

The greatest gift
I ever had came from God.
I call her Mom

Mom 1

Sometimes it's not easy
to put things in words.
But Mom, I want you to know,
the things that you have taught me,
the help and encouragement
you've always given me,
it's something that will be with me always.
Thank you for being the kind of
Mom I could always count on.
And no matter where
I go or what I do,
I will never outgrow the need for a
Mom who is as special as you.

Mom 2

Even tho I'm not grown up yet,
and I know that I still have many
things to learn. I want to thank you Mom, for all the
things that you have taught me.

The love and understanding that
you show me makes me know that no
matter what I face in the future I will
always have my mom to turn to.

I know I will make mistakes
but I will try to learn from them.
Mom I love you very much and I will
try to make you real proud of me.

And I will always remember the love
My Wonderful Mom gave to me when
I needed it the most.

Mom 3

Each day I get older
and perhaps a bit
more wise, and Mom, the
more I understand,
the more I realize.

That you've been simply
wonderful, since I was very
small, And I've been blessed
for certain, with the finest
Mom of all!

Mom 4

I wish there was a way
to repay you for all
you've done for me;
All the caring, all the love,
all the sacrifice and concern.
I always knew you would be
there for me and that your love
never depended on
what I did or didn't do.
I love you very much.

Mom 5

I am what I am,
I have chosen my path, set my own
future but all that I am,
I owe to you mom. You instilled in me
a sense of value and taught me the
way I should go.
The love you showed me will
always be with me.
I know no matter where
I go or what I do,
your love will always follow.

Mom 6

I'll Always Need You

Sometimes it's hard for us
to be friends because in some
ways we see life from opposite
angles and different directions.
But I hope you know, Mom,
that even when it seems
I'm just being stubborn, I still hear
what you're saying,
and I still listen to you with love,
because I still need you...
and I always will.

Mom 7

Words aren't easy
when feelings run deep,
But still, there's one thing
you should know -
The values you gave me,
the lessons you taught,
Are with me wherever I go,
And loving a mom
who's as special as you
Is something
I'll never outgrow.

Mom 8

I Love You, Mom
... and I'm So Proud to Be Your Daughter

You are a remarkable woman
who accomplishes so much in this world

You are strong but soft

You are strong but caring

You are strong but compassionate

You are a remarkable woman
who accomplishes so much as a
giving woman in this world

You give to your friends

You give to your family

You give to everyone

You are a remarkable woman
who is also a remarkable mother
And you are loved by so many people
whose lives you have touched -
especially me

Mom 9

You've helped me through
the good times and bad times,
comforted me and given me support
when I needed it,

you have always encouraged me
to be the best person I could
possibly be, and though there
have been times when we haven't
understood each other very well...

I'm so glad that we now share
the warm and special relationship we do,
because I love you so very much.

Mom 10

You've always tried to help make
everything right with my world.
You've been there to laugh with me,
to be proud of me, and to be happy for all
the good things in my life.
And, maybe even more importantly,
you've shared my disappointments,
and listened as I worked out my thoughts
and feelings about so many things that
troubled me as I was growing up.
You're a very important part of my world,
Mom, so I want to thank you now,
and tell you that I hope everything will
always be right with your world, too...
because I love you.

Mother 1

More than anyone else,
mothers know the art
of making memories—
like wild flowers,
and arranging them
with love's gentle touch
for the heart to keep forever.
Mom, it's a day for remembering
helpful things you've done...
and for thanking you for the love
that makes each memory special.
Mom, thank you for the
helpful things you've said and
caring things you've done...
that make each memory special.

Mother 2

Doing special favors
In a dozen different ways
Looking out for others
With no thought of
thanks or praise
Living for your family
Setting good examples, too-
These make a loving mother
And they all apply to You.

Mother 3

You filled my days
With rainbow lights,
Fairy tales and sweet dream nights,
A kiss to wipe away my tears,
Gingerbread to ease my fears.
You gave the gift of life to me,
And then in love,
you set me free.
I thank you for your tender care,
For deep warm hugs,
and being there.
I hope that when you think of me,
A part of you, you'll always see.

Mother 4

To one who bears
the sweetest name,
And adds luster
to the same,
long life to her,
for there's no other,
who takes the place of my
Dear Mother.

Mother 5

For as long as I can remember...
You were always by my side,
To give me support, confidence and help.

For as long as I can remember...
You were always the person I looked up to,
So strong, so sensitive, so pretty.

For as long as I can remember...
You always provided stability within our family,
Full of laughter, full of tears, full of love.

For as long as I can remember...
And still today,
You are everything a mother should be.

So much of what I have become
is because of you
and I want you to know
that I appreciate you, thank you
and love you
more than words can express

Mother 6

When you have a mother
who cares so much for you
that anything you want
becomes her desires
When you have a mother
who is so understanding that
no matter what is bothering you
she can make you smile
When you have a mother
who is so strong that
no matter what obstacles she faces
she is always confident in front of you
When you have a mother
who actively pursues her goals in life
but includes you in all her goals
you are very lucky indeed
Having a mother like this
makes it easy to grow up
into a loving, strong adult
Thank you for being this kind
of wonderful mother

Mother 7

A thousand times I called you Mom,
You answered every call,
Regardless of my needs or wants,
...You filled it...big or small.
Denied yourself those hidden wants,
So I could have my fun,
I never knew until I aged,
How motherhood was "done".
Today, my children ask of me,
Much like I asked of you,
And, yet without a second thought,
"I'll do what I can do".
With due respect and countless thanks,
My heart these words come from,
for there's no other, who takes the place of
My Dear Mother.

Mommy

Nothing else can compare, to the happiness I find,
in the comfort of my Mommy
that's the warm and lasting kind-
A love that's based on caring thoughts
and gentle trusting ways
Moments shared...both good and bad....
and words of love and praise.

And nothing else can quite compare to knowing as I do,
we share an understanding that will last a lifetime through.

Leaves may change from green to gold,
the sky from blue to gray,

A summer's afternoon becomes a sparkling winter's day.

People change and places change and times
keep changing too...

...But one thing always stays the same...
the love I feel for you

So put this in a special place and read it now and then

The Greatest Mommy In The World

Although I'm not very old, and I don't
know much about big things in this
world. This one thing I know, my
Mommy loves me very much, and she will
always be there for me. And although
I am not able to understand big words
yet, when my Mommy talks to me and
holds me close I can feel her Love,
and I know that I will always be
safe in her arms.

I love you Mommy so very, very much
and I know you must be the greatest
Mommy in the whole world.

World's Greatest Mom

I've been thinking, Mom, about all the times you've believed in me when I didn't even believe in myself. Times you've understood me when I was so difficult to understand.

The times you've encouraged me when I needed it most. But more than these things, Mom, I've been thinking about the unfailing love which has followed me through all the stages of my life... And I just want to let you know that I think you are "The Greatest Mom in the Whole World" and that I Love You very, very much.

I Love You Mom!

Mom's smiles can brighten any moment,
Mom's hugs put joy in all our days,
Mom's love will stay with us forever
and touch our lives in precious ways...

The values you've taught,
the care you've given,
and the wonderful love you've shown,
have enriched my life
in more ways than I can count.
I Love you Mom!

Mother's Love

Thanks to you and all that you do,
someday our kids will look back on this
time in their lives and realize how
lucky they were to have you as a mom.

Because of you, our kids will someday
look back on their childhoods and remember
some of the happiest birthdays, holidays, and
family vacations that any children ever had.

They will grow up knowing how much
they are cared about and loved. Whatever
they encounter, they'll always be full of
confidence and hope, because they know how
much their mom believes in them.

Our kids will always know that they can
find safety and comfort in their mother's
arms; hope and strength in her caring
heart; and acceptance and love in her
beautiful smile.

They may not realize all of these things
this Mother's Day -- at least not in ways
that they can put into words -- so I'm
telling you. We're all so lucky to have
you in our lives: the best wife and
mother there could ever be.

The Greatest Mother In The World

My Mother is a special
person, a woman like no other.
In her I see a caring and loving woman.
One who guides with tender,
yet, strong hands.
In my heart I feel her love
and in my life I see her touch.
The lessons she taught and the standards
she set, will follow me always.
And no matter what else happens,
I will always think
of her with love and respect.
But to me she is...and will always be,
Mom

What is a Mother

A mother is someone who's always
around when you're stuck
for some friendly advice.

A mother is someone who knows
how you feel and who'll help you
without thinking twice...

A mother is someone so thoughtful
and kind she's made her own place
in your heart...

A mother is someone you wish
all life's best with the love that's been her
from the start.

A Mother's Prayer

A dear sweet mom knelt to pray,
Dear Lord take care of my children
keep them safe from harm
guide their every step and
never forsake them -
Instill in them

the love you've shown me
and never let them forget
those who love them most.

Best Mother There Ever Could Be

A mother like you must be
the dearest of all God's creations.

I can't think of anything
that is as sweet
as a mother's love,
that is as precious
as you are to me,
or that is as appreciated
as you are by every single smile
within me.

I love you so much, Mom.
And I thank God that you're mine.

I Said A Mother's Prayer For You

I said a Mother's Day prayer for you
to thank the Lord above
for blessing me with a lifetime
of your tenderhearted love.
I thanked God for the caring
you've shown me through the years,
for the closeness we've enjoyed
in time of laughter and of tears.
And so, I thank you from the heart
for all you've done for me
and I bless the Lord for giving me
the best mother there could be!

A Mother's Love

There are times when only a Mother's love
Can understand our tears,
Can soothe our disappoints
And calm all of our fears.
There are times when only a Mother's love
Can share the joy we feel
When something we've dreamed about
Quite suddenly is real.
There are times when only a Mother's faith
Can help us on life's way
And inspire in us the confidence
We need from day to day.
For a Mother's heart and a Mother's faith
And a Mother's steadfast love
Were fashioned by the Angels
And sent from God above...

A Precious Mother

Mom You've given me so much,
Love from your heart
and the warmth of your touch.
The gift of life and you're a friend to me.
We have a very Special Bond
which only comes from God...
I'm sure you agree.
As a child I would say Mommy I Love You,
Now you're my Mother so dear
I love you even more with each
and every new year.
If I could had chosen,
I would have picked no other.
Thank for you ... to be my lifelong friend and
Precious Mother.

Only One Mother

Millions of stars in the heavens above,
Only one mother to cherish and love.

Thousands and thousands of flowers and trees,
Hundreds and hundreds of mountains and seas.

Everything multiplied over and over,
Robins and butterflies, bees in the clover.

Many good friends to think the world of,
But only one mother to cherish and love.

My "Other" Mom

Thank you for being
so special to me...

I want you to know
how very special you are to me.
The rewards that come to me
from knowing you
are some of the nicest things in my life.
And if my love and my admiration
and my appreciation of you
don't always get spoken the way
I'd like them to...
It's only because the right words
haven't been invented yet
for someone as special as you.

“Second Mom”

I want you to know
that you've made
such a difference
in my life
with your warmth
and kindness.

You have taken me into your house,
into your arms and into your life
with a smile and total acceptance.

Thank you for your friendship
and all the times when you've listened
and understood.

Thank you for loving me
as if I were your own.

Please know how much I love you
and how much you really mean to me.

This is for the husband to give to Mother in Law

Our Mother

You have given me a precious gift
with whom I share my life.
You raised in love the little girl
that now I call my wife.
You are her lovely mother,
and I the lucky man,
that your little girl has chosen
to always hold her hand.
And now I want to thank you,
Mom, for all your loving care,
and being the kind of mother
the both of us can share.

This is for the wife to give to Mother in Law

My Mother

You are the Mother I received
the day I wed your son.
And I just want to thank you, Mom
for the things that you have done.
You have given me a gracious man
with whom I share my life.
You are his lovely mother and
I his lucky wife.
You used to pat his little head,
and now I hold his hand,
You raised in love a little boy
then gave to me a man.

I Like To Walk With Grandma

I like to walk with Grandma
Her steps are short like mine
She doesn't say 'Now hurry up!'
She always takes her time.

I like to walk with Grandma
Her eyes see things like mine do
Like caterpillars, funny clouds
Butterflies and sparkling dew.

Most people have to hurry
They do not stop and see.
I'm glad that God made Grandma
Unrushed and young - like me.

Grandma 1

A Grandma
knows the nicest
ways of bringing happiness...
sharing love in all she does
to nurture and to bless.
A Grandma is a special gift
sent from God above
who shares her talents and her
time and best of all, her love.
Thank you for your
gift of love, Grandma.
May God bless you with
His goodness.

Grandma 2

From the time I was
a little kid I remember
 how much fun
it was to be with you
and how easy it was
 to talk to you --
I always looked forward
to our "together times".
And on this special day
I wanted you to know
I still enjoy the special
closeness the two of us share.

Grandmother 1

A Grandmother
as Dear as you
makes life more special.
Although the years
in passing have a way
of changing things,
They'll never change
the love and warmth
that thinking of you brings.
For you're the kind of
Grandmother who's dearer
than you know, and this is a
welcome chance to
fondly tell you so.

Grandmother 2

Families share so many things together but it's the special things that makes a family strong. And among the most special is the love of a dear grandmother ...

Like You.

You are very special and we need and love you very much May the Lord always bless you and keep you in his care. and may those who you love always bring you happiness.

What Is A Grandma?

A grandma is warm hugs and sweet memories.

She remembers all of your accomplishments and forgets all of your mistakes.

She is someone you can tell your secrets and worries to, and she hopes and prays that all your dreams come true.

She always loves you, no matter what.

She can see past temper tantrums and bad moods, and makes it clear that they don't affect how precious you are to her.

She is an encouraging word and tender touch.

She is full of proud smiles.

She is the one person in the world who loves you with all her heart, who remembers the child you were and cherishes the person you've become.

The Greatest Grandmother In The World

My Grandmother is a special
person, a woman like no other.

In her I see a caring and loving woman.
One who guides with tender, yet, strong hands.

In my heart I feel her love
and in my life I see her touch.

The lessons she taught and the standards
she set, will follow me always.

And no matter what else happens,
I will always think of her with love and respect.

But to me she is...and will always be,
My Grandma

For You Grandmother

The Lord bless you
and keep you:

The Lord make his face
to shine upon you...

Numbers 6:24-25

Each day brings thoughts
of you, and with each
thought, a prayer.

That God will bless
you day by day,
and keep you in His care.

This is a Grandmother

A warm smile to greet us,
a tender embrace,
Sweet understanding
when things don't fall in place,
Encouraging wisdom
to help with each day,
And love that goes with us
as we go our way,
A part of our lives
from one day to another,
A joy to us always....
this is a Grandmother.

The greatest gift
I ever had came from God.
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Dad 1

You've helped me through
the good times and bad times,
comforted me and given me support
when I needed it,
you have always encouraged me
to be the best person I could
possibly be, and though there
have been times when we haven't
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the warm and special relationship
we do, because
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Dad 2

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more I understand,
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That you've been simply
wonderful, since I was very
small, And I've been blessed
for certain, with the finest
Dad of all!

Dad 3

What can you say to someone
who has always been one of
the most essential parts of your world;
someone who took you by the hand
when you were little
and helped to show the way?

What do you say to someone
who stood by to help you grow,
providing love, strength, and support
so you could become the person
you are today?

What can you say to let him know
that he's the best there is,
and that you hope you've inherited
some of his wisdom and his strength?

What words would you say
if you ever got the chance?

Maybe you just say
"I love you, Dad..."

Dad 4

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But still, there's one thing
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I am what I am.

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future but all that I am,
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importantly, you've shared my disappointments,
and listened as I worked out my thoughts
and feelings about so many things that
troubled me as I was growing up.

You're a very important part of my world,
Dad, so I want to thank you now,
and tell you that I hope everything will
always be right with your world, too...
because I love you.

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But Dad I want you to know,
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you've always given me,
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A part of you, you'll always see.

