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Perceptions of Black Adults Regarding the Effects of Father Absence Due to Loss and the Impact it Had During Adolescence

A phenomenological study that explores lived experiences of 8 Black adults and the effects of father absence due to loss during adolescence. Specifically, the study delves into how the loss of their fathers during adolescence impacted psychosocial development. Using semi-structured interviews, the study brings to light participants' retroactive insight about the effects on identity, relationships, and well-being. The study also provides counseling insights for supporting bereaved Black adolescents and addresses gaps in culturally-informed grief resources.

Event Information

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