



SHARE Atlanta's "Walk to Remember"

WALKAmerica April 28, 2007

Marcia McGinnis, 4.07

SHARE Atlanta's second CHAIRMEN'S TENT...

Because SA Team 2006 raised enough funds to be one of ten of the MODs Chairmen Club members, we had our own tent for the second time in three years. We had a special gathering place, to munch some goodies, and to write our babies' names on hearts for our memory tree in our Memory Corner. About 40 SA members, many WITH their moms, dads, grandparents, sisters, brothers, aunts, uncles and friends joined us for the morning.



Monica, SA's friend from MODs, Cindy Ivey, SA's Team Captain, & Marcia, President of SA.

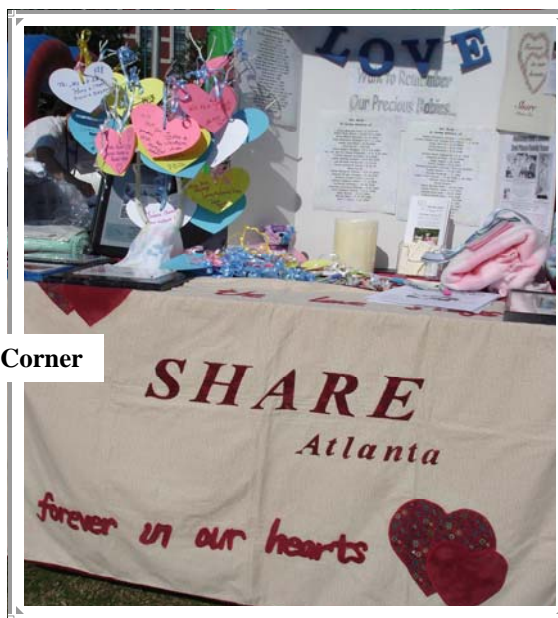


Cindy chatting with people at our MODS TENT.

A huge "thank you" to SA's team captain, Cindy Ivey!! Under her guidance, kindness, and care we have come a long ways. What Jennifer Greer started in 1998 has grown and grown! We had our **SECOND CHAIRMEN'S TENT** in three years! Only ten groups within each walking area are given their **very own TENT** each year. It is quite an honor. TENTS depend on the level of fund raising. We came in second place last year and tenth place in 2004. A TENT helps us continue to provide support and outreach to families even during the walk!



SA's Memory Corner



Thank You Walkers and Sponsors!



A huge "thank you" to all of those who walked (about 40), donated to SA, or thought about us as we ventured forth on this BEAUTIFUL morning. Thanks to generous sponsors, we have had one walker bring in over \$4000, three walkers are over \$3000., and about 5 have had more than \$1000.s donated! Anyone raising over \$1000. this year were called "Pacesetters." They were awarded special privileges by MODs. *Everyone's fundraising efforts are important because every dime goes toward helping the babies.*

SHARE Atlanta

"Walks to Remember"

Our Precious Babies....



Because we had a Chairmen's Tent, we were able to have a "Memory Corner." On a table we had a poster with the Memorial Litany of our babies' names for this year's "Walk to Remember." There was also a Memory Tree filled with hearts that each parent had written their baby's name and a message (if they wished to). Thanks to Robert and Adrianne Verbanac for helping to make the Memory Tree a reality.



Thanks to EVERYONE who gave in memory of their baby, a loved-ones' baby, and *all* babies.. as we "Walk to Remember" and provide Hope for the Future.

Under the SHARE Atlanta TENT... Support and Understanding...



Gathering Together...

All morning, SA members and visitors to our TENT visited, wrote their baby's name, took some of our materials, and asked us questions. Many made new friends. Some who have been through a very similar experienced, healed, survived and found hope again. This type of support was possible ONLY because we had our very own TENT. We had our MODS awards displayed as well as our balloons, blankets, newsletters, shirts, bears, and Awareness pins. Donations towards our shirts, pins and bears added to our MODS' total.