Daddy

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in the comfort of my Daddy
that's the warm and lasting kind-
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And nothing else can quite compare to knowing as I do,
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keep changing too...
...But one thing always stays the same...
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To Dad With Love

Some things will always be in style
Good solid things like honesty,
trust and caring about people.
It's qualities like these that keep
us aware of who we are
And what we can give to life.
It's qualities like these, Dad,
that you've taught me to value,
Through your influence, your example,
and your love.
It has made me love you very much,
And has made me very proud
to have you for my Dad.

Number One Dad

Who gives me love and guidance?
Who shows me wrong from right?
Who's there when I need confidence?
Who tucks me in at night?

He's someone always on my side.
At times my biggest fan.
His love he never tries to hide.
He's really quite a man.

But that's just half the story.
The rest sure makes me glad.
'Cause this guy's much more you see.
He's number one - My Dad!

The Greatest Daddy In The World

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know much about big things in this world.

This one thing I know,
my Daddy loves me very much,
and he will always be there for me.
And although I am not able
to understand big words yet,
when my Daddy talks to me and
holds me close I can feel his Love,
and I know that I will always be safe in his arms.
I love you Daddy so very, very much
and I know you must be the greatest
Daddy in the whole world.

World's Greatest Dad

I've been thinking, Dad,
about all the times you've believed in me
when I didn't even believe in myself.

Times you've understood me
when I was so difficult to understand.

The times you've encouraged me when
I needed it most. But more than these things,
Dad, I've been thinking about the unfailing
love which has followed me
through all the stages of my life...

And I just want to let you know that I think you are
"The Greatest Dad in the Whole World"
and that I Love You very, very much.

A Father's Prayer

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for some friendly advice.

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how you feel and who'll help you
without thinking twice...

A father is someone so thoughtful
and kind he's made his own place
in your heart...

A father is someone you wish
all life's best with the love that's been his
from the start.

To My Father

A father is someone who
can never be thanked enough
or shown enough appreciation
for all that he does.

Yet I've spent so little time
doing those very thing.

My gratitude for you, Dad,
is always right inside my heart,
for I do know that I have
the world's best father.

I just don't seem to bring
my gratitude out into the open
often enough for you to see.
I guess I've always expected you to
know just the way I feel about you.

But maybe I've taken somethings
for granted ---
maybe I assume you know
that every time
I just want to say, "I love you, Dad"

The Greatest Father In The World

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In my heart I feel his love
and in my life I see his touch.
The lessons he taught and the standards
he set, will follow me always.
And no matter what else happens, I will always
think of him with love and respect.
But to me he is...and will always be,
Dad

“Being like a Father to Me”

I thank you. So much.
My thoughts thank you.
My smile thanks you.
And my brighter days thank you.

Thank you.
For making more than a difference
For taking more than just the time.
Thank you for doing... all that you
so wonderfully do.

I wish I could express the gratitude
I feel in so many different ways.
It's hard to say the meaningful things;
the words that come to mind
usually find themselves falling short
of the feelings that I'd like to share
and the things I'd like to say.

But I want you to know that
“thanks” is one emotion
that flows directly into the heart.

And it's a very wonderful feeling
that never goes away.

To A New Father

A baby is a wonderful blessing
that opens up a whole new world
of experiences for you.

Never again will you love anything
or anyone in quite the same way,
or be as protective, devoted, or giving.

A baby brings hopes and dreams,
cuddles and snuggles,
smiles and laughter.

There's nothing as soft and warm,
and nothing more precious.

A baby is one of life's
most wonderful gifts.

Always remember the deep love
you feel today as a new father,
then keep that love active
and hold on to it tightly.

You'll need it more than ever
as your baby grows up!

As A New Father

Your baby is
a beautiful, innocent, tiny person
who will depend on you for everything

As a new father
you will play with your baby
and teach your baby
all you know

You will
protect your baby
from all possible hurt

You will
love your baby at all times

You will
give your baby stability
and family support

You will learn
the deepest understanding
of happiness

because a baby is the most
beautiful miracle
of love and life.

Father-in-Law

I am thankful to have a father-in-law
who is as wonderful as you...

I want you to know
what a privilege it is for me
to be a part of your family.

I couldn't have asked
for a nicer, more thoughtful,
or more supportive father-in-law than you.

I truly appreciate the "extended family"
that you are such a special part of...
and I wish for you a life
filled with joy and love!

Grandfather 1

A Grandfather
as Dear as you
makes life more special.
Although the years
in passing have a way
of changing things,
They'll never change
the love and warmth
that thinking of you brings.
For you're the kind of
Grandfather who's dearer
than you know, and this is a
welcome chance to
fondly tell you so.

Grandfather 2

Families share so many
things together but it's the
special things that makes
a family strong. And among
the most special is the love
of a dear Grandfather ...

Like You.

You are very special and
we need and love you
very much May the Lord
always bless you and keep
you in his care
and may those who you love
always bring you happiness.

Grandpa 1

From the time I was
a little kid I remember
 how much fun
it was to be with you
and how easy it was
 to talk to you --
I always looked forward
to our "together times".
And on this special day
I wanted you to know
I still enjoy the special
closeness the two of us share.

Grandpa 2

A Grandpa
 knows the nicest
ways of bringing happiness...
 sharing love in all he does
 to nurture and to bless.
A Grandpa is a special gift
 sent from God above
who shares his talents and his
time and best of all, his love.
 Thank you for your
 gift of love, Grandpa.
May God bless you with
 His goodness.

This is a Grandfather

A warm smile to greet us,
a tender embrace,
Sweet understanding
when things don't fall in place,
Encouraging wisdom
to help with each day,
And love that goes with us
as we go our way,
A part of our lives
from one day to another,
A joy to us always....
this is a Grandfather.

For You Grandfather

The Lord bless you
and keep you:
The Lord make his face
to shine upon you...
Numbers 6:24-25

Each day brings thoughts
of you, and with each
thought, a prayer.
That God will bless
you day by day,
and keep you in His care.

I Like To Walk With Grandpa

I like to walk with Grandpa
His steps are short like mine,
He doesn't say, "Now hurry up!"
He always takes his time.

I like to walk with Grandpa
His eyes see things like mine do
Wee pebbles bright, funny cloud,
Half hidden drops of dew.

Most people have to hurry,
They do not stop and see.
I'm glad that God made Grandpa
Unrushed and young - like me.

To A Special Grandpa

I want you to know that
you are a very special grandpa to me.
You have helped guide me through life
by always being there for me - -
offering comfort when I'm down,
giving advice when I ask for it,
or just listening when that's
what will help most.
You are my grandpa,
my good friend,
someone I love very much.

The Greatest Grandfather In The World

My Grandfather is a special
person, a man like no other.
In him I see a caring and loving man,
One who guides with tender, yet, strong hands.
In my heart I feel his love
and in my life I see his touch.
The lessons he taught and the standards
he set, will follow me always.
And no matter what else happens,
I will always think of him with love and respect.
But to me he is...and will always be,
My Grandpa

Mom and Dad 1

I wish there was a way
to repay you for all
you've done for me;
All the caring, all the love,
all the sacrifice and concern.
I always knew you would be
there for me and that your love
never depended on
what I did or didn't do.
I love you very much.

Mom and Dad 2

You've helped me through
good times and bad times,
comforted me
and given me support
when I needed it,
and always encouraged me
to be the best person
I could possibly be,
and though there
have been times
when we haven't understood
each other very well...
I'm so glad
that we now share
the warm and special
relationship we do,
because I love you both so very much.

GRANDPARENTS

Gentle, good-natured, softhearted, and grand,
Ready always with a smile and a warm helpful hand.
Admired and regarded as knowledgeable and wise,
Nurturing their grandchildren to reach for the skies.
Devoted and dedicated to their loving family,
Proudly showing pictures for everyone to see!
Always telling stories of how things used to be,
Reading books, playing games, or listening patiently.
Easy-going, easy-living, enjoying life's pleasures,
Noticing that long life brings so many treasures.
Truly grandparents are wonderful in so many ways,
Special people who always seem to brighten our days.

My Grandparents

Nothing is as special
As the comfort that I find,
In the eyes of my Grandparents,
The warm and lasting kind.

A love that's based on caring thoughts
And gentle trusting ways.
Moments shared ...both good and bad
And words of love and praise.

Leaves may change from green to gold
The sky from blue to gray.
A summer's afternoon becomes
A chilly winter's day.
People change and places change
And times keep changing too,
But one thing always stays the same...
The love I feel for you.

So put this in a special place
And read it over too
As a reminder of your grandchild's love
That will last a lifetime through.

The Greatest Grandparents In The World

My Grandparents
are very special people
They are like no other. In them I
see caring and loving people,
who guides with tender yet, strong hands.
In my heart I feel their love
and in my life I see their touch.
The lessons they taught and the standards
they set, will follow me always.
And no matter what else happens, I will always
think of them with love and respect.
But to me they are...and will always be,
My Grandparents

The World's Greatest Grandparents

This is the perfect time to say that
I'm so glad to have grandparents like you.
When I'm near you I can feel your love,
when I'm away from you I miss you every much.
Surely you must be the Greatest Grandparents
in the whole wide world.
I love you so very much!

Sister 1

Growing up together creates
a special bond. The playing and
laughing brought us closer together.

The fights and struggles
only made us stronger.

You have been the kind of Sister that
every Sister should be.

When it seemed there was no one else,
you were always there to give me that
extra little push I needed.

I have had many dear friends, and hope
to have many more. But I know
that there will never be anyone
who could take your place.

Thanks for being a wonderful Sister,
But most of all for just being
a great friend!

Sister 2

Sister is a lovely word
that always brings to mind
memories of the happiest
and very warmest kind!

Thoughts of you bring memories
through each passing year,
you've been the kind of Sister
who's especially sweet and dear.

If you could read my heart
then you would surely see
with every day that passes by
you mean still more to me.

Love Always,

Sister 3

It's funny -- when we were kids,
we never thought we'd even like each other,
much less love one another.

But now that we've grown older and closer,
I can't imagine my life without you
as an important part of it.

Our little chats provide support and comfort.

Your thoughtful gestures lift my spirits.

Your dogged determination inspires me.

And your kindness touches me
in ways you couldn't imagine.

When we were young, we couldn't
understand each other's value --
but now we know that having each other
is the best gift of all.

Today and every day, I stop
to thank God that I have you.

Now I want to thank you!

For being such a wonderful person,
for putting up with me,
and for being the best sister
I could ever hope for.

Sister 4

A sister is someone
who'll share in your dreams,

She'll listen to troubles
and help in your schemes.

A sister will naturally
stick by your side,

And when you deserve it,
she'll praise you with pride.

She's someone to count on
and think so much of -

A sister is family
and friendship and love.

My Sister

It really would be wonderful
To be with you each day...
To laugh with you,
And talk with you,
And pass the time away.
But since that isn't possible,
The next best thing to do
Is give this wish for
Happiness to last the
Whole year through.

My Dear Sister

Dear and precious sister
You're more than words can say.
And you just get dearer
every passing day.
They say "good looks"
are only "skin deep."
But you're full of love
And that will always keep.
I'm proud of you for so many things.
It's a joy when we are together.
And you have my love
Forever and Forever

God Made Sisters...

God knew the need for someone
To add humor to our hearts;
Someone who would spice our Lives
with laughter and mischief;
Someone we could run to
For special comfort and friendship;
Someone whose life would
Touch ours in a hundred
Different ways...
So He made Sisters.

Thank You For Being A
Really Great Sister.

Special Sister-in-Law

Sister-in-law, even though I don't always get
a chance to show it, I hope you know that
you're very important to the happiness...
that lives within my heart.

Every time I think of you, I find myself filled
with lasting gratitude for all the things that
lovingly tie us together. You and I share an
understanding that I will always treasure. As
the years pass and the story of our extended
family grows even more complete, one of the
sweetest things will always be the smiles that
you have inspired.

I'm very proud to be related to you. Having
you as a friend and sharing such a special
kinship have given me memories I wouldn't
trade for anything. And I know that even if
there are times when our two families are far
away from each other, our hopes and our
thoughts... will always keep us close together.

Daughter 1

Daughter is a lovely word
that always brings to mind
memories of the happiest
and very warmest kind!

Thoughts of you bring memories
for, through each passing year,
you've been the kind of daughter
who's especially sweet and dear.

If you could read my heart
then you would surely see
with every day that passes by
you mean still more to me.

Daughter 2

A daughter is a wonderful blessing,
A treasure from above.
She's laughter, warmth and special charm,
She's thoughtfulness and love.

A daughter brings a special joy,
That comes from deep inside.
And as she grows to adulthood,
She fills your heart with pride.

With every year that passes,
She's more special than before.
Through every stage, through every age,
You love her even more.

No words can describe the warm memories,
The pride and gratitude, too.
That comes from having a daughter,
To love and to cherish...just like you, (name)!

Daughter 3

No words could ever
tell you, Daughter,
or show the full extent
of what a special Daughter you are
and what you've
always meant...
and so these special thoughts
bring you a world of love
with wishes for the happiness
you're so deserving of!

Daughter.... 4

God added a touch of mystery,
Of mischief, and of magic;
He saw a place for
Adventure and courage;
For daring dreams and
Crazy schemes;
He knew our lives needed
Spice, and a tough but tender Love...
So God gave us you,
Our beloved Daughter.

My Daughter

The sunshine of your precious smile
could melt the coldest heart.

It brightens up my dreary day when we are far apart.

The memory of your little hand holding mine so tight
brings a warm glow to my heart
on a cold and dreary night.

Those little arms that hug my neck will
soon be big and strong; you're growing up
so quickly so it won't be very long.

So I'll take your hugs and kisses now,
cause the day will soon be here,
when you'll think you're much to big,
for me to hold so near.

God Made Daughters...

God saw a place for sunshine,
And gave a promise of joy.
He filled our lives with
Laughter, warmth and tenderness.
And added an extra touch
Of goodness, curiosity,
And surprise.
He topped it all with a
Special quality of love...
So He made Daughters.

Daughter-In-Law 1

To know you is
to love you and it
wasn't long at all,
'Til you became a "daughter".
You've added to our
family such a warm
and charming touch.
To know you
is to love you,
and we love
you very much

Daughter-in-Law 2

I want you to know how thankful I am
to have you for a daughter-in-law
and how much my grandchildren
mean to me.
In them, I see my own children
as they were when they were young.
As their mother,
I see you go through so many
of the same experiences
and have so many of the same worries
(as well as the joys!) that I have had.
I want you to know that I think
you are doing a wonderful job.
It's not always an easy one,
and I know you sometimes wonder
if you are doing everything right.
Well, I think you are.
I'm so proud of all my grandchildren,
and I'm so happy to have you
for a daughter-in-law.

Dear Daughter In Law

Parents are very careful
when making choices for their son.
But sometimes a child makes
choices not always number one.

But I'm glad he chose you to be his
partner forever. It's plain for all
to see how happy you are together.
You are his wife and friend.

That won my heart. You see,
you're not just a Daughter in Law,
you're a dear Daughter to me.

Love,

My Daughter-in-Law

Thank you for choosing to come into our family
and for choosing my son as your life-mate.

Thank you for bringing into our family
the special qualities that only you possess:
your charm, intelligence, energy, and love.

Thank you for being a confident,
soul-mate, and friend,
for the cozy chats and shared laughter and tears.

Thank you for your continued
kindness, acceptance and support --
both intellectually and emotionally.

Thank you for the countless little things you do;
you might think they go unnoticed, but I see them.

Thank you for loving my son
with the intensity and wisdom of a wife
and the gentleness of an angel.

Most of all, thank you for being you.
I couldn't love you more
if you were my own child.

Brother 1

Brother is a lovely word
that always brings to mind
memories of the happiest
and very warmest kind!

