

**Candlelight Vigil**  
**February 28, 2020 | 2PM—3PM**

# National Day *of* Mourning

**497 State Street**  
**Rochester, NY**  
**Room 112**

**Join us in commemorating the people with disabilities who lost their lives at the hands of family members or caregivers.**

Disabled people are twice as likely as non-disabled people to be victims of violent crimes. Every year, the national media covers dozens of stories about murders of people with disabilities by family members or caregivers, with many going unreported. Too often, the coverage focuses on sympathy for the murderer because they had to live with, or care for, a person with a disability. The message being portrayed to the public is our lives - not our deaths - are the tragedy.

During our annual candlelight vigil, we will be reading the names aloud of the people with disabilities who were murdered. We understand this action is triggering to some, however, it is important we come together as a community to acknowledge the lives of these individuals. We will also share individuals' personal stories, to commemorate their contributions to our community.

*Join us, and the Disability Community across the nation, in reminding the world our lives are worth living!*

*The venue is accessible. Alternate formats will be provided. Sign Language interpreters will also be provided.*



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