Ryane Holden with her aunt, mom & dad.



SA Friend, Tiffany Parr from Stillbirth Study at CDC with SA members, Lorelei and Rick Hoeye.



Thea Hodges, Marcia's friend and long time walker, helps visitors at our tent.



SA members - Kelly & Tammy Porter & Angie Purcell. Angie's class made the blankets for our 4Bs' Outreach that Angel and Jerome's moms received..



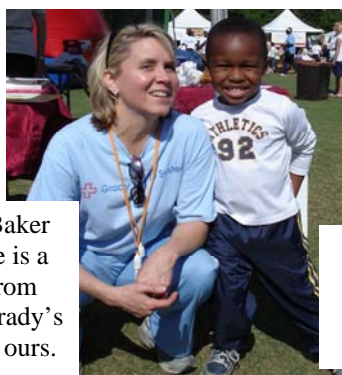
SA member
Laura O'Brien



SA member Sharon Mims with friend, Kim Savery.



Connie Cousins-Baker and Miles. Connie is a perinatal nurse from Grady Hospital. Grady's TENT was next to ours.



SA members,
Nikhol Jackson,
Jackie Cathey (grandmother)
with Autumn



Under the SHARE Atlanta TENT... Support, Advocacy, and Healing ...

Cindy, Thea, and I were at SA's TENT while everyone walked. We had over a dozen parents (moms, couples, families) come by who had never heard of SA, and who had experienced a loss. One mom lost her son, Jerome, 27 years ago. She kept saying, "I wish that you had been here for me then. What a wonderful group you are!" She wrote Jerome's name on a heart and hung it on our Memory Tree. I gave her one of the blankets that Angie Purcell's third grade class had made. She couldn't believe that we all embraced her baby son's presence in her life.



Remembering Jerome...
After 27 years...

Angel's 9 year old
subsequent Sister and mom...

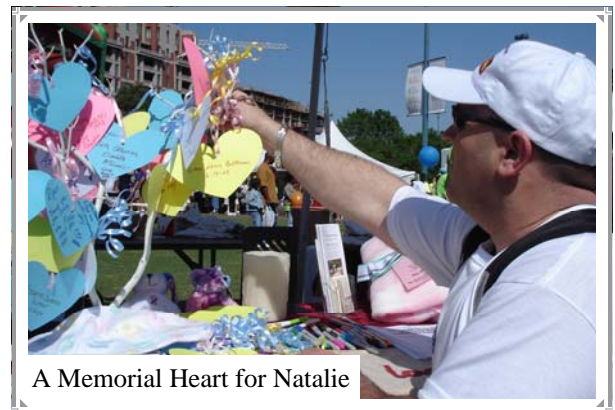


A mom and her nine year old daughter remembered their baby, Angel, on a memory heart. After they shared their story, we gave them one of the blankets that SA's member's third grade class have just made for SA's 4Bs project. Angie, one of our top walkers, had brought them to our TENT that morning. Angel's sister was thrilled to learn that the pink blanket she picked was made by children her same age!



More Connections...

Another family's dad wrote "Natalie" on a pink heart in memory of their baby girl born at 32 weeks. While mom chased their 4 year old daughter (also born premature), Mark told Marcia their story of a year ago. They were glad to meet under the TENT. They had never heard of SA. **Connections** with others who have shared a similar experience can support healing.



A Memorial Heart for Natalie



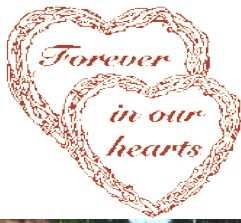
Natalie's mom talks to SA's
Team Captain, Cindy Ivey

Connections: Mark and John's stories come together under the SA TENT...