Thoughts of you bring memories
through each passing year,
you've been the kind of Brother
who's especially sweet and dear.

If you could read my heart
then you would surely see
with every day that passes by
you mean still more to me.

Brother 2

Growing up, we played and fought,
talked and laughed.

beyond the battles we waged,
we found in each other
unending support
and a lifelong friend.

Through thick and thin,
and difficult times,

we emerged together as one,
protecting each other
from the world.

I know that if either of us
ever need anything,

we can count on the other
to give our all

and help in every way possible.

I could never ask for, want,
or need a better brother,
because I have the best in you.

Brother 3

Growing up together creates
a special bond. The playing and
laughing brought us closer together.

The fights and struggles
only made us stronger.

You have been the kind of Brother that
every Brother should be.

When it seemed there was no one else,
you were always there to give me that
extra little push I needed.

I have had many dear friends, and hope
to have many more. But I know
that there will never be anyone
who could take your place.

Thanks for being a wonderful Brother,
But most of all for just being
a great friend!

God Made Brothers...

God knew the need for someone
To add humor to our hearts;
Someone who would spice our Lives
with laughter and mischief;
Someone we could run to
For special comfort and friendship;
Someone whose life would
Touch ours in a hundred
Different ways...
So He made Brothers.

My Dear Brother

Dear and precious brother
You're more than words can say.
And you just get Dearer
every passing day.
They say "good looks"
are only "skin deep."
But you're full of love
And that will always keep.
I'm proud of you for so many things.
It's a joy when we are together.
And you have my love
Forever and Forever

My Brother

It really would be wonderful
To be with you each day...
To laugh with you,
And talk with you,
And pass the time away.
But since that isn't possible,
The next best thing to do
Is give this wish for
Happiness to last the
Whole year through.

Brother-in-Law

A brother-in-law
as wonderful as you
is more than just a relation...

He is a friend.
He is a special part of the family.
He is a sharer of smiles.
He is so many memories of yesterday.
He is so many special hopes for tomorrow.
He is someone to turn to, someone to
appreciate, and someone to wish
every happiness.

And of all the things to never forget,
I hope you'll always remember this:

I'm very glad that we are "family."

Son 1

Son is a lovely word
that always brings to mind
memories of the happiest
and very warmest kind!
Thoughts of you bring memories
through each passing year,
you've been the kind of son
who's especially sweet and dear.
If you could read my heart
then you would surely see
with every day that passes by
you mean still more to me.

Son 2

A son is a wonderful blessing,
A treasure from above.
He's laughter, warmth and special charm,
He's thoughtfulness and love.

A son brings a special joy,
That comes from deep inside.
And as he grows to adulthood,
He fills your heart with pride.

With every year that passes,
He's more special than before.
Through every stage, through every age,
You love him even more.

No words can describe the warm memories,
The pride and gratitude, too.
That comes from having a son,
To love and to cherish...just like you, (name)!

Son 3

No words could ever
tell you, Son,
or show the full extent
of what a special son you are
and what you've
always meant...
and so these special thoughts
bring you a world of love
with wishes for the happiness
you're so deserving of!

Son... 4

God added a touch of mystery,
Of mischief, and of magic;
He saw a place for
Adventure and courage;
For daring dreams and
Crazy schemes;
He knew our lives needed
Spice, and a tough but tender Love...
So God gave us you,
Our beloved Son.

My Son

The sunshine of your precious smile
could melt the coldest heart.

It brightens up my dreary day when we are far apart.

The memory of your little hand holding mine
so tight brings a warm glow to my heart
on a cold and dreary night.

Those little arms that hug my neck will
soon be big and strong; you're growing up
so quickly so it won't be very long.

So I'll take your hugs and kisses now,
cause the day will soon be here,
when you'll think you're much too big,
for me to hold so near.

God Made Sons...

God saw a place for sunshine,
And gave a promise of joy.

He filled our lives with
Laughter, warmth and tenderness.

And added an extra touch
Of goodness, curiosity,
And surprise.

He topped it all with a
Special quality of love...
So He made Sons.

Dear Son In Law

Parents are very careful
when making choices for their daughter.
But sometimes a child makes
choices not always number one.

But I'm glad he chose you to be her
partner forever. It's plain for all
to see how happy you are together.
You are her husband and friend.

That won my heart. You see,
you're not just a Son in Law,
you're a dear Son to me.

Our Son-in-Law

We never thought anyone would be
good enough for our "little girl" --
until we met you!

We see how much you care for our daughter
by the thoughtful things you do and say,
and that makes us admire you even more.

You are always kind and courteous;

We feel more than welcome in your home.

We enjoy the way we can talk about anything.

You aren't afraid to ask for our opinion
on any subject and we thank you for that.

Today, we want to let you know this,
and assure you of our caring and appreciation.

We're always here for you, and
for our most precious treasure: our daughter.
You are an important addition to our family.

Son-In-Law

To know you is
to love you and it
wasn't long at all,
'Til you became a "son".
You've added to our
family such a warm
and charming touch.
To know you
is to love you,
and we love
you very much.

Dear Aunt Name,

*You're thoughtful and so caring too,
and I hope that you can see,
the depth of what I feel for you,
how much you're loved by me.
You've influenced me very much,
much more than I have shown.
You've been there when I needed you,
through all the years I've known.
To me you're more than just an Aunt,
You're a precious person too.
You'll always be a favorite Aunt...
no one could replace you.*

Dear Aunt Name, 2

*May life be sweet and good for you,
as you have made it for me,
and all those around you.
There has never been and will never
be another Aunt quite like you.
I love you very much.
God bless you.*

Dear Aunt Name, 3

I'm so very grateful
for having an Aunt like you.
For always being there,
and for always understanding.
For always knowing
what and what not to say.
You are what all aunts
should aspire to be.

You deserve the very best of everything.
For all the things you've ever done,
for the things that I have forgotten,
and for the things I never knew you did,
I thank you...and I love you.

Love To My Aunt

There are people in our lives
who gives us a lift
whenever we think about them,
and that's the kind of person you are.

You give me comfort like a mother
understanding like a sister,
and love like a friend.

You always make me feel
good about myself,
and I appreciate that so much.

I really love you as my Aunt.

To my Aunt Name

"Certain people touch our lives
in a very special way."
You're so much like a "Mom" to me,
that's how I think of you,
and I'm eternally grateful
for everything you do.
You take the time to listen,
you always seem to care,
you'll never know just how much,
it means to have you there.

Special Aunt

You are such a special aunt:
warm and caring,
a good friend,
someone to talk to,
to trust, to look up to.
You have been my friend
for so many years,
and that has been
important to me.

Without you, there were occasions
I would have missed,
things I could not have achieved,
and I don't think I could have
grown into the person I am
without your influence.
Today, may your heart be filled
with light and love,
may your life be touched by beauty,
and may your home be warm
with happiness.

God Made Aunts...

God knew the need for someone
To add humor to our hearts,
Someone who would spice
Our lives with laughter and mischief.
Someone we could run to
For special comfort and friendship;
Someone whose life would
Touch ours in a
Hundred different ways...
So He made Aunts.

God Made Uncles...

God knew the need for someone
To add humor to our hearts,
Someone who would spice
Our lives with laughter and Mischief.
Someone we could run to
For special comfort and friendship;
Someone whose life would
Touch ours in a
Hundred different ways...
So He made Uncles.

To My Uncle

There are many things
I hold dear.

Things I value and
things I love.

Your friendship is
something I will always
treasure. Our time together
is special and dear
I am now and shall
always be your Niece or Nephew.

To My Aunt & Uncle With Love,

Some things will always be in style
Good solid things like honesty,
and trust and caring about people.

It's qualities like these that keep
us aware of who we are
And what we can give to life.

It's qualities like these,
Aunt (Name) & Uncle (Name),
that you've taught me to value,
Through your influence,
your example, and your love.
It has made me love you very much,
And has made me very proud
to have you for my Aunt & Uncle.

Wonderful Niece

Sometimes we need
reminders in our lives
of how much people care.

If you ever get that feeling,
I want you to remember this...

Beyond words that can even begin
to tell you how much, I hold you
and your happiness within my heart.

I am so proud of you, Niece, and
so thankful to an extended family
that gives me so much to be
thankful for.

You're the best!

Nephew...

God added a touch of mystery,
Of mischief, and of magic;
He saw a place for
Adventure and courage;
For daring dreams and
Crazy schemes;
He knew our lives needed
Spice, and a tough but tender Love...
So God gave us you,
Our beloved Nephew.

Heaven's Very Special Child

A Chosen Child

You're a chosen child...
You're ours, but not by birth.
But we feel the same,
we feel You're the greatest child on earth.

You're a chosen child...
Sent down from God above.
Chosen to fill our home,
With laughter and with love.

You're a chosen child, [Name]...
You've given us so much pleasure.
Chosen above the rest,
A precious, priceless treasure.

A meeting was held quite far from earth,
"It's time again for another birth,"
Said the angels to the Lord above,
"This special child will need much love.
Her progress may seem very slow,
Accomplishments she may not show,
And she'll require extra care
From the folks she meets way down there.
She may not run or laugh or play;
Her thoughts may seem quite far away.
In many way she won't adapt,
And she'll be known as handicapped.
So let's be careful where she's sent,
We want her life to be content.

Please, Lord, find parents who
Will do a special job for you
They will not realize right away
The leading role they're asked to play
But with this child sent from above
Comes stronger faith and richer love.
And soon they'll know the privilege given
In caring for this gift from Heaven.
Their precious charge so meek and mild
Is Heaven's very special child."

My Husband

Today I celebrate
the wonder of our love.
As I remember our wedding day
and the promises we made,
I can still see your nervous smile,
your tears as I walked down the aisle.

We are not the same people
that took those vows,
so many years ago.
We are older and surely wiser.
We have found joy in our differences
and we revel in our sameness.

You know my thoughts,
when I can't find the words.
Your touch brings forth answers,
when I know not the questions.
Your laughter - your sweet laughter
brings peace to my soul.

There are no words to express
the depth of the joy and the wonder
that you have brought to my life.
So today I celebrate a love
that is complete
for knowing you.

My Husband, My Friend

Through each day you stand by my side,
my companion, my friend, my love.
Your kind and gentle hand,
Always ready to slip into mine,
To give me strength and guidance as only you can.
Even through the tears,
Your touch makes my heart smile.
It sends a stream of comforting warmth
Throughout every inch of my body.

Day after day you give of yourself
without question or hesitation.
How lucky that has made me, for you have blessed my life.
Together, we share a passion
that stirs an awakening within me,
I never knew was there.
Like a new Spring day when the earth
welcomes in new life.

You are my husband, my friend, my sweet wonderful love.
The man I will gracefully grow old with,
the man who will keep me forever young.
To you I give my body, heart, and soul,
together, we share our time, our memories.... our love.
Today, I adore you.. my husband,
Tomorrow I cherish you... my friend,
To the end of time, I love you...
my sweet wonderful love.

My Loving Husband

It's you who filled my
life with joy,
It's you who helped to make
my dreams come true.
It's you who holds the secret
to my happiness...
and when I think
about the one
I'll always love,
it's you.

My Wonderful Husband

A strong arm to lean upon,
A tender shoulder to cry upon,
A patient ear to sound upon,
A firm chest to rest upon,
A loving heart to rely upon
All these things I find in you
My only lover,
And my best friend.

My Loving Wife

It's you who filled my
life with joy,
It's you who helped to make
my dreams come true.
It's you who holds the secret
to my happiness...
and when I think
about the one
I'll always love,
it's you.

My Wonderful Wife

A strong arm to lean upon,
A tender shoulder to cry upon,
A patient ear to sound upon,
A clear mind to count upon,
A loving heart to rely upon
All these things I find in you
My only lover,
And my best friend.

To My Wife

A wife is someone wonderful
who's thoughtful and sincere...
One who fills each day with joy
just by being near...

A wife is someone wonderful
who like the things you do...
Who understands your little jokes
and shares your dreams with you...

A wife is someone wonderful
whose gentle love is shown
by the special smiles and glances
that are yours and yours alone!

You're a wonderful wife

I know I've said before
that "I love you" and I have tried to
tell you how much you mean to me --
but I wonder if you really know
how strong and sincere my emotions are and
how deeply touched I am by your qualities.
You are such a special person in every way.
You're always listening and sharing and
giving so much of yourself.

I want to give so much in return.
For I do love you,
and I just want to let you know
how nice it feels inside
when my smile is showing
and my heart is full
and my thoughts are all for you.

Let's Celebrate

Let's celebrate
everything about our being together -
the good times
filled with our own kind of fun,
the close times
when we've reached out to each other
with so much caring and love.
And let's celebrate
the times we've struggled, too,
because we've learned
to understand each other better
along the way.
Our relationship
has become so much more
than we ever imagined,
and more than ever
I'm so glad we're together.

True Love

True love is a sacred flame
That burns eternally,
And none can dim its special glow
Or change its destiny.

True love speaks in tender tones
And hears with gentle ear,
True love gives with open heart
And true love conquers fear.

True love makes no harsh demands
It neither rules nor binds,
And true love holds with gentle hands
The hearts that it entwines.

Real Love

Every time I think of you,
I feel the intensity
Of loving you
Like you could never imagine.

What I want more than anything
Is to hold you in my arms
And tell you just how much I love you,
And how much I want you in my life.

Please...

Don't ever doubt my love for you.
Because it is as real today
As it was the day
We first began to share a love.

My Luve's Like a Red, Red Rose

O My Luve's like a red, red rose,
That's newly sprung in June:
O My Luve's like the melodies
That's sweetly played in tune!

As fair art thou, my bonnie lass,
So deep in love am I;
And I will luve thee still, my dear,
Till a' the seas gang dry

Till a' the seas gang dry, my dear,
And the rocks melt wi' the sun;
I will luve thee still, my dear,
While the sands o' life shall run.

And fare thee weel, my only Luve,
And fare the weel a while!
And I will come again, my Luve,
Though it were ten thousand mile.

Robert Burns

My Only Love

Just to say I love you
never seems enough.

I've said it so many times
I am afraid you won't understand
what I really mean when I say it.

How can so much feeling,
so much adoration possibly fit into
those three little words.

But until I find some other
way of saying what I feel, then

"I love you" will have to do.

So no matter how many times I say it,
never take it lightly, for you are my life,
and my only love.

I love you now more
than ever before.

I Never Knew

I never knew what love meant
until you touched my life.
You give life it's self meaning and purpose.

With the whisper of your name
the birds sing no more,
or perhaps I loose the ability
to hear their song.

My heart longs only for the sound
of your voice,
and the touch of your silky, soft hand.

I never knew life could be so full.
I never knew love could be so real.

I never knew what happiness was
until I knew your love, dear.

With every breath I breathe,
with every beat of my heart,
my eternal soul agrees....

I never knew life until I knew your love.

Love is

Love is being with you,
doing the everyday
things together,
and though sometimes
they may not seem
very exciting,
there's a comfortable
feeling that sharing
them brings.
That's what love is to me -
sharing a life
that together we've made
so special.

Forever Yours

The years go by and life gets sweeter.
Because you are the love of my life.
The years go by and we get older,
but our love stays fresh and young.
No one's the same today as
they were yesterday,
and though my love may manifest
itself in different ways now
than long ago,
I want you to know that it's
deeper and more meaningful
now than ever before.
My love for you will never die,
Though years and years and years go by.

Once in a Lifetime

Once in a Lifetime
you find someone special,
Your lives intermingle
And somehow you know
This is the beginning
Of all you have longed for,
A love you can build on,
A love that will grow...

Once in a lifetime
To those who are lucky,
A miracle happens
And dreams all come true - -
I know it can happen,
It happened to me,
For I've found
My "once in a lifetime"
with you

My True - Love Hath My Heart

My True Love hath my heart, and I have his,
By just exchange one to the other given:
I hold his dear, and mine he cannot miss,
There never was a better bargain driven:
My true love hath my heart, and I have his.

