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The grief encountered when a loss is experienced and cannot be openly acknowledged, socially sanctioned or publicly shared.

Those at risk include partners of HIV/AIDS patients, ex-spouses, ex-partners, fiancées, friends, lovers, mistresses, co-workers, and children experiencing the death of a step-parent, the mother of a stillborn delivery or a terminated pregnancy.