## FREE Program for Care Providers

Speakers will include...



Pat Zalusky, Laker Planning Service, will walk us through the many different elements that we can use to create an appropriate and meaningful funeral, memorial, or celebration of life. He will also discuss why this type of gathering (of any size, scope, and location) can be of the utmost importance for closure, including the emotional and spiritual well-being of those we leave behind.



**Gayla Satre**, local Funeral Director, will share her insight and advice based on her many years of offering comfort and assistance to those who have just suffered a loss.



**Ben Pawlitschek**, Preplanning Specialist, has helped over 3000+ families plan their funerals. He will share some simple tips to help people get started on their planning journey.

## Wolfelt's Hierarchy of Purpose





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## "Funerals, Feelings, Families, & Forgiveness"

Professional Workshop

Thursday, February 15, 2024 11:00 a.m.

Northview-North Mankato Mortuary 2060 Commerce Dr | North Mankato, MN 56003

We're hosting a free **60-minute professional workshop**, and we hope you and/or someone from your organization can join us.

**Relax with your peers**, enjoy a light lunch, and listen as our presenters discuss ways that you can help grieving families.

All too often, people who are grieving don't receive the caring support they need during a time of loss. Anything we say will fall short, but we can listen, ask questions, and help families create a personalized funeral that will help them through the grieving process.

Based on the research conducted by Dr. Alan Wolfelt, the purpose of this program is to help care providers understand **the central role played by a funeral** (memorial service, tribute, celebration of life, or other gathering) **in helping people heal**.

Funerals help survivors to find meaning and purpose. The relationship with the deceased isn't over but is now very different. Whether that difference is eventually **healthy**, **positive**, **and uplifting** or unhealthy, negative, and depressing is oftentimes determined by the type of love and support they receive from others (or lack of it).

There is no limit on how many people you can send to the program. Anyone is welcome, but we are asking for advance registration to assist us in our preparation.

Please RSVP via any of the methods listed below. Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you on February 15th.

Lunch will be provided, so please register in advance to assist us in the preparation of food, seating, and handouts.

To RSVP, call 507.388.2288, text 507.995.4995, or email info@mankatomortuary.com.

This invitation is being distributed to professionals throughout the community. Please accept our sincere apologies if this reaches you at a time of bereavement or serious illness, as such was not our intent.