



May 14, 2020 Update (#117)

To: Board Members & Residents
From: Charles H. Greenthal Management Corp.
Re: 24- Hour Online Vigil Scheduled for May 20th - #NamingTheLost

As the country looks toward the future with a multi-phased reopening and whatever the “new normal” will be, many remain in a state of shock and mourning at the significant toll the pandemic has had on the country and their personal lives. The coronavirus pandemic has taken more lives than we care to count. Our communities have been forever impacted by the loss of family members, friends, coworkers, first responders, essential workers, and neighbors.

Communities, hospitals, churches, temples, and the Pope have all led several vigils recently, recognizing those we have lost during the pandemic. The lack of collective mourning coupled with the need to maintain social distancing, has left many feeling even more isolated and alone.

As we approach Memorial Day, another day of remembrance, a group of families and friends from throughout the country have banded together to coordinate an online vigil for all we have lost. *“By taking 24 hours to read the names of those we have lost, we seek to humanize and honor each person – and those whose names we do not know – at a time when we must be physically apart”* as stated on the website www.namingthelost.com.

The online vigil will begin Wednesday, May 20th at 2pm and run for 24 hours, ending May 21st at 2pm.

According to the website, people who have lost someone to coronavirus or who are from heavily impacted communities will be joined by special guests to read as many names as they can. All are invited to attend.

“Many of the names we will read are of essential workers – grocery store clerks, delivery people, warehouse workers, nurses, cleaners, doctors, and more. We will also take time to honor those whose names we do not yet know, including nursing home residents, homeless people, people in jails/prisons, and people in rural areas. All of their memories are essential to us.”

Following the event, the group has indicated they will be offering ways for people to stay connected to each other or to organize rituals or actions in their own communities.

To participate and receive a livestream link to join for any part of the 24-hour vigil, or to submit the name of a loved one, click on the registration button below.

Register for the vigil

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A 24 HOUR COVID VIGIL MAY 20-21, 2PM-2PM ET