



Leslie Barber

Bringing Recognition, Respect & Reconnection to the Grieving

SPEAKING TOPIC

Leading (and Living) When the Worst Thing Happens

In this captivating (and humorous) talk, Leslie Barber transforms grief from a taboo topic to a universal source of connection. Leslie's approachable style and inspiring storytelling demystifies the fear surrounding the silent epidemic costing US companies billions. This talk is ideal for HR & business professionals who want to elevate their ability to respond and to thrive when the worst thing happens. You will learn:

- **3 Reasons Why Embracing the Discomfort of Grief is Critical for Today's Managers & Leaders**
- **2 Easy Things to Do or Say When a Colleague or Loved One is Grieving**
- **1 Strategy to Keep Moving Life Forward When You Are the One Grieving**

"Leslie is an outstanding speaker. She perfectly balances message, connection, and inspiration with every audience she's in front of. When she spoke at my conference, the crowd erupted into a **standing ovation** and she deserved every single clap. Leslie delivers her message like a pro while simultaneously and beautifully touching every single heart."

—Julie Gordon White, CEO
The Well for Women Entrepreneurs, Symposia Conference

"Leslie's speeches are **powerful, inspiring and compelling**. She's able to teach valuable life lessons that the audience could practically apply, but what makes Leslie unique is how powerfully she connects with her audience on a very personal level. Through the power of her words and her own life experiences, she is able to take her audience to a different emotional space and evoke transformation of thought and being. Leslie is an outstanding speaker and story-teller who touches both head and heart."

—Nancy Lee, VP, Marketing
Kahn Academy



"Leslie's talk was so brave, **authentic, heart felt, transparent** and vulnerable that it profoundly moved the audience. Leslie is sharp, delightful, warm, insightful and on point. I would highly recommend her as a speaker for your next corporate or business event!"

—Kai Deering, Executive Director
LegalShield

Founder, Grief Warrior

Leslie's husband, Steve, died of cancer on June 21, 2015 – the longest day of the year and the worst day of her life. Now, Leslie is channeling her own grief into something that helps others. Grief Warrior's mission is to bring recognition, respect and reconnection to the grieving through gift care packages, 1:1 & group coaching, and corporate speeches & workshops. Leslie has spent the last two decades either running her own business or supporting other entrepreneurs with running theirs at Intuit QuickBooks. She has written for Entrepreneur.com, is a trained coach by the world-renowned Co-Active Training Institute, and has an MBA from the Kellogg School of Management.