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Tears From the Heart
Mark Hodapp

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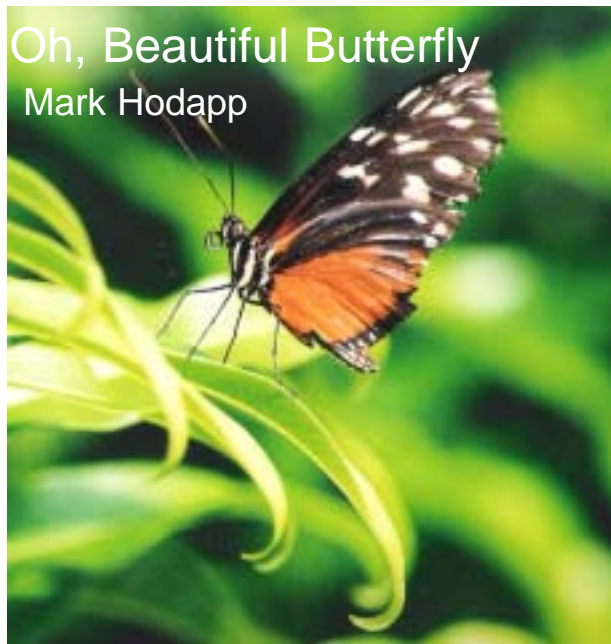
There is a principle in grief counseling that states "In telling the story the healing takes place." The book entitled *Tears from the Heart* by Mark Hodapp, provides a springboard in which the healing can begin. Death brings grief which is a response to loss. The whole person, physically, mentally, spiritually and emotionally reacts to this loss. If the loss is not addressed appropriately it often times goes underground and can cause further pain. God created the human person to deal with loss, which is a part of the human condition, by giving the human person the ability to share their tears and their story. This work which is a collage of stories that covers the whole spectrum of ages from the child to the senior citizen as well as varied types of deaths, provides the reader an opportunity to tap into his or her own story which can lead to healing. The season of grief, which each person experiences differently, can last for a year or more. The various seasonal photos selected in this work takes this grief reality into account. Important to the grief process is the healing role of faith which the author brings to the forefront by his use of photos and grief story selections. This work would be an excellent gift for anyone undergoing the grief process. No matter was stage of loss the individual maybe in this book could assists them in the process. It allows them to go through the valley of tears and sadness and rise to the mountain top of hope and joy.

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Taking a Spring Walk, Oh, Beautiful Butterfly and Tears from the Heart all bring a unique contribution to "grief literature." The books share personal experiences as well as beautiful photography. It was my experience when I was working as a certified grief counselor that many grieving people were not able to concentrate to read a book or longer essays. These books give short messages with soothing pictures to those trying to deal with the difficult task of working through loss. Since often grief is so overwhelming an experience, any small aid to help the grieving is worth the time and effort.

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Tears From the Heart costs \$25;
Taking A Spring Walk and Oh, Beautiful Butterfly (being combined into book, selling for \$25)



The meditation book entitled *Taking a Spring Walk* is a brilliant reflection upon God's grandeur that erupts upon the earth each year during the season of spring. The season of winter with its hues of white and gray gives way to the brilliant light of the sun which causes the earth to erupt in a kaleidoscope of color. This yearly phenomenon is magnificently brought to life in this work of Mark Hodapp. The photos with it brilliance and depth of color are matched well with the poems that the author has chosen for each floral photo. This work would be a wonderful gift for anyone. It would be appropriate for any season, weather that season be grief or joy, sadness or hope. No matter what season a person would view this work, it would lift the human spirit. If chosen to give as an Easter gift, the recipient could meditate daily on a different page, inspiring wonder, awe and thanksgiving at the creative hand of God in creation. This book is a must have for any one who enjoys nature, poetry, the season of spring or meditating on the grandeur of God's creation.

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