His heart in me keeps him and me in one;
My heart in him his thoughts and senses guides:
He loves my heart, for once it was his own;
I cherish his because in me it bides:
My true love hath my heart, and I have his.

Sir Philip Sidney

A Love Of My Own

I would rather have someone to love me,
Aspirit my heart could embrace
Than to have all the gold in the mountains;
Such treasures cannot take the place
Of a love which would always be faithful,
Asomeone who really would care,
Who'd be part of my joys and my sorrows,
My secrets and struggles to share.

I wish I had someone to love me,
Aheart to whom love I could give,
For then I would welcome tomorrow
As love offers reason to live.
I need to have someone to love me,
Asomeone whom I could love, too.
Out of all of the world's lonely people,
Could my special someone - be you?

You are Worthy

Do not undermine your worth by comparing yourself with others.
It is because we are different that each of us is special.
Do not set your goals by what other people deem important.
Only you know what is best for you.
Do not take for granted the things closest to your heart.
Cling to them as you would your life, for without them, life is
meaningless.
Do not let your life slip through your fingers
by living in the past nor for the future.
By living your life one day at a time,
you live all the days of your life.
Do not give up when you still have something to give.
Nothing is really over until the moment you stop trying.
It is a fragile thread that binds us to each other.
Do not be afraid to encounter risks.
It is by taking chances that we learn how to be brave.
Do not shut love out of your life by saying it is impossible to find.
The quickest way to receive love is to give love;
The fastest way to lose love is too hold it too tightly;
In addition, the best way to keep love is to give it wings.
Do not dismiss your dreams.
To be without dreams is to be without hope;
To be without hope is to be without purpose.
Do not run through life so fast that you forget not only
where you have been, but also where you are going.
Life is not a race, but a journey to be savored each step of the way.

(Name)
The Love Of My Life

You are my love
You understand all my thoughts
You understand whatever I do
You are fun
You are exciting
You are strong
You are gentle
You are intelligent
You are honest
You are sensitive
You are creative
You are the person that
I trust my life with
and whom I always want to be with
You are my love

You're The One For Me

You're the one for me.
Your eyes are like fire on a cold winter's day
Your soul burns within me
Your touch blossoms my innermost passions
And your voice melts my heart.

You're the one for me.
You are the key to unlocking
My most sacred fantasies.
You're the one for me,
The one that wakens me
When I'm at my deepest sleep
With your passionate ways,
The one that rivets me with
Your beautiful, unique face.

You're the one for me.
You are the one that I want to share
My life, my love with for all eternity.
I will love you always and forever.

You're the one for me.

I Love You 1

I have a slight, small problem,
And you fix it right away.
Time after time I need you
And you're there, day after day.

When I'm sad and lonely,
You're always by my side.
For when I am around you
My feelings don't have to hide.

Thank you for your caring,
Thank you for your love.
You're so good to me
Like an angel from above.

Please don't ever leave my side,
Oh what would I do?
How to carry my life on,
I didn't have a clue.

What I'm trying to say,
Baby, I love you.

I Love You 2

With my eyes I can see
That our love was meant to be
Touching your hair
Whisper, I do care
Come and let me hold you in my arms
And let nobody do any harm.
I don't know where to start
Cause there are so many things
I want to tell you from my heart
I love you that is true
Don't doubt about it.
Even in my dreams I can hear your sound,
And baby I'll never let you down.
I can't help myself
I love you
And nobody else

Paradise

Let's take a trip to paradise
Just you and me
We will take in all the beauty
And sit beneath the palm trees

We will remember this moment
All of our life
And look back on these memories
Through all the years we are husband and wife

Our love will always blossom
It will open up and bloom
Every day is paradise
That I can spend with you

If we were not together
There would be no paradise
Because we can only see this beauty
When we look into each others eyes

Still

If the sun ever fails to rise,
If the stars ever fail to fill the sky,
If the moon ever fails to return,
I'll still be here loving you.

If the ocean dries up,
If the rivers disappear,
If the earth just vanished,
I'll still cherish you.

You've helped me grow.
You've been here for me through everything.
You've shown me that you care.

You are my sun, my stars, and my moon.
I owe you everything. plus some.
I cherish you and the love you have.

If the sun ever fails to rise.
If the stars fail to fill the sky.
If the moon ever fails to return.
I will still treasure you.

Crazy In Love

I'm crazy for you
And you should know
That I'll always hold onto you
And I'll never let you go

Because you're the one I love
You make my feelings so real
I'll always need you
Cause that's the way I feel

You make me smile
When I frown
You make me laugh
When I'm let down

See all this just goes to show
That I'll love you
And care for you
Till we both grow old

Wish Upon A Star

Star light star bright
Let me love you
With all my might

I'll make your wishes
All come true
I want to say
I love you

Just make a wish
Your wish I'll try to grant
Tell me that you love me
And take me by the hand

When I make my wish for us
I will find a star so high
Then send our love shooting
All across the sky

Ever Since My Childhood

Ever since my childhood,
I've always looked to you for love
and reassurance and
a comforting hug.

Ever since my childhood,
I've always found in you the warmth
and generosity I always
hoped I would possess myself.

Ever since my childhood,
I've admired you, respected you,
wanted to be like you, and
always, always loved you.

Will You Love Me When I'm Old?

Life's morn will soon be waning,
And it's evening bells be tolled,
But my heart shall know no sadness,
If you'll love me when I'm old.

Down the stream of life together
We are sailing side by side,
Hoping some bright day to anchor
Safe beyond the surging tide.
Today our sky is cloudless,
But the night may clouds unfold;
But though storms may gather round us,
I know you'll love me when I'm old.

(Name) 1

There's a special place in my heart
that only you can touch -
a place where I can go and feel you near.
Throughout the day I think of you.
I see your smile, hear your voice
and in my thoughts you lovingly appear.
The way we love each other
makes it hard to be apart
so when I can't hold you in my arms,
I hold you in my heart.

Always and Forever
I love you.

(Name) 2

I'm going to try to speak the words
that my heart wants you to know
I want you to see what you
mean to me and why I love you so.
Nobody else can know my thoughts
and touch my soul like you can
No one can melt my heart like
you do simply by holding my hand.
With a loving glance or a tender kiss
you make my cares disappear
Warm thoughts of you surround me
and always keep you near.
I need nothing more from you than this-
to know that you'll always be mine
And the promise of your love in my life-
until the end of time.

Always and Forever
Love,

Until There Was You

Until there was you
I walked the earth alone
No hand to hold in mine
My heart was all my own

Until there was you
True love was just a dream
Dreams of wonder and tears
Dreams of hope and fears

Until there was you
My life had no direction
A road of uncertainty
But now we have a journey
Together you and me

So I thank my lucky stars
And God from the heavens above
For my heart and soul could never
Feel the impact of true love
Until there was you....

My Special Rainbow

The colors of the rainbow
With their beauty and divine
Are like the colors in my heart
When you say you will be mine

I love to hear those words
I can never hear them enough
Say them to me once again
And give me all your love

Your love is my rainbow
It shines in your eyes
Every time you look at me
The rainbow starts to shine

The gift that awaits
At the end of my rainbow
Is the love you give to me
You are my pot of gold

My Love

Since time began it was meant to be,
my heart forever tied to thee.

In life and love eternally, sweet
moments shared with thee.

Alas, a love that cannot be and yet,
I feel so close to thee.

How bittersweet is the need to touch
and hold and comfort thee.

Oh sweet love! My soul will be
forever captured by thee.

A Rose For You

A rose grows on a vine,
Like my love grows for you.
A rose is so divine,
And you are too.
But you are beautiful
In many different ways,
And a rose just a few.
What I am trying to say
Is I love you.

I want to be your friend

I want to be your friend
for ever and ever.
When the hills are flat
and rivers are all dry,
when the trees blossom in winter
and the snow falls in summer,
when heaven and earth mix -
not till then will I part from you.

The Yuch-Fu

Friendship

It's something no one can replace.
It's also something of true grace.
When sometimes things don't go
your way, your friends will be there,
come what may come.
They'll always find it in their hearts,
to forgive and do their part.
To trust and always have
hope and faith,
There are few things on this
earth so great.
So treasure friendship
from the start.
And hope that it will not depart.
For it will always bring a smile,
this special friendship makes life
worthwhile.

I'm Glad We Are Friends

Come to me my friend
My arms are open wide
I have waited for so long
For you to step inside

I will help you through troubles
I will never let you down
My life has completely changed
Since you have been around

You make my days seem brighter
You put sunshine into every day
I am so glad we are friends
It will always be this way

I have allot of friends
But you are the best
I'm glad you are in my life
You out do all the rest

Friends

There are many things
I hold dear.
Things I value and
things I love.
Your friendship is
something I will always
treasure. Our time together
is special and dear
I am now and shall
always be your friend.

It's Nice To Know Someone As Special As You

Thinking very specially
of the thoughtfulness
you show,
Thinking of the joy
you bring
to everyone you know,
And wishing words
could say how much
it means the whole year through
Just to know someone as dear
and wonderful as you!

My Special Friends

It takes many special qualities
To make a friend like you,
A lot of care and kindness
And understanding, too...
It takes a special kind of love
That seems to know no end
And the thoughtfulness and patience
Of a true and trusted friend...
It takes many special qualities
To make a friend like you,
And that's why you
Are loved so much
Today and all year through.

True Friends

There are many people
That we meet in our lives.
But only a very few
Will make a lasting impression
On our minds and hearts.

It is these people
That we will think of often,
And who will always remain
Important to us as...

True Friends!

Special Person

Some people have that special touch,
they put your cares at ease.
They know just what to say and do
to comfort and to please.
They're kind and very thoughtful,
they're quick to understand.
Whenever someone needs them,
they lend a helping hand.
our world is such a better place,
and happier by far,
because there are some people...
as special as you are!

Secret Pal

We all need each other,
To help us along the way.
Someone to pray for us,
Each and every day.
Someone who will be thinking
And wishing you good cheer,
In thought; in mind and deed,
Your Pal is always near.
You're special to my heart you know,
And everywhere you go...
Your Secret Pal goes with you,
Through rain, through sleet or snow.
Each day I pray and wish for you,
Your dreams to all come true.
Good health, Long life and Happiness;
This wish I wish for you.

Future Begins

Graduation...

It is both an ending and a beginning,
a sunset and a sunrise...

It is a gateway from the past,
with all its memories,
to the future, with all its possibilities.

It is the threshold to a new time in life..
a time to recognize all that you've accomplished;
a time to set and achieve new goals;
a time to make all your dreams a reality.

There is an immense world out there with
unlimited opportunities just waiting for you.
May your life be filled with success and happiness.

A Special Graduation Wish

God has truly blessed
you with unique talents and abilities.

And you have used
His gifts extremely well.

Your positive attitude,
your willingness to try new things,
Your dedication, and your caring ways-
All this shows just how much you've done.

With His gifts...

Today as you celebrate your accomplishments,
Remember that you are an important
part of God's wonderful plan.

Keep Your Dream Alive

Now is a time for you to celebrate...the accomplishment of dreams you have worked so hard to realize. You have shown so many people how special you are.

Now is the time to begin to pursue the next path, to reach out for the next star, and to achieve the things that are so important to you.

Always keep
your dreams alive.

And keep them coming true.

You Can Go as Far as Your Dreams Can Take You

If you can reach out, you can hold on.

If you can imagine, you can achieve.

If you just begin, you can continue.

Search within, and you'll find a reason to believe...

If you can get involved, you can make it happen.

If you can give, you will be rewarded with the taking.

If you can climb, you can climb even higher.

Envision it; your success is in the making.

If you trust the winner within you, you will win.

If you can keep your courage, you will go so far.

If you follow your ambitions, your course will guide you toward a ladder that you can climb to your stars.

If you don't put limits on yourself,
you can always keep striving.

You might amaze yourself with what
you discover you can do.

If you want to reach out for happiness,
don't ever forget these words:

You can go as far as your dreams can take you.

As You Graduate

Name

The highest goal has not yet been achieved.

The greatest idea has not been conceived.

The loftiest honor has not been received.

The laurels are yours for the winning!

The sweetest melody hasn't been sung.

The swiftest race has yet to be run.

The noblest victory hasn't been won,

Make this your bright beginning.

An Angel

A man on the street is pointing up to the sky.
"Look, An Angel!" he yells.

Passersby laugh.
"You fool. That is only a cloud".

How wonderful it would be to see angels
where there are only clouds.

How sad it would be to see only clouds
where there are angels.

Angel Wings

Angel wings lifting high,
taking prayer to God for you and I.
Whispers of rustling around the throne.
Angel thoughts how they've grown.
Always eager to protect and guard,
Watching over us like children, in the yard.
Angel voices soft and sweet,
Cast each prayer at our Savior's feet.
Is that a brush of an Angel's wing I feel?
While in prayer I reverently kneel.
Hovering right by my side,
Bringing God instructions, to gently guide.
These heavenly beings full of light,
Truly miracles in flight.
Angels, angels all around,
From here to heaven they abound.
Sit quietly and listen for them to speak
If it is wisdom you truly seek.
Once again I kneel and pray,
for friends and loved one in need today.
Angels to heaven quickly fly,
Watching over you and I.

Angels 1

When Angels sense you need them,
And angels always do
They come, unseen, from everywhere
to help and comfort you.

They hover close beside you
'till all your cares are gone,
'Till they can see you're ready
once again to carry on.

Then some of them may fly away
and take their gentle touch
To other hearts that need the love
of angels very much.

But one, at least, stays with you
as your constant friend and guide,
For Guardian Angels never leave,
They're always at your side.

Angels 2

Oh what tragedies would befall us
if not for the watchful eye
of an angel!

These heavenly messengers
are God's gift
of divine love and protection

"He will command His angels
concerning you to guard you carefully,
they will lift you up
in their hand, so that
you will not strike your foot
against a stone."

Luke 4:10,11

Guardian Angel

Guardian angel you are God's gift to me
With your help one day His face I will see.
He created you not to walk this earth
But to guide me through to my rebirth.
In being born again I will come to understand
That I too am a part of God's divine plan.
In His will I will learn to live and reside
Thankful that you are always at my side...

Guardian Angels

Guardian angel you have the
beauty of a heavenly soul
You watch over us from birth 'till we are old.
You silently observe all the action of every day
You are there too when we kneel to pray.

God has ordained a helper for you to be
To bring us back for his face to see.

Our consciousness is our means of awareness of you
Believing in what God has said to be true.

With faith we will be able to receive our reward
And that is to one day come to rest in heaven,
with you and the lord...

A Special Teacher

When I started in school,
This day seemed so far away.

Now it's here and I can't believe
That time has passed so quickly...

But through your encouragement and guidance,
I feel I'm ready for tomorrow's challenges.

Teachers play such an important part
in shaping and guiding..
Especially teacher like you, (Name).
Thank you for caring so much.

A Teacher

Someone who is wise...
Who cares about the students
And wears no disguise;
But is honest and open,
And shares from the heart,
Not just lessons from books,
But life where you are;
A teacher takes time
To help and tutor,
With english or math,
Or on a computer.
It's someone who's patient,
Even in stress;
Who never gives less
Than the very best!

A Very Special Teacher

Words don't really do justice
to the thanks I want to
say to you.

But I want you to know that
I feel so fortunate that my child
had a teacher as wonderful as you...

It seems that there are very few people
in any walk of life
who care as much about their work
as you do,
and who translate that caring into
action and guidance and understanding.
I know that the lessons my child learned --
not only in your classroom, but also by
your example -- will help in years to come.

Thanks for your time and for all the
encouragement you've given.

You're more than just a teacher,
you are a very special one.

