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Children's Book Offers a Story of Love and Remembrance

A Yellow Ribbon in the Sky for Ronald explores friendship, grief, loss, remembrance, and love.

ROCHESTER, N.Y. — October 2026 — Rochester author and educator Tokeya C. Graham has released *A Yellow Ribbon in the Sky for Ronald*, a children's picture book illustrated by Mariam Poppins.

The story is loosely based on the life of Graham's nephew Ronald, who was diagnosed with osteosarcoma at age 12 and died at 17 after a five-year battle with cancer.

"This book was inspired by Ronald, but it isn't only his story," Graham says. "It is for children and families who have experienced loss and for anyone carrying the memory of someone they love."

Featuring Black characters and expressive, full-color illustrations, *A Yellow Ribbon in the Sky for Ronald* brings meaningful representation to children's literature about grief and loss.

Graham is an award-winning educator and writer and the founder and publisher of Blue Flame Publications, an independent press dedicated to centering Black stories and experiences. *A Yellow Ribbon in the Sky for Ronald* is her second book, following *The Black Healing Project*.

The book is available for individual and bulk purchase. Graham is available for media interviews, author visits, readings, and school and community programs.

Book: *A Yellow Ribbon in the Sky for Ronald*

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