

## OUR EXPERTISE

### KIMBERLY HENRY, CEO AND FOUNDER OF MANE SUPPORT, INC.

#### AUTHOR AND INTERNATIONAL SPEAKER

Kimberly Henry founded Mane Support, Inc. in 2005 and it became a nonprofit in November of 2006. Being an entrepreneur, she created Mane Support to provide equine assisted grief counseling and leadership training. It is now the only freestanding grief center in the state of Tennessee. She has spent 16 years in hospice work, encompassing 30 plus years in providing community education relating to grief and loss. Her passion continues to be addressing and researching trauma related issues, partnering it with the positive effects of equine assisted counseling, learning, creative arts and leadership training.



Kimberly is certified through EAGALA (Equine Assisted Growth and Learning Association) at the Advanced Level and a member of ADEC (Association of Death, Education and Counseling) where she is certified as a Thanatologist/Counselor since 2005. She is also a graduate of the Leadership Blount, Class of 2014. Kimberly holds a Bachelor's in Dance from Florida State University, a Masters in Therapeutic Recreation and a Masters in Inclusive Early Childhood Special Education from the University of Tennessee. In addition, she is an adjunct professor at Maryville College and Johnson University, a presenter for classes from The University of Tennessee, Knoxville, an international speaker, educator and trainer on the topics of death, dying and trauma, its effect on children, youth and adults and the use of equine

assisted grief counseling, nonprofit development and leadership development and training.

She is also the author of Transitioning from Loss to Learning Curriculum for school and community based children and youth experiencing trauma related loss issues, Hoof to Heart... a guide to understanding grief, loss and the healing power of the horse and a children's book entitled, Henry the Horse and His Very Special Gift...a story of listening from the heart and the ears of a very special horse.

*"Horses have a way of teaching us the importance of life in the moment. Whether in the saddle, on ground, in the classroom or in day to day living, we learn how to be still, be better people, better listeners and better leaders."*

Everything she has done and hopes to continue to do, is all because of an incredible God that we all serve! Without Him, Kim says, she would be under the barn.