

Schedule your learning today.

Pet Loss Companionship Basics Course -

\$249* Having this course provided to you on a DVD will give you and your team the opportunity to use this course numerous times. Training support will be provided for delivery of the course as well as the form completion and process for awarding continuing education credits.

Pet Loss Companionship Fundamentals

- \$599* Presented by Coleen Ellis, Certified in Death and Grief Studies with a Specialization in Pet Loss Companionship, recipients will hear first-hand this informative material, complete with pet loss experiences to aid in the learning process.

Pet Loss Companionship Essentials -

\$999* As Coleen Ellis presents this course, participants will receive a truly rounded curriculum of many aspects of pet death care and support. These six hours will allow attendees to understand the basics of the grief process through the companionship skills needed for a mourning heart to the basics of self-care needed for this emotionally charged role.

**Travel expenses are the responsibility of the client and are in addition to the course fees.*

"Grief is like the ocean; it comes on waves ebbing and flowing. Sometimes the water is calm, and sometimes it is overwhelming. All we can do is learn to swim." - Vicki Harrison

"The risk of love is loss, and

the price of loss is grief -

But the pain of grief

Is only a shadow

When compared with the pain

Of never risking love."

-Hillary Stanton Zunin



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a companion for your journey

For You and Your Team

As a pet care professional, you have embarked upon a mission of helping people and their pets. Whether you are in the medical field or in pet death care, possessing skills necessary to assist families through the emotional times associated with the death of their beloved pets will be a comfort to you and your families.

This program has several uses:

- As a pet death care provider, these courses are a wonderful program to bring to your veterinary clients. Facilitating this learning for clinics will certainly position your organization for more value-added services.
- As a veterinary clinic, your team will appreciate enhancing their skills in assisting grieving families through the loss of their beloved animal companions.

The curriculum of the coursework is arranged to give you choices, matching your particular needs to an appropriate learning module. These courses provide a clear understanding of the grief process from a variety of perspectives, delivering the skills you will need to be both helpful and healing.



Modules and Descriptions

The Pet Loss Companionship Basics Introduction 1 Hour

◆ *Understanding The Attitudes of Companionship*
What is the difference between a “treatment” and a “companionship” philosophy? Thinking with the heart versus thinking with the head will be what is desired for those that are grieving.

Approved for one hour of continuing education

Pet Loss Companionship Fundamentals 3 Total Hours

◆ *Understanding The Attitudes of Companionship*
◆ *Understanding the Six Central*

Needs of Mourning

Every grieving heart will have these six needs of mourning as well as other needs that take on pet specific attributes, adding to the emotional journey towards grief resolution.

◆ *Caregiver Attributes*

As caregivers, there are certain communication elements that families will want us to exhibit when guiding them through the grief process, thus creating a safe place for families to mourn and truly grieve in healthy ways.

The Pet Loss Companionship Fundamentals Course is approved for one hour of continuing education credit and is pending approval of two additional hours.

Pet Loss Companionship Essentials 6 Total Hours

◆ *Understanding The Attitudes of Companionship*
◆ *Understanding the Six Central Needs of Mourning*
◆ *Caregiver Attributes*
◆ *Spirituality and Pet Grief*

Questioning the spiritual aspect happens during the Fact and Feeling Finding part of the journey toward grief resolution. What does this question really mean? How is it best to respond?

◆ *Various Consumer Segments Response to Pet Grief*
Understanding how individuals of different ages view loss will mean a great deal to your families throughout the companionship journey. Children as natural mourners will respond differently than a baby-boomer who has just empty-nested – how do you react to those differences?

◆ *The Importance of Self Care as a Companion*
Being a companion is very much a privilege.

Serving this role will certainly require our own self-care in

order to provide this much needed support. Simple things to do as a professional to maintain a healthy spirit for guiding.

The Pet Loss Companionship Essentials is approved for one hour of continuing education credit and is

pending approval of five additional hours.