After the walk, as we gathered at our SA TENT, one of our dads, John Beltrami, whose subsequent twin daughters were born at 34 weeks was talking with me. John is a doctor with CDC who researches infectious diseases. Because of some material he had picked up at the walk, John realized that his lab might be a candidate for a grant from MODS. My mind went to Mark's story and the pink heart with Baby Natalie's name on our Memorial Tree. Mark had told me that Natalie was around three pounds and seemed fine. But, within days an unknown infection took her life. Connections..important connections. Maybe John's CDC research team could partner with March of Dimes. Then our donations might find some answers for future families like little Natalie's family. SA does want to help MODS put us out of business.



John



SHARE Atlanta Walkers.. Parents, Family, & Friends...



Adrianne Verbanac with Eric & Shalina Williams..SA members with subsequent premie babies who quickly support MODS!!



SA members Danyael & Memo with their parents.



Koleka Masimini with close friends, Adrienne Farris and Jennifer Harriel.



HI!!



Stefanie Merritt, Amber Broadnax, Sherri Spears, Stacy Alvarez Friends of Cindy Ivey's and SA. Each year...walk with smiles!



SA members Sherrunda Jackson with daughter, Amber, and Shenia Kirkland



More of our yearly and dear walkers that are Cindy Ivey's friends...Stephanie Bullman, LONG time friend Angie Allen and Cindy's sister Mandy



Chris & Katie Howell with their dog Bo and good friend, Ken Ferguson.



“SHARE Atlanta Helping the March of Dimes Put Us Out of Business” 1998 to 2007

Jennifer



Gracie

1998: “Outreach for Healing” programs began with donations to charities, and continued with our **March of Dimes Walk**. Jennifer Greer, with Gracie, began the walks and was our team captain until Cindy Ivey took over in 2005.

My Angel



SHARE Atlanta’s Angel

Our parents “Walk to Remember” their babies. Each family puts their baby’s name under “My Angel.”



Pam Renner
Start Line
2003

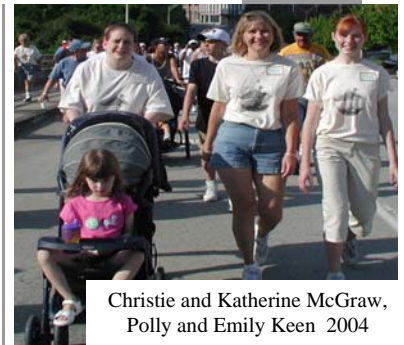


**We’ve made a Difference!
\$66,000 in 4 years!**

We walked!

Adrianne Verbanac, Sharon
Washington, Coretta Monroe...

2006



Christie and Katherine McGraw,
Polly and Emily Keen 2004



Cindy Ivey, Angie Purcell, Elise Beltrami,
Pat Gillespie, LaWanda Lee—2006



2003



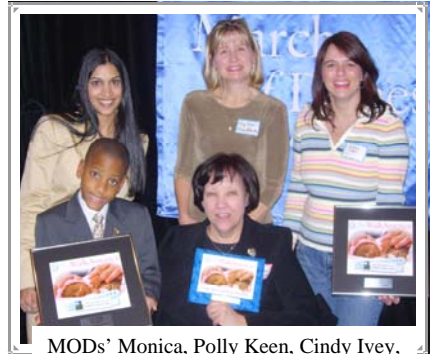
**WALKAmerica 2006~National 2nd Place
Family Team! Downtown: Top Family Team
& 2nd Place Class 1 (250 Employees)!!**
Coretta and Adianne are holding the SA banner
that Jennifer Greer made many years ago!



Tammy White, Pat Gillespie, MODs Monica,
Thea Hodges, Cindy Ivey, Marcia & Jason 06



Julie Franklin, Suzanne Chezem, Kim Shiflett,
Nikecia Ingram, Allison Eggar



MODs’ Monica, Polly Keen, Cindy Ivey,
Justin, Marcia 2005

Memories...

**As SA Families and Friends March...
To Raise Funds to Help Future Families...**

**Together,
We’ve made a difference!
8 Awards!**



"2007 Walk to Remember" We Walk ~ In loving memory of...

This Litany was
included on SA's
"Love" poster in
SA's 2007 MODS'
Memory Corner.

