To Absent Friends, a people’s festival of storytelling and remembrance

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Powerful tributes posted to loved ones who have died, on the To Absent Friends website are powerful reminders of the universality and individuality of loss.
What do we do when old traditions of remembrance have been lost, but the human need to remember continues?
To Absent Friends

.......a peoples’ festival
To Absent Friends......

Is........
• Owned by nobody (and everybody)
• Unencumbered by a logo!
• Created by its participants
• Broad and inclusive
  – Individual/private
  – Public/collective
  – Grief, bereavement, celebratory, memorialising
  – Unbound by place

Isn’t........
• Owned by an organisation
• An awareness week
• A fundraiser
• Prescriptive
A people's festival of storytelling and remembrance
1-7 November 2014
Because dead ordinary people live on in the memories and stories we share.

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