Teachers

Paint their minds
and guide their thoughts
Share their achievements
and advise their faults

Inspire a Love
of knowledge and truth
As you light the path
Which leads our youth

For our future brightens
with each lesson you teach
Each smile you lengthen
Each goal you help reach

For the dawn of each poet
each philosopher and king
Begins with a Teacher
And the wisdom they bring

Teacher's Prayer 1

Lord,

Enable me to teach with WISDOM

For I help to shape the mind.

Equip me to teach with TRUTH,

For I help to shape the conscience.

Encourage me to teach with VISION,

For I help to shape the future.

Empower me to teach with Love,

For I help to Shape the world.

Teacher's Prayer 2

Lord, Please help me,

To strengthen their voices,

bodies and minds,

To express their feelings and

control them sometimes,

To explore what's near

and venture afar,

But most important to love

who they are.

Why God Made Teachers

When God created teachers,
He gave us special friends
To help us understand His world
And truly comprehend
The beauty and the wonder
Of everything we see,
And become a better person
With each discovery
When God created teachers,
He gave us special guides
To show us ways in which to grow
So we can all decide
How to live and how to do
What's right instead of wrong,
To lead us so that we can lead
And learn how to be strong,
Why God created teachers,
In His wisdom and His grace,
Was to help us learn to make our world
A better and wiser place.

I Am A Principal

Dear Lord,
as I travel to my school today,
I ask for your guidance to show me the way.
For I am a Principal
in charge of (School Name)
who nurtures, inspires, through your Golden Rule,
to help all the teachers, their students as well
from the 1st class at morning,
to the last sounding bell.
Help those who need me,
to give understanding,
for patience and love for those more demanding.
Help me to lead, inspire and guide,
make our school shine with your love and your
pride.
For I am a Principal,
who helps those down the road!
I thank you for your blessings,
which you have bestowed!

A Sunday School Teacher

The Sunday School Teacher
is an important part of the Christian ministry.

Devoted to the Children of God,
and teaching of the Bible.

The lessons are prepared to feed the class
on God's Holy Word.

The teachings of the Church
are taught so that the class may grow in grace,
to bear fruit in fellowship, and witnessing.

The teacher is always a friend
and counselor in time of need.

He will not be surprised at your
sins, nor will he judge you in them,
but he always invites you to share with him,

the wisdom and love of God,
the knowledge of forgiveness of sins,
and the saving grace of

God in Christ Jesus, our Lord.

A Marriage Prayer

Lord, help us to remember when we first met and the strong love that grew between us. To work that love into practical things so nothing can divide us. We ask for words both kind and loving, and for hearts always ready to ask forgiveness as well as to forgive. Dear Lord, we put our marriage into your hands.

Amen

A Wedding Prayer

May the pathway you've chosen to travel through life,
Together forever
as husband and wife,
Be bordered with blessings
each step of the way
And paved with bright dreams
coming true every day....

Happy Anniversary

How beautiful is the union
that stands the test of time,
growing in strength and unity
of heart and soul and mind.

Celebrate this day in joy,
may your hearts beat as one.
With love and understanding,
the best is yet to come.

On Your ##th Wedding Anniversary

You have come a long, long way together...

You have walked in sunshine
And in shadows.

You have faced life's storms
And shared the rainbows.

You've climbed your mountains,
Dreamed your dreams

Faced your fears,

Cried your tears, and sung your songs,
And reached for the stars.

You've done it all with faith
And love together.

As you journey on to find tomorrow,
Go with love...

And always, go with God.

Twenty Fifth Anniversary

Two hearts beating together as one,
a loving touch when day is done,
laughter and sunshine, challenges and tears,
these are the things making twenty-five years.
With great hope look forward to what will be,
believing and trusting faithfully,
whatever tomorrow may hold.
It is through the magic of true love,
that silver is spun into gold.

50th Anniversary

What is a marriage of fifty years?
An ocean of laughter, a river of tears.
It's quilt handstitched by Father Time
on fabric of reason with patches of rhyme.
It's rare moments so poignant that they lodge in the
soul,
it's just every day living being happy is the goal.
It's speaking to each other using only the eyes,
It's knowing when to compromise.
It's sharing a love that never grows old.
Congratulations you two, on winning the gold.

To my (Parents) (Mom) or (Dad)
daughter

Wedding Date

As I walk down the aisle,
Don't think it's the end,
You're not losing a daughter
but gaining a friend.

As I'm walked up the altar,
There's a tear in your eye,
But happiness blinds me,
And I don't see you cry.

I want you to know,
Though my new life's begun,
That you still have your Daughter,
And now, a new Son.

To my (Parents) (Mom) or (Dad)
son

Wedding Date

As I walk down the aisle,
Don't think it's the end,
You're not losing your son
but gaining a friend.

As I stand at the altar
There's a tear in your eye,
But happiness blinds me
And I don't see you cry.

I want you to know,
Though my new life's begun,
That I'm now a new Husband,
But I'll always be your Son.

To My Best Man

You've always offered encouragement and loyalty.

You've been a trusted friend through the years
and we've had lots of good times.

Now you're here on this important day in my life.

You're here to stand up with me
as I begin a new life as a married man.

Thanks for sharing your time and your friendship
and for really being The Best Man

Thanks for everything.

To My Bridesmaid

You have always offered friendship,
understanding and trust.

Together we've talked, laughed and cried.

You offered encouragement
during the difficult moments and
laughter and joy during the best times.

Now you are here with me
on this happiest of days.

Thank you for sharing your time
and your love with me.

Thank you for being so dear a friend.

To My Maid of Honor

On this special day you stand
as my Maid of Honor.

We share this day as we have
shared so many others together.

You have always been a source of
understanding, trust and joy
in my life. A true friend.
You hold a special place in my heart.

Thank you for your time and
love on this day as always.

Thank you for being
such a cherished friend.

To My Matron of Honor

On this special day you
stand as my Matron of Honor.

We share this day as we have
shared so many others together.

You have always been a source of
understanding, trust and joy
in my life. A true friend.

You hold a special place in my heart.
Thank you for your time and
love on this day as always.

Thank you for being
such a cherished friend.

To Our Flower Girl

Our Flower Girl so sweet and small
Your role is important, after all.
You carry flowers this special day.
You're the girl who leads the way.

You'll be so lovely all will see
Just how precious you will be.
Our Flower Girl we chose with pride
To walk the aisle before the bride.

Thank you for being such
an important part of our wedding!

To Our Ring Bearer

We chose you for this duty
Knowing you would be
The perfect boy to do the job
And how grown up you'd be.

On our wedding day as we marry,
You look handsome in wedding array
We are proud that you will carry
The rings we exchange today.

Thank you for being such
an important part of our wedding!

(Name)

This Day I Married My Friend

This day I married my friend.

The one I laugh with as
we share life's wondrous zest
As we find new enjoyments
and experience all that's best.

The one I live for because
the world seems brighter.

As our happy times are better
and our burdens feel much lighter.

The one I love with every fiber of my soul.

We used to feel vaguely incomplete,
now together we are whole.

You Make Our Family Special

In every family, there's one person who cares the most
and does the most for everyone else....

in our family, that person is you....

Somehow, you always have time to do those caring
things other people only wish they had done.

Somehow, you always know all about those difficult things
other people only try to understand.

Somehow, you're always there, putting aside your
own problems to deal with someone else's.

I shouldn't count on you so much
but it's very hard not to...

no matter where I might go in this world,
there will always be times when the only place

I'll want to be is right there with you.

Why God Made Little Boys

God made a world out of his dreams,
Majestic mountains and restless seas,
Prairies and wooded land.
Then paused and said, "It needs one more thing --
Someone to stand on top of the mountains
To conquer the seas, explore the prairies
And climb the trees.
So God created little boys
Full of spirit and to explore and conquer
To romp and run with dirty faces, banged up chins
With courageous hearts and boyish grins.
And when he'd completed
The task he'd begun,
He was pleased and proud
Of the job he'd done,
For the dearest joys
Of heaven above can all be found
In a little boy's love.

Why God Made Little Girls

God made the world with its towering trees,
Majestic mountains and restless seas,
Then paused and said, "It needs one more thing --
Someone to laugh and dance and sing,
To walk in the woods and gather flowers,
To commune with nature in quiet hours."
So God created little girls
With laughing eyes and bouncing curls,
With joyful hearts
And infectious smiles,
Enchanting ways and feminine wiles.
And when he'd completed
The task he'd begun,
He was pleased and proud
Of the job he'd done,
For the dearest joys
Of heaven above can all be found
In a little girl's love.

Little Eyes

There are little eyes upon you, and they're
watching night and day; There are little ears that
quickly take in every word you say;

There are little hands all eager to do anything
you do; And a little boy who's dreaming of the day
he'll be like you. You're the little fellow's idol,

You're the wisest of the wise,

In his little mind about you, No suspicions ever rise;

He believes in you devoutly, Hold that all you
say and do, he will say and do in your way.

When he's a grown-up like you,

There's a wide-eyed little fellow,
who believes you're always right,

And his ears are always open, And he watches day
and night; You are setting an example

Every day in all you do, For the little boy who's
waiting To grow up and be like you.

(We have it for a girl or both)

Fingerprints

Sometimes you get discouraged,
because I am so small

And leave my little fingerprints
On furniture and walls.

But everyday I'm growing
And soon will be so tall

That all these little fingerprints
Will be difficult to recall.

So here's a little handprint

That you can put away

So you will know how my fingers looked
On this special day.

Dear First Born

We've always loved you.
The best because you were our first miracle.
You were the genesis of a marriage
and the fulfillment of our love.
You sustained us through the hamburger years,
our first apartment and the furniture
we paid on for 36 months.
You were new, had unused grandparents
and more clothes than a Barbie Doll.
You were the original model
for proud parents who were
try to work the bugs out.
You got the strained food, the opened safety pin
and the three-hour naps.
"You were the beginning."

To The Middle Child

We've always loved you.
The best because you drew
a tough spot in the family
and it made you stronger for it.
You cried less, had more patience,
wore faded hand me downs,
and never in your life did anything first.
But it only made you more special.
You were the one we relaxed with and realized a dog
could kiss you and you wouldn't get sick.
You could cross a street by yourself long before
you were old enough to get married.
And you helped us understand the world
wouldn't collapse if you went to bed with dirty feet.
You were a child of our ambitious years.
Without you we never could have
survived the change that is a marriage.

To The Baby

We've always loved you.
The best because while endings
are generally sad, you were such joy.
You readily accepted the milk-stained bibs,
the hand me down toys
and the baby book that had nothing written in
it except a recipe jammed between the pages.
You are the one we held on to so tightly.
You are the link with our past that gives a reason for tomorrow.
You have darkened our hair,
quickened our steps, restored our vision
and gave us a sense of humor that security, maturity
and durability can't provide.
When your children are grown and your hair has grayed,
You'll still be "Our Baby"
You were the Culmination

Our First Child

*Oh how we planned and waited
For the moment of your birth
Of all our little miracles
You were the very first*

*The first to hold, to raise, to love
And fill our days with fun
From your first tooth to your first steps
We counted memories one by one*

*The years passed by so quickly
And soon we realized
Dear first born, you were growing up
Right before our eyes*

*We have cherished every moment
And we wanted you to know
You have brought real joy into our lives
And we love you so*

Our Middle Child

*You were the second to be born
How proud we were of you
You were the answer to our prayers
A special dream come true*

*And from that moment forward
You have made life so much fun
You have filled our lives with happiness
And kept us on the run*

*And for these special memories
We have thanked the Lord above
For giving us a middle child
To hold, to raise, to love*

*We have cherished every moment
And we wanted you to know
You have brought real joy into our lives
And we love you so*

Our Youngest Child

*You were a tiny blessing
We could not wait to meet
A miracle from God above
To make our family complete*

*And oh how you were pampered
And spoiled right from the start
As the youngest of the family
Loved with all our hearts*

*And every day, dear youngest
From the dawn to setting sun
We've considered you a special gift
And counted memories one by one*

*We have cherished every moment
And we wanted you to know
You have brought real joy into our lives
And we love you so*

A Baby is a Miracle

This little tiny baby
Was sent from God above
To fill our hearts with happiness
And touch our lives with love
He must have known
We'd give our all
And always do our best
To give our precious baby love
And be grateful and so blessed

Babies

Babies are Angels
that fly to the earth,
their wings disappear
at the time of their birth

one look in their eyes
and we're never the same

They're part of us now
and that part has a name

That part is your heart
and a bond that won't sever

our Babies are Angels,
we love them forever.

Baby

When a baby enters this world,
into your life

A baby can make you forget your
worries and strife.

It really doesn't matter whether
it's a girl or a boy

A baby will melt your heart and bring you joy!

So shower a baby with love,
every single day.

Show a baby you truly care-
there's so many ways.

For with a blink of an eye, time
will fly out the door-

and your precious baby, won't
be a baby anymore!!

A Christening Prayer

(Child's name can be placed here)

Welcome, precious little child
So fresh from God above
Christened today in Jesus' name,
Held in His arms of love.

May angels guide your tiny feet
And bring you smiles to wear,
And may our Heavenly Father
Always keep you in His care.

As Your Baby Is Christened

May your child
Have the help and guidance of faith
That will always increase
And grow up in a world
That's blessed with happiness and peace.
God Bless (Name) always!

Christening

Baby's Name
Christening Date

On Your Christening Day

A child is a soul the Lord
Lends to the earth.
To be nurtured in faith.
From the moment of birth.

A child to enjoy
As a gift from above,
To be Christened with water,
And brought up with love.

(Name)'s Confirmation Day

God bless you and be near you
On your day of Confirmation-
God bless you with the special gift
Of faith and inspiration,
God bless you with a happiness
That lasts your whole life through-
The kind of happiness we've known
Since God blessed us with You.

My 1st Communion Day

(Name)

(Date)

He took bread in His sacred hands,
Blessed it and gave it to His disciples saying...
"Take this, all of you, and eat it
This is my body which will be given up to you.
Do this in memory of me."

God Bless You On Your First Communion Day

My First Communion Day

(Name)

(Date)

Jesus said... "I am the bread of life.
Whoever comes to me will never be hungry,
And whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."
~ John 6:35

May the love of Jesus Christ be with you,
Guiding you every day of your life.

God Bless You On Your Confirmation Day

(Name)

(Date)

"When you send forth your Spirit, they are
created,
and you renew the face of the earth"
~ Psalm 104:30

May the strength of the Holy Spirit be with you,
guiding you every day of your life.

Alternative Verses:

"I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness,
but will have the light of life."
~ John 8:12

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you.
I do not give to you as the world gives.
Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be
afraid."
~ John 14:27

Birthdays are Special

Birthdays should be a special time
as everyone should know.

It means living another year of living
another year to grow.

Birthdays should be a special time
for each to then reflect,

On the past and on the present
and what the future might expect.

Birthdays should be a special time
for [Name] to start anew,

Setting goals and working to make
each and every dream come true.

The (Last Name) Family Or Our Family

Our family is a circle
of strength and love.

With every birth and every
union, the circle grows.

Every joy shared adds more love.

Every crisis faced together
make the circle stronger.

Welcome To Our Family!

Happy Home Recipe

4 cups of love
5 cups of hope
4 qt.. of faith
2 cups of joy
3 cups of kindness
1 cups of forgiving
1 cup of friendship
2 tsp. of tenderness
6 tbs. laughter

Take love and hope,
Mix it thoroughly with faith.
Blend it with joy,
Kindness and forgiving.
Add friendship and tenderness,
Sprinkle it with laughter.
Bake it with sunshine.

(Name)'s Kitchen Prayer

God bless my little kitchen,
I love it's every nook.
And bless me as I do my work,
Wash pots and pans and cook.

And may the meals that I prepare
Be seasoned from above,
With Thy great blessing
And Thy grace,
But most of all Thy Love.

Bless The (last name) House

Bless this house dear Lord above,
with happiness and with Thy Love.

