



## Supporting bereaved families

Our vision is that everyone, regardless of location or circumstance, can access bereavement support of their choice.

Our mission is to link all existing services and plug the gap where services are lacking, starting with the areas in and around **Cheshire**.



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### Key facts about Elsie Ever After:

Elsie Ever After was founded by Helen Lyons when her daughter Elsie died in 2013. The main purpose is to signpost bereaved families to local support organisations that can help. The main providers of bereavement support in our area are primarily local hospices. A list of all the bereavement organisations and details about who they can support, are listed on our website: [www.elsieeverafter.org.uk](http://www.elsieeverafter.org.uk).

We work alongside existing bereavement services and refer families to them wherever possible. However, if a family cannot get help from existing organisations, then we will offer support. This may take the form of: counselling; financial help to be able to access support from major cities; providing books about bereavement; and offering a range of approaches to support, such as music, art or dance therapy.

We provide bereavement packs to children across the county. These include workbooks, story books and details on how to contact us to find appropriate bereavement support. Anyone can request help from us: teachers, support workers, families, doctors, social workers, neighbours, friends, etc.

We also signpost professionals to bereavement training and Helen speaks at courses about supporting children with loss. We attend meetings with organisations across the county to ensure services are linked so we can work in partnership whenever possible.

