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# BOOKS ABOUT SIBLING LOSS

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## Children

### General Books About Grief

- *Aarvy Aardvark Finds Hope* by Donna O'Toole -- Aarvy has lost his family and is filled with despair and hopelessness until a true friend helps him learn about the strengths within himself.
- *When Dinosaurs Die: A Guide to Understanding Death* by Laurie Krasny Brown -- Straightforward and compassionate, *When Dinosaurs Die* explains death, dying, and coping with grief and loss in simple and accessible language for young kids and families.
- *Grief is a Mess* by Jackie Schuld -- *Grief is a Mess* is an illustrated book for grieving children and adults who need a healthy dose of understanding, comfort, and laughter.
- *The Invisible String* by Patrice Karst -- Specifically written to address children's fears of being apart from the ones they love, *The Invisible String* offers a very simple approach to overcoming loneliness, separation, or loss with an imaginative twist that children easily understand and embrace.

### Books for Sibling Loss

- *Am I Still a Sister?* by Alicia M. Sims -- Written by an 11 year old girl about the death of her brother.
- *The Broken Egg: A Story to Help Children Cope with the Loss of a Younger Sibling* by Joe Sutherland -- Hopefully this story can help big brothers and sisters understand that we may not get to hold our little "eggs" or bring them home with us, but that doesn't mean we can't love them and keep them with us forever in our hearts.
- *Nadia the Willful* by Sue Alexander -- When her favorite brother disappears in the desert forever, Nadia refuses to let him be forgotten, despite her father's bitter decree that his name shall not be uttered.
- *Where's Jess?* by Joy and Marv Johnson -- This simple book is for young children who have lost a baby brother or sister.



- *When I Die, Will I Get Better?* by Joeri Breebaart -- A five-year-old boy tries to attain an understanding of the sudden illness and death of his younger brother through inventing a story about death in a animal neighborhood, a story his father illustrates for him.
- *No New Baby* by Marilyn Gryte -- For siblings who have a brother or sister die before birth. This storybook talks about the different feelings children have and answers some of the most asked questions.
- *Children Are Not Paper Dolls: A Visit with Bereaved Siblings* by Erin Linn -- Children who have had a sibling die draw and talk about their experiences.
- *Since My Brother Died* by Marisol Munoz-Kiehne -- In this book, the child talks about how things are different since his brother died. In the end, the child realizes his brother is still alive in his heart.