Bless the door that opens wide,
to the warmth that dwells inside.

Touch the windows with Thy light,
be it's comfort in the night.

Grant it peace and sweet accord,
make this house Thy home dear Lord.

The (last name) Family

245 Center Street

May your home be filled with joy,
days of happiness and love.

May each year bring to you and yours
new blessings from above.

May family and friends who gather there
fill the rooms with laughter and cheer
creating memories that grow more treasured
with every passing year

If A Child....

- If a child lives with criticism,
he learns to condemn.
- If a child lives with hostility,
he learns to fight.
- If a child lives with ridicule,
he learns to be shy.
- If a child lives with shame,
he learns to feel guilty.
- If a child lives with tolerance,
he learns to be patient.
- If a child lives with encouragement,
he learns confidence.
- If a child lives with praise,
he learns to appreciate.
- If a child lives with fairness,
he learns justice.
- If a child lives with security,
he learns to have faith.
- If a child lives with approval,
he learns to like himself.
- If a child lives with acceptance and friendship,
He learns to find love in the world.

The Fence

There was a little boy with a bad temper. His father gave him a bag of nails and told him that every time he lost his temper, to hammer a nail in the back fence.

The first day the boy had driven 37 nails into the fence. Then it gradually dwindled down. He discovered it was easier to hold his temper than to drive those nails into the fence. Finally the day came when the boy didn't lose his temper at all. He told his father about it and the father suggested that the boy now pull out one nail for each day that he was able to hold his temper. The days passed and the young boy was finally able to tell his father that all the nails were gone. The father took his son by the hand and led him to the fence. He said, You have done well, my son, but look at the holes in the fence. The fence will never be the same. When you say things in anger, they leave a scar just like this one. You can put a knife in a man and draw it out. It won't matter how many times you say I'm sorry, the wound is still there. A verbal wound is as bad as a physical one.

Friends are a very rare jewel, indeed. They make you smile and encourage you to succeed. They lend an ear, they share a word of praise, and they always want to open their hearts to us.

Show your friends how much you care.

Deputy Sheriff's Prayer
Or
Policeman's Prayer

When I start my tour of duty God,
wherever crime may be
As I walk the darkened streets alone

Please give me understanding
with both the young and old.
Let me listen with attention
until their story's told

Let me never make a judgment
in a rash or callous way
But let me hold my patience,
let each man have his say.

Lord if some dark and dreary night,
I must give my life,
Lord with your everlasting love
protect my children and my wife.

Or
Protect my family from all strife.

A Police Officer's Prayer

Lord, I ask for courage
Courage to face and conquer my own fears.
Courage to take me where other will not go.

I ask for strength
strength of body to protect others,
And strength of spirit to lead others.

I ask for dedication
Dedication to my job, to do it well,
Dedication to my community, to keep it safe.

Give me, Lord, concern for those who trust me,
And compassion for those who need me.
And please, Lord, through it all,
Be at my side.

A Police Officer's Wife

A special kind of woman, a cut above the rest,
The wife of a police officer, you rate her as the best.
How many goodbyes are whispered,
joined with a fond embrace?
As duty steals her man, for the danger he must face,
How often have meals been ruined -
or tender moments disturbed,
By a call for special duty, sparking loyalty answered?
It's a devil of a job, for an angel like this
Who, for the love of this man, gets no good night kiss.
She can run the lawnmower and paint a room in need,
How she can stretch a dollar is a miracle indeed.
She's mother, lover, chauffeur and nurse,
A living symbol of the phrase "for better or for worse."
Rich is the man, reaping his rewards in life,
Who chose to be her other half.
The Police Officer's Wife

A Firefighter's Prayer

When I am called to duty, God,
wherever flames may rage,
Give me the strength to save life,
whatever be it's age.

Help me to embrace a little child before it's too late,
Or save an older person from the horror of the fate.

Enable me to be alert and hear the weakest shout,
And quickly and efficiently to put the fire out.

I want to fill my calling and to give the best of me,
To guard my every neighbor
and protect their property.

And if according to your will I have to lose my life,
Please bless with your protecting hand
My children and my wife.

Or
My Family

A Fireman's Prayer

Lord I hear that siren once again and I know what I must do.
So I pray that you'll watch over me, I have great faith in you.

As I rush toward the smoky scene, my thoughts are not of
me, but of the chaos and destruction that I know that I will see.

I pray dear Lord that you'll give me strength
as the flames come in to sight.

I need you to be by my side, when I begin my fight.

As I prepare to fight the blaze, I pray that all's not lost,
I know I must put out the flames no matter what the cost.

Please Lord let me save a life, if someone's trapped
inside, Lord give me time to get them out,

I pray I hear their cries.

I know I feel your presence Lord
amongst the screams and shouts,
there's a sense of peace that fills the air,
each time the flame goes out.

I thank you Lord for protecting me until the fire reached
it's end and I pray that you'll be there once
more when that siren sounds again.

A Firefighter's Wife

A special kind of woman, a cut above the rest,
That's a Firefighter's wife, rating her among the best.
How many goodbyes are shouted, without a fond embrace,
As duty steals her man, for the danger he must face.
How many meals are ruined or tender moments disturbed,
By the wail of a distant signal, sparking loyalty answered.

It's a devil of a job, for an angel like this,
Who, for the love of this man, must forsake that kiss.
She can run a garden tractor; even paint a room in need,
How she can stretch a dollar is a miracle indeed.

She's mother, lover, chauffeur and nurse,
A living symbol of "for better or for worse."

Rich is the man, reaping his rewards in life,
Who chose her as his other half -

A Firefighter's Wife.

A Nurse's Prayer

Let me dedicate my life today
to the care of those
who come my way.

Let me touch each one
with healing hand
and gentle art
for which I stand.

And then tonight
when day is done,
O let me rest in peace
if I helped just one...

The Nurse's Prayer

To be a nurse requires dedication
Years of study and preparation,
I pray for guidance and humbly ask
That I will do well at this chosen task.
When illness strikes or pain demands
And a life is placed within my hands,
Please give me compassion, knowledge and skill
To do the things that comfort and heal.
Suffering makes patients' fears grow worse
And they seek reassurance from their nurse.
Help me see things from their point of view
And always to know what is best to do.
May I have a part, in some small way
In restoring good health to someone today.

E.M.T.'s Prayer

God . . . grant me the ability to give
Emergency Care.

With skillful hands, knowledgeable mind,
and tender love and care.

Help me deal with everything,
when lives are on the line.

To see the worst, administer aid,
and ease a worried mind.

So help me, as I go today,
accept what fate may be.

Touch these hands, use this
mind, help this E.M.T.

Amen

EMT Prayer 2

LORD,

Grant me the wisdom so that I may treat
those of your children that lay at my feet.

Let my hands be gentle, sure and swift
to impart to them your sacred gift.

Let me see only a patient's need
not their color, race or creed.

Help me always to be my best
even when it's on my hours rest.

Grant me the insight to understand why
patients of mine are going to die.

Let me remember that when they do
there is a wonderful life in Heaven with You.

Lord, if in the time of duty I should fall
help my family to hold their heads tall.
For it was You who decided that I should be
one of your chosen few, an EMT

EMT - Paramedic

Sorry if we woke you in the middle of the night
But someone in your neighborhood is fighting for his life.
Sorry if we block the road and make you turn around,
But there's been a bad wreck with dying children on the ground.
When you see us coming you'll understand
Let us have the right-of-way - someone needs a helping hand
Sometimes a child is choking, sometimes a broken leg.
Sometimes a heart stops beating,
and when we get there it's too late.
So if you see us crying when we think we're alone
You'll know we had a "bad" one and we're feeling mighty down.
We don't do it for the money -- you know we don't get paid.
We don't do it for the glory but for a life that might be saved.
Somewhere deep within us our souls are crying out
"We're here to help our neighbors in
their hour of pain and doubt."
God gave us something special to help us see you through
We do it 'cause we love you, and we care about you too.

Paramedic/EMS Prayer

As I perform my duty Lord

Whatever be the call, Help to guide and
Keep me safe from danger big and small

I want to serve and do my best

No matter what the scene, I pledge to keep
My skills refined, my judgment quick and keen.
This calling to give of myself most do not
understand.

But I stand ready all the time to help my fellow
man.

To have the chance to help a child restore his laugh
with glee

A word of thanks I might not hear,
but knowing is enough for me.

The praise of men is fine for some,
But I feel truly blessed.

That you, Oh Lord, Have chosen
me to serve in EMS!

Dentist's Prayer

Dear Lord as I wake and get ready to go,
I ask that you guide me in all that I know.

As my patients come in
each with their own need
to help with their problems
my advice they will heed.

For I am a Dentist

I help those in pain,

and also help making those mouths smile again
through every cleaning.

Though I may have to drill,

I ask for you guidance in each tooth I fill.

For I am a Dentist

I give thanks to you

and know you'll be with me in each job I do.

Doctor's Prayer

Lord, Who on earth didst minister
to those who helplessly lay
In pain and weakness, hear me now,
as unto thee I pray.

Give to mine eyes the power to see
The hidden source of ill.

Give to my hand the healing touch
The throb of pain to still.

Grant that mine ears to swift to hear
The cry of those in pain.

Give to my tongue the words that bring
Comfort and strength again.

Fill thou my heart with tenderness,
My brain with wisdom true.

And when in weariness I sink,
Strengthen thou me anew.

So in thy footsteps may I tread,
Strong in thy strength always.

So May I do the blessed work,
And praise Thee day by day.

I Am A Pharmacist

At this time, I vow to devote my professional life
to the service of all humankind through
the profession of pharmacy.

I will consider the welfare of humanity
and relief of human suffering my primary concerns.
I will apply my knowledge, experience and skills to
the best of my ability to assure optimal drug therapy
outcomes for the patients I serve.

I will keep abreast of developments and maintain
professional competency in my profession of pharmacy.

I will maintain the highest principles of
moral, ethical and legal conduct.

I will embrace and advocate change in the
profession of pharmacy that improves patient care.

I take these vows voluntarily with full realization
of the responsibility with which the public entrusts me.

An Attorney's Prayer

My prayer, O Lord, is to now understand
How best to advise my fellow man.

When his foremost plea is that justice be served,
But for truth to prevail, he must lean on my word.

And further, Dear Lord, I need your insight,
To present all the facts
that will sanction what's right.

So I ask You, just now, to encourage my mind
For without Your great wisdom-
"Justice is Blind."

Accountant's Prayer

Lord, help this accountant
As I tackle every task.
Grant me clear and patient thought,
I most sincerely ask.

May I always use my skills
As you would have me to.
Let my Christian values shine
Through this work I do.

Let me never find my work
A thing to dread or fear,
But always find accounting
A challenging career.

IRS Prayer

Tax his cow, Tax his goat.
Tax his pants, Tax his coat.
Tax his crop, Tax his work.
Tax his ties, Tax his shirt.
Tax his shoes, Tax his smoke.
Teach him taxing is no joke.

Tax his tractor, Tax his mule.
Tell him, "Taxing is the rule".
Tax his oil, Tax his gas.
Tax his notes, Tax his cash.
Tax him good and let him know,
That after taxes, he has no dough.

If he hollers, Tax him more.
Tax him till he's good and sore.
Tax his coffin, Tax his grave.
Tax his sod in which he's laid.
Put these words upon his tomb,
"Taxes drove him to his doom".
After he's gone, we won't relax.
We'll still collect inheritance tax.

A Lawyer's Prayer

Our father, who shall be termed party of the first part,
Whose place of business is in Heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom, pursuant to terms and conditions, come.
Thy will, duly uncontested, be done on earth,
in so far as existing statutes permit, as it is in Heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts,
not withstanding claims, liens, and legal costs, as we,
who shall be termed party of the second part, forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation
, (i.e. sin, corruption, greed, gluttony, etc.)
but deliver us from evil, the nature of
which shall be determined by the
court. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power
and, pending appeal, the glory forever.

Amen

Boss

Doing special favors
in a dozen different ways.
Looking out for others
with no thought of
thanks or praise.
Treating workers like
a family,
setting good examples too-
These things make a
wonderful Boss,
And they all apply to you.

A Secretary's Plea

Lord, help me to do my work well,
With the memory of an elephant,
And five hands to answer three phones
While typing a letter that "must go out today"
And when that letter doesn't
get signed until tomorrow,
Please give me the self-discipline
to keep my mouth shut.
Let me keep my patience when the
boss has me searching for hours
For data that is later discovered on his desk.
Let me always know exactly where my boss is,
What he is doing, and when he will be back,
Even though he doesn't always tells me
these things when he leaves.
And Lord, when the year ends,
Please give me the foresight not to throw out records
That will be asked for in a few days,
Even though I was told emphatically,
"Destroy these. They clutter up the place."

Amen

The Great Secretary In The World

With much aplomb and much applause
Without you, the office would be a zoo!

For its you who are so organized
Taking care of each and every thing
From ordering supplies to taking calls
You make the office ring!

You handle all complaints
In such a constructive way
There's no one else quite like you
For the problems simply fly away.

Your boss is pleased as punch
To have a secretary quite like you
Efficient to a "D" you are
Plus great follow through!

You're a great secretary
Who is held in high esteem
You truly reign supreme!

Our Coach

☞ We have learned the importance of fair play and good sportsmanship.

☞ We have learned to accept wins with as much dignity as losses.

☞ We have learned to put the team before our personal gratifications.

☞ We have learned that trying our best was the thing you wanted most from us.

☞ We have learned the importance of focusing on the process, not the results.

☞ We have learned the satisfaction that comes from striving to win.

☞ We have learned that improvement -- not just winning -- is a sign of success.

☞ We have learned that after every fall we must get up and keep trying.

☞ We know now that the journey is as important as the destination.

☞ We know now you made us better athletes as well as better human beings.

Thank you for being our Coach.

The Coach's Prayer

Heavenly Father guide me

As I try to coach this team

To build each other's character
and boost their self-esteem.

May I keep an even temper

And remember it's a game.

Let me not have favorite players
but treat them all the same.

Grant me patient wisdom

As I praise them or correct,

Remembering that I must work
to earn each ones respect.

Lord, whether we may win or lose,

May all who are watching see

The kind of coach at every game

That you would like me to be.

Amen.

An Athlete's Prayer

Help me to play the game, dear Lord,
with all my might and main;
Grant me the courage born of right,
a heart to stand the strain...

Send me a sense of humor, Lord,
to laugh when victory's mine;
To laugh, if I should meet defeat,
without a fret or whine..

Give me the grace to follow rules,
to 'fess up when I'm wrong,
When silence or some other thing
wins plaudits from the throng..

When foes are tough and fighting fierce
and I am getting weak,
Dear God, don't ever let me show a broad,
bright, yellow streak.

And teach me, Lord, life's game to
play just one day at a time.
With Thee as coach and trainer,
Lord, real victory must be mine.

Caregiver

For (Name)

When a little child is searching for,
Someone to give comfort and more,
You instinctively know what to do,
When this little one is feeling blue.

For you have healed many hurts and fears,
By giving hugs and drying tears.
Security comes from knowing you care,
When Mommy and Daddy just can't be there.

Caring for children is an exhausting feat,
With so many urgent needs to meet.
Only someone like you, with gifts from above,
Is able to give such patience and love.

This special thank you is sent your way
For giving so much of yourself each day.

Fisherman's Prayer

God Grant that I may live
To fish until my dying day,
And when my final cast is made,
I most humbly pray when in the
Lord's Landing net, I am peacefully
Asleep. That in his mercy I be
Judged good enough to keep.

A Hunter's Prayer

Lead me where there is plenty of game
Give me a steady hand and a
Perfect aim,
Let me shoot clean and be
A good sport, too.
And never shoot anything
I hadn't ought to.

Farmer's Prayer

Lord, bless the land you've given me,
And may I always know
As I tend each crop and creature
You're the one who helps them grow.