**All the precious children whose short lives touched
the hearts and lives of their parents and friends.**

Lacey McKenna Ivey ~ 9.16.2003

James Ryan White ~ 10.27-11.1.2003

Grace Marie Beltrami ~ 6.14.2003

Hugh McIntyre Williams ~ 4.7-11.2004

Amelia Jean Roan ~ 8.15.2006

Paz Garcia ~ 10.9.06

Amari Robert Masimini ~ 2.3-2.5.2007

Kai, Sai and Tai Hoeye (Triplets) ~ 3.21 & 23.2007

Trinity Nevaeh Jackson ~ 3.2.2007

Caleb Andrew Franklin ~ 8.17-25.2004

Lee Kenneth Partiss IV ~ 2-13-06

Sarah Katherine Purcell ~ 5.18.04

Baby Purcell

Emma Margaret O'Brien ~ 4.3-17.2004

Annabel Wright Ottinger ~ 9.18.2004

Zachary Connor Porter ~ 8.6.04

Gabriel Cadence Hunter ~ 11.3.2004

Nathaniel Verbanac ~ 10.30.2005

Courtney Auxvasse Williams ~ 3.26.2005

Paris Campbell Walton ~ 11.21.2005

Baby Walton ~ 11.21.2006

William Mims ~ 7.17-20.2006

Zion C. Davis ~ 5.27.2006



We Walk ~ In loving memory of...

Jaden Alexandria Jackson ~ 2.22.2003

Jordan Thomas and Jocelyn Erin Hilliard ~ 1.25.06

Casey Merritt ~ 8.19.2003

Brady Merritt ~ 8.14.2006

David Ransome ~ 9.16.2006

Kendall Marie Edgeworth ~ 7.31.2005

Kennedy Kirkland ~ 4.13.2004

Angel Segura ~ 12.2005

Pierce Adams ~ 3.18.2007

Madison Elizabeth Schreck ~ 9.6-10.15.2001

Tawain Nelson ~ 12.23.1991

Desiree Randolph ~ 11.1992

Aiden Trent Alvarez ~ 12.30.2005-1.18.2006

Delores Jean Cornett

David Cornett

Athen Michael Brine ~ 10.23.1996

Elijah Thomas Keen ~ 7.4.1992

Autumn Bray Keen ~ 10.31.1992

Frances Grace Keen ~ 5.6.1994

Sarah Elizabeth Keen ~ 8.14.1994

Samuel Brown Keen ~ 9.22.1996

Jeremiah Davis Keen ~ 2.20.1997

Seth David McGinnis ~ 9.24.81

Catherine Marie McGinnis

Elizabeth Hope McGinnis



Families Sponsor Walkers ~ In loving memory of...

Baby Boy and Baby Girl Blum ~ 1.1992

Nathan Clay ~ 1987

Rachel Elie ~ 2.10.2001

John William Jordan ~ 3.4.1996

Jesse David Greer ~ 1.14.1993

Jamie Caroline Greer ~ 12.16.1993

Jacob Evan Greer ~ 3.30.1998

Robert Anthony Gipson ~ 8.12.1992

Juliana Hisae Hamada ~ 1.20-21.2003

Joshua and Jordan Ingram ~ 5.31.2004

Sophie Margaret Mattis ~ 5.16.2005

Jessie McGraw ~ 1998

Kelly McGraw~ 1998

Virginia Anne McGraw ~ 2002

Liam Joseph Nulty ~ 2.2005

Clare Joy O'Brien ~ 8.13.1995

Joshua Lawrence Sealine ~ 10.22.1996-4.2.1997

Hope Elizabeth Shiflett ~ 9.10.2004

Angel Baby Shiflett ~ 2.21.2004

Megan Elizabeth Scholovich ~ 1.17.2000

Kathryn Ann Scholovich ~ 2.23.2001

Ne'Bria Dennis ~ 8.27.2003

Zariah Simone Goss