

Programs

Funny--He Doesn't Look Like A Murderer: But Margie Is Dead

Our personal story of loss, grief and advocacy is told in this PowerPoint presentation.

Pain--Pen--Pad: Writing, a Tool for Healing

Participants will experience writing as an effective tool for understanding their grief.

Abby's Dilemma: My Best Friend Is Being Abused

NEW

Shirley's young adult novel about teen dating violence and Teaching Guide make a teen friendly presentation for adults or teens.

Consultants--At Adult Domestic Violence Fatality Review Team Committee Meetings

The Bostroms share their knowledge about victims' viewpoints.

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Comments

I will not go back (to my abuser) this time because of you. I owe you my life....I asked God for a sign and he sent me you.

Participant at the Melanie Ilene Rieger Memorial Conference Against Violence

When a woman's life ends in domestic violence, her parents die too. Yet the inspiring story the reader is left with is of the remarkable union (to educate others)...between a daughter's guiding spirit and her mother's voice...

Lisa Holden, former Executive Director, Connecticut Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Inc.

They Present At

National Conferences for:

- National Organization for Victims Assistance (NOVA)
- Parents of Murdered Children (POMC)
- US Department of Justice Symposium
- Melanie Ilene Rieger Memorial Conference Against Violence

Victim/Survivor Representatives

on Boards and Advisory Councils

V.O.I.C.E.S. Victim Impact Programs

CT. Dept. of Correction Staff Training

Colleges, High Schools and Civic Groups

CT Radio and T.V. Programs



Dating Violence and Domestic Violence

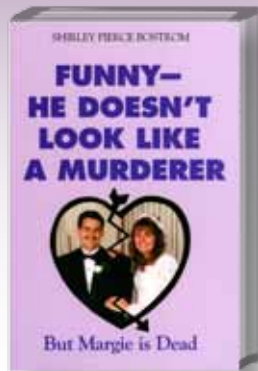


Shirley Pierce Bostrom

Lawrence J. Bostrom

Antiviolence Speakers and Presenters

It Can Happen To Anyone, Any Place, Any Time!



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In this nonfiction account of her daughter's murder, Shirley warns that domestic violence can happen to anyone. Margaret Bostrom, a PhD in clinical psychology, worked for the Federal Bureau of Prisons and was a victim of domestic homicide. Facts about domestic violence are intertwined with the family's story.

Writing this book was great therapy, so Shirley offers it free to new survivors of homicide and victims of dating or domestic violence—to let them know they have support on their journey.

Goals

- * to prevent violence by educating the public about the unique dangers that exist in relationships.
- * to give women, their families and friends, the information they need to stay safe.
- * to let victims know they are not to blame for the violence—love shouldn't hurt.



Background

Members of:

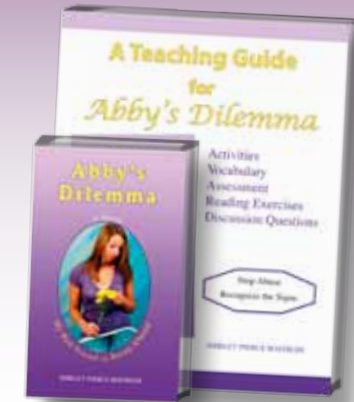
- Survivors of Homicide (SOH)
- Connecticut Fatality Review Committee
- NOVA, POMC and NCVIA
- Boards, Committees and Advisory Councils as Victim/Survivor Advocates
- TTAC Consultants, DOJ, OVC
- Trained Domestic Violence Volunteers

Shirley Pierce Bostrom, B.S. & M.S.

- Teacher in Windsor Locks, CT
- Teacher/Consultant for the CWP
- Retired in 1996

Lawrence J. Bostrom, B.S. & M.S.

- High School Teacher
- Electrical Engineer at United Technologies for 26 years
- Retired in 1992



Abby's Dilemma: My Best Friend Is Being Abused

This young adult novel addresses issues in a friendship and a healthy dating relationship verses dating an abuser, which the author recognizes and exposes as dangerous. Abby's best friend Missy is being abused, but she won't admit it. Abby knows Missy is in danger, so she seeks adult help. Missy is able to leave the abuser safely because friends, family and involved adults support her.

A Teaching Guide for Abby's Dilemma

This guide provides detailed information, discussion questions and activities to reinforce and expand the students' knowledge about friendships and dating relationships.

