Did Someone You Love Die?
Location: YA 155.937 Phillips
Discusses problems and difficulties facing those who are grieving, including symptoms and ways to heal.

Grieving for the Sibling You Lost: A Teen’s Guide to Coping with Grief and Finding Meaning After Loss
Location: YA 155.937, Goldblatt Hyatt
A psychotherapist offers a compassionate guide to help teens discover ways to deal with overwhelming emotions, and find constructive ways to manage the profound loss of losing a sibling.

Healing Your Grieving Heart for Teens: 100 Practical Ideas
Location: YA 155.9 Wolfelt,
This book offers simple tips for understanding and expressing grief.

Straight Talk about Death with Young People
Location: YA 236.1 W
This book explores frequently asked questions about death and dying.

Straight Talk about Death for Teenagers: How to Cope with Losing Someone You Love
Location: YA 155.9 Grollman
This book explores frequently asked questions about death and dying.

Teenagers Face to Face with Bereavement
Location: YA 155.9 Gravelle
Young people express feelings of pain, anger and guilt as they come to terms with the death of a parent, sibling, or close friend.

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These are recommended books about cancer, death and grieving for young people. All of them are available at the East Lyme Public Library. For more titles, come to the Children’s Room and we can help you find just the right book.
Books for Young Children

**In Mommy’s Garden: A Book to Help Explain Cancer to Young Children**
Location: JP Ammary, Parenting Shelf
Information to help parents, family members, and healthcare professionals first talk about cancer with children and help alleviate misconceptions children often have.

**Always and Forever**
Location: J 808.803 Durant, Parenting Shelf
A family of forest animals learns to cope with the death of a loved one.

**Fall of Freddy the Leaf: A Story of Life for All Ages**
Location: J 808.803 Buscaglia, Parenting Shelf
As Freddie experiences the changing seasons along with his companion leaves, he learns about the delicate balance between life and death.

**The Goodbye Book**
Location: JP Parr, Parenting Shelf
Illustrations and brief text relate how a person might feel when they lose someone they love.

**Michael Rosen’s Sad Book**
Location: JP Rosen, Parenting Shelf
The author tells about the emotions that accompany his sadness over the death of his son, and how he copes.

**Rudi’s Pond**
Location: J 808.803 Bunting, Parenting Shelf
When a sick boy dies, his friends and classmates remember him by building a schoolyard pond in his memory.

**A Sky of Diamonds: A Story for Children about Loss, Grief, and Hope**
Location: JP Gibbs, Parenting Shelf
Mia’s father helps her find ways to cope with the sudden death of her mother.

**When Dinosaurs Die: A Guide to Understanding Death**
Location: J 155.9 Brown, Parenting Shelf
This picture book explains in simple language the feelings people may have regarding the death of a loved one and the ways to honor their memory.

**Where’s Jess?**
Location: J 155.93 Johnson, Parenting Shelf
A young child experiences a variety of feelings after the death of a sibling.

**That Summer**
Location: J 808.803 Johnson, Parenting Shelf
A family, including a child who is dying, sews together a quilt of its memories and love.

**Middle Grade Books**

**Bridge to Terabithia**
Location: J Paterson
In this poignant, beautifully rendered novel, Katherine Paterson weaves a powerful story of friendship and courage.

**Kira Kira**
Location: J Kadokata
Chronicles the close friendship between two Japanese-American sisters growing up in rural Georgia during the late 1950s and early 1960s, and the despair when one sister becomes terminally ill.

**I Know Someone with Cancer**
Location: J 616.994 B
Presents basic information about what cancer is, what causes it, how it is treated, how people deal with it, and what it is like to have a friend with cancer.

**A Taste of Blackberries**
Location: J 808.803 Smith, Parenting Shelf
A young boy recounts his efforts to adjust to the accidental death of his best friend.

**Six Innings: A Game in the Life**
Location: J Preller
A Little League baseball player who has cancer and is in a wheelchair, has to call the play-by-play instead of participating in the big championship game.

**The Thing About Jellyfish**
Location: J Fiction Benjamin
Suzy Swanson wades through her intense grief over the loss of her best friend.

**Young Adult Fiction**

**The Fault in our Stars**
Location: YA Fiction Green
Sixteen-year-old Hazel, a stage IV thyroid cancer patient, has accepted her terminal diagnosis until a chance meeting with a boy at cancer support group forces her to reexamine her perspective on love, loss, and life.

**Drums, Girls, & Dangerous Pie**
Location: YA Fiction Sonnenblick
When his younger brother is diagnosed with leukemia, thirteen-year-old Steven tries to deal with his complicated emotions, his school life, and his desire to support his family.

**If I Stay**
Location: YA Fiction Forman
While in a coma following an automobile accident that killed her parents and brother, 17-year-old Mia, a gifted cellist, weighs whether to live with her grief or join her family in death.

**See You at Harry’s**
Location: YA Fiction Knowles
Three-year-old Charlie is always the center of attention, and when tragedy strikes, the fragile bond holding the family together is stretched almost to the breaking point.