Grant me the strength and wisdom
Please protect me from harm,
And thank you

For Your gracious gift-

The blessing of a farm.

Rolling Times

There is a man out on the road,
And you might be the same.
They say he loves a million kids,
Yet three share his name.

He rolls out on the big highway forever yet to roam.
You know he drives a diesel rig, and that's his second home.
He'll play his hand with lady luck, Until his luck runs dry.
Then he'll be chasing all his dreams while driving in the sky.
He pulls into his next big stop, a tear rolls down his cheek.
As he thinks about this big old world,
He then drifts off to sleep.
He dreams about the days of old when truckers stood as one.
When brotherhood and family were never just for fun.
So if you want to know the man,
It's not a game he plays.
His heart is filled with so much love...
His time just rolls away.

Laurie Ann Knowlton

"A Trucker's Family Prayer"

Dear Lord:

Please watch over our Trucker, as he may needs extra guidance.
He is out on that long, unforgiving road,
trying to make a honest living.
Please be sure to keep him safe;
it can be very dangerous this far away from home.
Life out there can be full of stress and disappointment:
We ask that you lift him up when he is down,
reminding him that he is not alone, that you are always within him.
Dead lines and Hot loads are a worry too,
Dear Lord: Shine your light on him as he travels thru the midnight
darkness; keeping his eyes opened until he is able to rest.
Lord, know that our Trucker did not choose an easy path;
He chose to drive a truck for a living,
which does not allow us a "normal" family life.
Please bless this man; for the sacrifice that he made ishimself.
This is not an easy life, but it is the life that we live.
Times at home with out him are hard too,
sometimes the worries and loneliness can seem unbearable.
Please remind him that he is always in our hearts, no matter
how many miles he is from home.
Knowing that you have our "Trucker-Family"
under your wings to protect us from harm,
allows us to wake up each morning loving you and knowing:
You love us; regardless of where we might be.
~ Amen

As You Retire

May you feel a sense of accomplishment
And pride as you look back upon
Your years of dedication and hard work.
May the future bring you every opportunity
To live life to the fullest on your own terms.
Congratulations!

(Retired)

As you retire, keep a firm grip
on your perspective toward life.
Life is not measured so much by the
quantity of days, but by their quality.

Bring your all to bear upon
the coming days of your life, so that each day
will be the fulfillment of a hope, a dream..

Fill your days with beautiful
memories and joyful moments.

Don't retire from life,
but continue to experience
all that life has to offer.

As you retire, share your wisdom
and your knowledge.
See the gift of retirement
as a gift of new horizons.

I Am Your Flag

I am the symbol of the living America,
the badge of its greatness, the emblem of its destiny.

I am faith.

It is I who keep men mindful of their priceless heritage,
life, liberty, and the right to pursue happiness.

I am hope.

I represent the land of promise wherein,
already, man's loftiest
dreams have approached closer
to realization than ever before on this earth.

I am life.

Each strand and fiber of my being is a memorial,
dedicated to the sacrifices of all those strong men
and steadfast women who have lived and
died in the nation's service, that it might live forever.

I am tolerance.

So long as I shall wave, all people under my protection
may freely worship, think, write and speak,
undaunted by the shadow of fear.

I am justice, tempered with mercy.
For I am friend to the oppressed
and downtrodden of every land.

I am a sign of the future.

I wave over schools throughout the nation
and in them the nation's future is molded.

I am the flag of the United States... the last...
the best hope for peace on earth.

I Am Your Flag

I was born June 14, 1777

I am more than just a cloth shaped in a design
I am the refuge of the world's oppressed people.

I am the silent sentinel of freedom.

I am the emblem of the greatest
sovereign nation on earth.

I am the inspiration for which American Patriots
gave their lives and fortunes.

I have led your sons into battle from
Valley Forge to Saudi Arabia.

I walk with the beat of the muffled drum
with each of your honored dead, to their final resting place
beneath the silent white crosses, now row upon row.

I have flown through peace and war,
strife and prosperity, and amidst it all, I have been respected.

My red stripes- symbolize the blood spilled in defense
of this glorious nation.

My white stripes- signify the burning tears shed by
Americans who lost their sons and daughters.

My blue field- is indicative of
God's heaven under which I fly.

My stars- clustered together, unify fifty states as one,
for God and Country.

"Old Glory" is my nickname, and proudly
I wave on high.

Honor me, respect me, defend me with your lives
and your fortunes.

Never let my enemies tear me down from my lofty position,
lest I never return.

Keep alight the fires of patriotism; strive earnestly
for the spirit of democracy.

I am your flag
Display me proudly
Treat me with respect

A Military Prayer 1

God, our Father

Help me to remain true to my ideals during
my service to my country.

Help me be what is in America, the land of the free.

May I realize that I represent
what our country stands for.

My uniform is a symbol of duty
and valor both in peace and in war.

I take up arms to defend what all Americans hold dear:
life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Grant me the strength to live according to these ideals,
the courage of my convictions, and the resolve to endure
whatever dangers threaten.

With you at our side I fear no evil and resist every enemy,
secure in the knowledge that you hold me
in the palm of your hand.

A Military Prayer 2

Dear God,

This prayer that I say tonight
Is for my spouse who must fight
For you see, he is away from me
Keeping his country safe and free

This is the one that I love

And so I ask you Lord above

Please keep him safe while under way
And bring him home to me someday

While he is gone, please hear my prayer
And let him know I will be there

Waiting for him to come home

Hoping and praying with some fear

This prayer is not for him alone

But for all military far from home
I ask you to keep them safe and sound

On their way to where their bound

We love these men & women
that are asked to fight

So, keep them safe for us tonight.

Soldier Prayer

Look God, I have never spoken to you before
But now I want to say "How do you do."
You see God, they told me You didn't exist
And like a fool I believed all this.

Last night from a shell hole I saw Your sky,
I figured right then they had told me a lie.
Had I taken the time to see things You made
I'd have know they weren't calling a spade a spade

I wonder God if You'd shake my hand,
Somehow I feel that You will understand.
Funny I had to come to this Hellish place
Before I had time to see Your face.

Well I guess there isn't much more to say,
But I sure am glad, God, I met you today.
I guess the zero hour will soon be here,
I am not afraid since I know you are here.

The signal! Well God, I'll have to go,
I like You lots, this I want You to know.
Look now this will be a horrible fight,
Who knows I may come to You tonight?

Though I wasn't friendly to You before,
I wonder, God, if You'd wait at Your door.
Look, I am crying! Me shedding tears!
I wish I had known You these many years,
Well I have to go now, God good-bye!
Since I met You, I'm not afraid to die.

The Soldier

It is the soldier, not the reporter,
who has given us freedom of the press.

It is the soldier, not the poet,
who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the soldier, not the campus organizer,
who has given us the freedom to demonstrate.

It is the soldier, not the lawyer,
who has given us the right to a fair trial.

It is the soldier, who salutes the flag,
who serves under the flag,
and whose coffin is draped by the flag,
who allows the protester to burn the flag.

He Stands Guard

On a cold clear night, the stars shine like his eyes,
As he paces from one end to the other,
His mind is full of memories and dreams to be fulfilled,
And he dreams of home, as he stands guard.

He's seen it all, the trials and tribulations,
The poverty the hardships,
In the places we've never seen,
And he tries to put it behind him, as he stands guard.

He protects the world we live in,
He protects the love we share,
He protects the freedom of his unborn children,
He protects the home he left behind, as he stands guard.

He's thought of constantly,
By his friends and family,
He's wanted back home,
Back in the arms of love, as he stands guard.

He created the freedom we possess,
He is the strength that we don't,
He is the pride that keeps us going,
He is the mystery in red, white & blue, as he stands guard.

He is a son,
He is a brother,
He is a friend,
He is a lover,
He is the soul that binds,
He is the soldier that stands guard.

Medals

Don't envy a man his medals
All those ribbons on his chest
He did not try to get them
They're not there at his request
They were earned in stinking hell holes
Where no man would like to go
Or in cold and wintry places
Where there's only ice and snow
He did not know he earned them
Till they were awarded at parade
And they were bright when he first got them
But in time the colors fade
He was told he had to wear them
And to wear them all with pride
But when the memories come to haunt him
Those same medals make him hide
Cause those medals will not bring back
All those guys he left behind
And he would trade them all forever
For a little peace of mind
So don't envy a man his medals
You don't want to take his place
Thinking back to long gone battles
And meeting dead friends face to face

An Everyday Hero

There are heroes who walk among us
never looking for glory or praise.

They don't seek recognition
for their thoughtful, caring ways.

Living lives of deep commitment
providing protection and calming fears.

Steadfast with a quiet strength
through times of crisis and tears.

You are an everyday hero,

The most selfless by far

So, this is a special "thank you"
For being the Hero that you are.

I Am Old Glory

For more than ten score years
I have been the banner of hope
and freedom for generation
after generation of Americans.

Born amid the first flames of
America's fight for freedom,
I am the symbol of a country that has
grown from a little group of thirteen colonies
to a united nation of fifty sovereign states.

Planted firmly on the high
pinnacle of American Faith
my gently fluttering folds
have proved an inspiration to untold millions.

Men have followed me into battle
with unwavering courage.

They have looked upon me
as a symbol of national unity.

They have prayed that they
and their fellow citizens might continue to
enjoy the life, liberty and pursuit of happiness,
which have been granted to every American
as the heritage of free men.
So long as men love liberty
more than life itself;
so long as they treasure
the priceless privileges bought
with the blood of our forefathers;
so long as the principles of truth, justice and charity
for all remain deeply rooted in human hearts,
I shall continue to be the enduring banner of the
United States of America.

Airforce Prayer

Angels above us,
protect, guide, and assist us as we fly.

Be with us as we take to the air
Archangel Michael on our right,
Gabriel on our left,
Rafael in front of us,
Ariel at our back,

Mother Earth beneath our feet,
Christ Light from above unfolds on your wings
Give us courage and make us brave;
Protect us where ever we go,
From shell and flak and fire and foe.
Direct our bombs upon the foe
But shelter those who are innocent.
And bring us safely down again.

Air Force Pilot's Prayer

Lord of Sea and Earth and Air,
Listen to the Pilot's prayer.
Send him wind that's steady and strong.
Grant that his engine sings the song,
Of flawless tone, by which he knows.
It shall not fail him where he goes,
Landing, gliding, in curve, half-roll,
Grant him, O Lord a full control,
That he may learn in heights of Heaven,
The rapture altitude has given.
That he shall know the joy they fell,
Who ride Thy realms on Birds of Steel.

The Marine's Prayer

Almighty Father, whose command is over all and whose love
Never fails, make me aware of Thy presence and obedient to
Thy will. Keep me true to my best self, guarding me against
Dishonesty in purpose and deed and helping me to live so that I
Can face my fellow Marines, my loved ones and Thee to do the
Work of a Marine and to accept my share of responsibilities
With vigor and enthusiasm.

Grant me the courage to be Proficient in my daily performance.
Keep me loyal and faithful To my superiors and to the duties
my country and the Marine Corps have entrusted in me. Make
me considerate of those Committed to my leadership. Help me to
wear my uniform with Dignity, and let it remind me daily
of traditions which I must Uphold.

If I am inclined to doubt, steady my faith; if I am Tempted,
make me strong to resist; if I should miss the mark, Give me
courage to try again. Guide me with the light of truth And grant
me wisdom by which I may understand the answer to
My prayer.

Lord's Prayer for the Military Wife

Lord, Grant me the greatness of heart to see,
the difference in duty and his love for me.
Give me the understanding to know,
That when duty calls he must go.
Give me a task to do each day,
to fill the time when he is away,
And Lord, when duty is in the field,
Please protect him and be his shield.

Navy Sailor's Oath

I am a United States Sailor
I will support and defend the
Constitution of the United States of America.
I will obey the orders of those appointed over me.
I represent the fighting spirit of the Navy
and those who gave before me to defend freedom
and democracy around the world.
I proudly serve in my country's Navy team
with honor, courage and commitment.
I am committed to excellence
and the fair treatment of all.

Army Soldier's Oath

I am an American Soldier
I am a member of the United States Army.
A protector of the greatest nation on earth.
Because I am proud of the uniform I wear,
I will always act in ways creditable to the military service
and the nation it is sworn to guard.
I am proud of my own organization.
I will do all I can to make it the finest unite in the Army.
I will be loyal to those under who I serve.
I will do my full party to carry out orders
and instructions given me or my unit.
As a soldier, I realize that I am a member to a time-
honored profession.
That I am doing my share to keep alive
the principles of freedom for which my country stands.
No matter what situation I am in,
I will never do anything for pleasure, profit or personal
safety,
which will disgrace my uniform, my unit or my country.
I will sue every means I have, even beyond the line of duty,
to restrain my Army comrades from actions
disgraceful to themselves and the uniform.
I am proud of my country and it's flag.
I will try to make the people of this nation proud of the
service
I represent, for I am an American soldier.

The Silent Ranks

I wear no uniforms, no blues or army greens,
But I am in the military in the ranks rarely seen.
I have no rank upon my shoulders,
Salutes I do not give.
But the military world is the place where I live

I'm not in the chain of
command, orders I do not get.
But my husband is the one that does,
this I cannot forget.
I'm not the one who fires the weapon,
Who puts my life on the line.
But my job is just as tough. I'm the one that's left
behind.

My husband is a patriot, a brave and prideful man and the call to
serve his county,
not all can understand.
Behind the line I see the things
needed to keep this county free.
My husband makes this sacrifice,
but so do our kids and me.

I love the man I married. Soldiering is his life. But I stand
among the silent ranks
Known as the military wife.

A Soldier Reports to God

The soldier stood and faced his God, which must always come to pass
He hoped his shoes were shining just as brightly as his brass.

"Step forward now, you soldier, How shall I deal with you?
Have you always turned the other cheek?
To My Church have you been true?"

The soldier squared his shoulders and said, "No, Lord, I guess I ain't
Because those of us who carry guns, can't always be a saint.

I've had to work most Sundays, and at times my talk was tough,
And sometimes I've been violent, because the streets are awfully rough

But, I never took a penny, that wasn't mine to keep....
Though I worked a lot of overtime, when the bills just got too steep,

And I never passed a cry for help, though at times I shook with fear,
And sometimes, God forgave me, I've wept unmanly tears.

I know I don't deserve a place, among the people here
They never wanted me around, except to calm their fears.

If you've a place for me here, Lord, it needn't be so grand
I never expected or had too much, but if you don't I'll understand."

There was a silence all around the throne, where the saint's had often trod
As the soldier waited quietly, for the judgment of his God,

"Step forward now you soldier, you've borne your burdens well,
Walk peacefully on Heaven's street, you've done your time in Hell."

To all that serve

When God calls little children

To dwell with him above,
We mortals sometimes question
The wisdom of His love.
For no heartache compares with
The death of one small child
Who does so much to make our world
Seem wonderful and mild.
Perhaps God tires of calling
The aged to His fold,
So He picks a little rosebud
Before it can grow old.
God knows how much we need them,
So He takes but a few
To make the land of heaven
More beautiful to view.
Believing this is difficult
Still, somehow we must try,
The saddest word mankind knows
Will always be "goodbye".
So when a little child departs,
We who are left behind
Must realize God loves children...
Angels are hard to find.

A Shared Tear

As the sun goes down, we realize
that another day is coming to an end.
We feel for your family and close friends
at the loss of your loved one.

We wish you the peace and assurance
that the reasons are there.
They may be beyond our understanding
at this time, but they do exist.

We pray you are comforted during this
time of grief, through your friends and family.

We just want you to know, (Name), that
our thoughts and prayers are with you.

