>Christina Rippey*</i>
<i>Levon Beverly</i>	<i>Clarence January</i>	<i>Ashanti Robinson</i>
<i>David Black*</i>	<i>John Johnson*</i>	<i>Christopher Robinson</i>
<i>Rodney Blottie</i>	<i>Ernest Jones</i>	<i>Everitt Saylor*</i>
<i>Marlon Briggs*</i>	<i>Patrice Jones</i>	<i>Jesse Scott*</i>
<i>Arthur Brown*</i>	<i>Mark Kahley*</i>	<i>William Shaffer*</i>
<i>Daniel Brown</i>	<i>Amy Karns*</i>	<i>Tom Shands*</i>
<i>Timothy "Bruce" Bruce</i>	<i>Sandra Keys*</i>	<i>Harold Shelton</i>
<i>Nate Bryant*</i>	<i>A. Cheryl Klette*</i>	<i>Michael Simmons</i>
<i>JuJuana Buggs*</i>	<i>Kristopher Kujawa</i>	<i>Lawrence Skates</i>
<i>Karl "Jason" Burgess</i>	<i>Cordell Laster</i>	<i>Austin Smith</i>
<i>Calvin Butler*</i>	<i>Joshua Leathers*</i>	<i>Daquan Smith*</i>
<i>Jennifer Butrum</i>	<i>Christian Leffew</i>	<i>Shanel Smith</i>
<i>Tomekia Cardenas*</i>	<i>James Liddell*</i>	<i>Steven Smith*</i>
<i>Steven Carroll</i>	<i>Carl Lineback Sr*</i>	<i>Bremen Snipe</i>
<i>Manuel Castillo</i>	<i>Michael Littell*</i>	<i>Anthony Sterling</i>
<i>Keith Cook</i>	<i>James Logan</i>	<i>Paul Stevens</i>
<i>Vince Cooley*</i>	<i>DuVuan Love</i>	<i>Phillip Stringer*</i>
<i>David Coonwell*</i>	<i>William "Bill" Lutchka</i>	<i>Joseph Strom</i>
<i>Gary Cox</i>	<i>Amanda Maggart</i>	<i>Jeffrey Stutsman*</i>
<i>Jennifer Cox</i>	<i>Kenneth Mason*</i>	<i>Maetta Sylvia*</i>
<i>Dustin Craig</i>	<i>Damon McClain</i>	<i>Raymond Tolland</i>
<i>Gregory Crenshaw*</i>	<i>Steven McCubbins</i>	<i>Cheryl Tolen</i>
<i>Angela Daniels*</i>	<i>Lavell McDade</i>	<i>Joseph Trammell</i>
<i>Carlos "Carl" Day</i>	<i>Michael McDowell</i>	<i>Daniel Troke</i>
<i>Angel Deleon*</i>	<i>Clayton McNary*</i>	<i>David Vachon</i>
<i>Victor Dorsey*</i>	<i>Jared Menestrina</i>	<i>Christeena Veach</i>
<i>Landon Dyer*</i>	<i>Robert "Bob" Meyer II*</i>	<i>Jeffrey Webb*</i>
<i>Willie Edmond</i>	<i>Charles Moore</i>	<i>Atlas Wedlow</i>
<i>Ronald Edmundson*</i>	<i>Dequan Moore</i>	<i>Justin White</i>
<i>James Evans</i>	<i>Jeremy Moore</i>	<i>Keith Wiley</i>
<i>James Fields*</i>	<i>Randy Moreland</i>	<i>Arthur Williams</i>
<i>Patrick Fields*</i>	<i>David Moriarity*</i>	<i>Carl Williams</i>
<i>Cladius Garland</i>	<i>Jerrell Moten</i>	<i>Samuel Williams*</i>
<i>Anthony Garrett*</i>	<i>William Mundy*</i>	<i>Rodney Williamson*</i>
<i>Terry Garrett</i>	<i>Sean Nailor</i>	<i>Cottrell Winbush*</i>
<i>Ronald Garwood</i>	<i>Stephanie Najjar*</i>	<i>Lashun Windon</i>
<i>Tiffany Genung</i>	<i>Tyshune Neely</i>	<i>Richard Winslow*</i>
<i>Craig Gilbert*</i>	<i>Kyle Neville</i>	<i>Marcus Withers</i>
<i>Deaire Gray</i>	<i>Eric Nichols</i>	<i>Bradley Winning*</i>
<i>Adian Grigley</i>	<i>Ashley Nicholson</i>	<i>Rodney Woods</i>
<i>Edward Gutierrez</i>	<i>Bradley Nickle*</i>	
<i>Daniel Gwazda</i>	<i>Brandy Orr</i>	<i>Those known only to God</i>
<i>Michael Hanlon*</i>	<i>Charles Ortega</i>	

** Denotes neighbors who were housed at the time of their passing*

In addition to those listed above, the Indianapolis community would like to remember the following providers who passed away in 2021.

Jason Chenoweth—Outreach, Inc.

Ryck Stein Johnson—Indianapolis Housing Agency

Donald "Jalen" Howard—Indiana Youth Group



Who is experiencing homelessness?

On a single night in Indianapolis, January 18th, 2021,

1,928 men, women, transgender individuals, and youth were identified as experiencing homelessness.

For more information, visit the [2021 Point in Time Count infographic](#)

Grief Resources

ST. FRANCIS BEREAVEMENT PROGRAMS: 317-528-2636

ST. VINCENT BEREAVEMENT PROGRAMS: 317-338-4040

SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE: 1-800-273-TALK

BROKEN NO MORE: www.broken-no-more.org

IU HEALTH: 317-963-0829

ST. LUKE'S UMC: jackilong@aol.com

CANCER SUPPORT COMMUNITY: www.cancersupportcommunity.org

INDIANA CRISIS ASSISTANCE RESPONSE TEAM (I-CART): www.i-cart.org

GRIEF RECOVERY AFTER SUBSTANCE PASSING (GRASP): www.grasphelp.org

PARENTS OF SUICIDES/FRIENDS & FAMILIES OF SUICIDES: www.pos-ffos.com

Special Thanks

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Coalition for Homelessness Intervention and Prevention (CHIP) drives a system-wide, community response to make homelessness rare, short-lived, and recoverable. Through leadership and collaboration, CHIP secures funding for housing and services, manages and analyzes data collected by providers, advocates for policy change at the local and national levels, and supports community partners as we work together to end homelessness in Indianapolis.