If Tears Could Build A Stairway

If tears could build a stairway
And memories were a lane
We would walk right up to heaven
And bring you back again.
No farewell words were spoken
No time to say goodbye
You were gone before we knew it
And only God knows why.
Our hearts still ache in sadness
And secret tears still flow
What it meant to lose you
No one can ever know.
But now we know you want us
To mourn for you no more
To remember all the happy times
Life still has much in store.
Since you'll never be forgotten
We pledge to you today
A hallowed place within our hearts
Is where you'll always stay.

(Name) Memorial

In My Heart
I thought of you with love today,
But that is nothing new.
I thought about you yesterday,
And days before that too.
I think of you in silence.
I often speak your name.
Now all I have is memories,
And your pictures in a frame.
Your memory is my keepsake,
With which I'll never part.
God has you in his keeping.
I have you in my heart.

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took his hand when I heard him call
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day
to laugh, to love, to work or play
Tasks left undone must stay that way.
I found that peace at close of day
If my parting has left a void
then fill it - with remembered joy
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss ah,
yes, these things I too will miss.
Be not burdened with times of sorrow
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I've savored much,
good friends, good times a loved one's touch.
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts, and share with me
God wanted me now; He Set me free.

Come To Me

God saw you were getting tired,
And a cure was not to be,
So he put his arms around you
And Whispered, "Come to me."
With tearful eye we watched you,
And saw you pass away.
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.
A golden heart stopped beating,
Hard working hands at rest.
God broke our hearts to prove to us,
He only takes the best.

The Ten Native American Commandments

1. Treat the Earth and all that dwell thereon with respect.
2. Remain close the Great Spirit.
3. Show great respect for your fellow beings.
4. Work together for the benefit of all Mankind.
5. Give assistance and kindness wherever needed.
6. Do what you know to be right.
7. Look after the well-being of mind and body.
8. Dedicate a share of your efforts to the greater good.
9. Be truthful and honest at all times.
10. Take full responsibility for your actions

Native American Version Of The Twenty-third Psalm

The Great Father above a shepherd Chief is. I am His and with Him I want not. He throws out to me a rope and the name of the rope is love and He draws me to where the grass is green and the water not dangerous, and I eat and lie down and am satisfied. Sometimes my heart is very weak and falls down but He lifts me up again and draws me into a good road.

His name is WONDERFUL.

Sometime, it may be very soon, it may be a long, long time.

He will draw me into a valley. It is dark there, but I'll be afraid not, for it is in between those mountains that the Shepherd Chief will meet me and the hunger that I have in my heart all through this life will be satisfied.

He gives me a staff to lean upon. He spreads a table
before me with all kinds of foods.

He puts His hand upon my head and all the "tired" is gone.
My cup He fills till it runs over. What I tell is true. I lie not.
These roads that are "away ahead" will stay with me through this
life and after; and afterwards I will go to live in the Big Teepee and sit
down with the Shepherd Chief forever.

Native People's Prayer

Oh Great Spirit, whose voice I hear in the winds and whose breath gives life to all the world, hear me. I am small and weak, I need your strength and wisdom. Let me walk in beauty and make my eyes ever behold the red and purple sunset.

Make my hands respect the things that you have created and my ears sharp to hear your voice. Make me wise so that I may understand the sacred things you have taught my people.

Help me to learn the many lessons that you have hidden in every part of creation. I seek strength not to be greater than my brother or sister, but to fight and conquer my greatest enemy - myself.

Make me always ready to come to you with clean hands and straight eyes, so when life fades as the fading sunset, my spirit may come to you without shame.

Apache Wedding Blessing

Now you will feel no rain
for each of you will be shelter to the other.

Now you will feel no cold
for each of you will be warmth to the other.

Now there is no more loneliness
for each of you will be companion to the other.

Now you are two bodies
but there is only one life before you.

Go now to your dwelling place
to enter into the days of your togetherness.

And may your days be good and long upon the earth.

Chief Seattle Speech

*"Will you teach your children what
we have taught our children?
That the earth is our mother?*

What befalls the earth befalls all the sons of the earth.

*"This we know: the earth does not belong to man,
man belongs to the earth.*

All things are connected like the blood that unites us all.

Man did not weave the web of life, he is merely a strand in it.

Whatever he does to the web, he does to himself.

"One thing we know: our god is also your god.

*The earth is precious to him and to harm the earth
is to heap contempt on its creator.*

Living

To touch the cup with eager lips and taste, not drain it;

To woo and tempt and court a bliss - and not attain it;

To fondle and caress a joy, yet hold it lightly,

Lest it become necessity and cling too tightly;

To watch the sun set in the west without regretting;

To hail its advent in the east - the night forgetting;

To smother care in happiness and grief in laughter;

To hold the present close - not questioning hereafter;

To have enough to share - to know the joy of giving;

To thrill with all the sweets of life - is living.

How To Be Happy

Are you almost disgusted with life, little man?

I'll tell you a wonderful trick

That will bring you contentment, if anything can,

Do something for somebody, quick!

Are you awfully tired with play, little girl?

Wearied, discouraged, and sick

I'll tell you the loveliest game in the world,

Do something for somebody, quick!

Though it rains, like the rain of the flood, little man,

And the clouds are forbidding and thick,

You can make the sun shine on your soul, little man,

Do something for somebody, quick!

Though the stars are like brass overhead, little girl,

And the walks like a well-heated brick,

And our earthy affairs in a terrible whirl,

Do something for somebody, quick!

Methuselah

Methuselah ate what he found on his plate,

And never, as people do now,

Did he note the amount of calorie count;

He ate it because it was chow.

He wasn't disturbed as at dinner he sat,

Devouring a roast or a pie,

To think it was lacking in granular fat

Or a couple of vitamins shy.

He cheerfully chewed each species of food,

Unmindful of troubles or fears

Lest his health might be hurt

By some fancy dessert;

And he lived over nine hundred years.

Moments

There are moments in life when you miss someone so much that you just want to pick them from your dreams and hug them.

Dream what you want to dream; go where you want to go; be what you want to be, because you have only one life and one chance to do all the things you want to do.

May you have enough happiness to make you sweet, enough trials to make you strong, enough sorrow to keep you human, enough hope to make you happy.

Always put yourself in others' shoes. If you feel that it hurts you, it probably hurts the other person, too.

The happiest of people don't necessarily have the best of everything; they just make the most of everything that comes along their way.

Happiness lies for those who cry, those who hurt, those who have searched, and those who tried, for only they can appreciate the importance of people who have touched their lives.

Love begins with a smile, grows with a kiss and ends with a tear.

The brightest future will always be based on a forgotten past, you can't go on well in life until you let go of your past failures and heartaches.

When you were born, you were crying and everyone around you was smiling. Live your life so that when you die, you're the one who is smiling and everyone around you is crying.

A Smile

Let others cheer the winning man,
There's one I hold worthwhile;
'Tis he who does the best he can,
Then loses with a smile.
Beaten he is, but not to stay
Down with the rank and file;
That man will win some other day,
Who loses with a smile.

May You Always Have Work

May you always have work for
your hands to do.

May your pockets hold always a
coin or two.

May the sun shine bright on your
windowpane.

May the rainbow be certain to
follow each rain.

May the hand of a friend always
be near you.

And may God fill your heart with
gladness to cheer you.

May The Irish Hills Caress You

May the Irish hills
caress you.

May her lakes and rivers
bless you.

May the luck of the Irish
enfold you.

May the blessings of
Saint Patrick behold you.

I Said a Prayer for You

"I said a prayer for you today
and know God must have heard;
I felt the answer in my heart
Although He spoke not a word.

I didn't ask for wealth or fame,
I knew you wouldn't mind,
I asked for priceless treasures rare,
Of a more lasting kind.

I prayed that He'd be near to you
At the start of each new day,
To grant you health and blessing fair,
And friends to show your way.

I asked for happiness for you
In all things great and small,
But that you'd know His loving care
I prayed for most of all."

The Guy In The Glass

When you get what you want in your struggle for self
And the world makes you "King" for a day
Then go to the mirror and look at yourself
And see what the guy has to say

For it isn't your father, or mother, or wife
Whose judgment upon you must pass
The fellow whose verdict counts most in your life
Is the guy staring back from the glass

He's the fellow to please - never mind all the rest
For he's with you clear to the end
And you've passed your most dangerous, difficult task
If the guy in the glass is your friend

You may be like Jack Horner and "chisel" a plum
And think you're a wonderful guy
But the man in the glass says you're only a bum
If you can't look him straight in the eye

You can fool the whole world down the pathway of years
And get pats on the back as you pass,
But your final reward will be heartaches and tears
If you've cheated the guy in the glass

The Legend of The Dogwood Tree

When Christ was on earth, the dogwood grew
To a towering size with a lovely hue.
It's branches were strong and interwoven
And for Christ's cross its timbers were chosen.
Being distressed at the use of this wood,
Christ made a promise which still holds good:
"Not ever again shall the dogwood grow
To be large enough for a cross, and so
Slender and twisted it shall always be
With cross-shaped blossoms for all to see.
The pedals shall have bloodstains marked in brown
And in the blossom's center a thorny crown.
All who see it will think of me,
Nailed to a cross from a dogwood tree.
Protected and cherished this tree shall be
A reflection to all of my agony."

The True Meaning of Christmas

And there were in the same country shepherds
abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.
And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them,
and the glory of the Lord shone round about them:
and they were sore afraid.
And the angel said unto them, Fear not: for, behold,
I bring you good tidings of great joy,
which shall be to all people.
For unto you is born this day in the city of David
a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.
And this shall be a sign unto you;
Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes,
lying in a manger. And suddenly
there was with the angel a multitude of the
heavenly host praising God, and saying,
Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace, good will toward men.
Luke 2:8-14

The Difference

"I got up early one morning
and rushed right into the day.

I had so much to accomplish
that I didn't have time to pray.

Problems just tumbled about me
and heavier came each task.

'Why doesn't God help me?' I wondered.
He answered, 'You didn't ask.'

I wanted to see joy and beauty,
but the day toiled on, gray and bleak;
I wondered why God didn't show me.
He said, 'But you didn't seek.'

I tried to come into God's presence;
I used all my keys at the lock.
God gently and lovingly chided,
'My child, you didn't knock.'

I woke up early this morning,
and paused to pray before entering the day.
I had so much to accomplish
that I had to take time to pray.

Sonnet

How do I love thee? Let me count the ways.
I love thee to the depth and breadth and height
My soul can reach, when feeling out of sight
For the ends of Being and ideal Grace.

I love thee to the level of every day's
Most quiet need, be sun and candle - light.
I love thee freely, as men strive for Right;
I love thee purely, as they turn from Praise.

I love thee with the passion put to use
In my old griefs, and with my childhood's faith.
I love thee with a love I seemed to lose
With my lost saints, - I love thee with the breath,
Smiles, tears, of all my life! - and, if God choose,
I shall love thee better after death.

Elizabeth Barrett Browning

God knows

It's God who knows
our every need and hears
each prayer we say, It's
He who grants us heart's
content and guides us
through each day...
So may it be His gracious
will to always give to you,
His understanding and His love
and all His blessings, too.

Choose this day

Choose ye this day
whom ye will serve...
but as for me and
my house,
we will serve
the Lord!
Joshua 24:15

Rainbows

Rainbows appear after mighty storms,
When things look their very worst.
Just when skies are darkest gray,
Look for the rainbow first.

The rainbow is a sign of God's promise,
That He will guide us through all our trials.

No matter what their form,
When you feel battered by life's storms,
And you are filled with doubt and dismay,
Just remember God's rainbow will come,
For it's only a prayer away.

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom and the
power and the glory forever and ever.

Amen

The Twenty - Third Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
 He restoreth my soul:
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
 for his name's sake.
Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
 shadow of death, I will fear no evil:
For thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff
 they comfort me.
Thou preparest a table before me in the presence
 of mine enemies:
Thou anointest my head with oil; my cup
 runneth over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all
 the days of my life:
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord
 forever.

Bible: Psalms, 23

The Ten Commandments

- I. Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.
- II. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord, thy God, in vain
- III. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy
- IV. Honor thy father and mother
- V. Thou shalt not kill
- VI. Thou shalt not commit adultery
- VII. Thou shalt not steal
- VIII. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor
- IX. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife
- X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's goods

Footprints

One night a man had a dream.

He dreamed he was walking along the beach with the LORD.

Across the sky flashed scenes from his life.

For each scene, he noticed two sets of footprints in the sand;
one belonged to him and the other belonged to the LORD.

When the last scene of his life flashed before him,
he looked back at the footprints in the sand.

He noticed that many times along the
path of his life, there was only one set of footprints.
He also noticed that it happened at the very lowest
and saddest times in his life.

This really bothered him and he questioned the LORD about it,

"LORD, you said that once

I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way.

But I have noticed that during the most troublesome
times in my life, there is only one set of footprints.

I don't understand why,
when I needed you most you would leave me."

The LORD replied, "My precious, precious child,

I love you and would never leave you.

During your times of trial and suffering, when you see
only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you."

Footprints 2

In another dream that followed again he asked once more
about the footprints of his life left along the shore.

"Dear Lord, It's now quite clear to me that You were always there
and that You never left my side when I was in despair.

But how could You have led me through such troubled times as those?

If You love me as you say you do why did I face such woes?

For I followed where You led me, You know You've been my guide.

So why was I to suffer, when upon you I relied?

And though You carried me at times--deciding my direction;

I still wonder why You let me stray away from your protection? "

"My child," the Lord softly said, "though I've walked with you each day;

I never led the path we took nor let you walk astray.

When you look upon those footprints lying in the sand

You'll see I merely walked with you and gently held your hand.

For the life I gave to you is yours, And though I love you dear.

The path you followed you had chose though I was always near.

And though it's true, I carried you during times of pain and strife.

You decided where I left those footprints in your life.

You see, I loved you so much so--I gave you your own will,

Although you've made mistakes, my child; you know I've loved you still.

For you had chose to live along the path left by my Son
and though your steps fell short of his, through Him you now live on! "

Anthony John Goebel

To Our Pastor

God has sent you to this place
To lead us in the way
That He would have us work and think
And live from day to day.

No matter the hour,
You go the extra mile.
Always ready and willing to share
A comforting thought and a smile.

We're grateful that you're here with us
To teach us from His Word,
And we will try to do our best
In service of our Lord.

We thank you for your ministry
Your guidance and your care.
His greatest blessings for your life
Is our most humble prayer.

The Pastor's Study

The Pastor's Study is a symbol of the calling of the Christian minister to be the shepherd of a flock of God. Here sermons are prepared to feed the congregation on God's Holy Word. Here the work of the Church is planned so that the congregation may grow in grace and bear fruit in fellowship, teaching and witnessing. Here you will always find a friend and counselor in time of need. He will not be surprised at your sins, nor will he judge you in them, but he always invites you to share with him, the wisdom and love of God, the knowledge of forgiveness of sins, and the saving grace of God in Christ Jesus, our Lord ~

Serenity Prayer

God grant me the Courage
to change the things I can
change,

The Serenity to accept those
I cannot change,

And the Wisdom to know the
difference. But God, grant
me the courage
not to give up
on what I think
is right, even though
I think it is hopeless.

Serenity Prayer 2

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things
I cannot change, courage to change the things I can,
and the wisdom to know the difference.

Living one day at a time, enjoying one moment at a
time;

Accepting hardship as the pathway to peace.

Taking, as He did, this sinful world as it is,
not as I would have it.

Trusting, that He will make all things right if I
Surrender to His Will;

That I may be reasonably happy in this life,
and supremely happy with Him forever in the next.

Amen

Dog

When God had made the earth and sky,
The flowers and the trees.
He then made all the animals,
The fish, the birds and bees.

And when at last He'd finished,
Not one was quite the same.
He said, "I'll walk this world of mine,
And give each one a name."

And so He traveled far and wide
And everywhere He went,
A little creature followed Him
Until its strength was spent.

When all were named upon the earth
And in the sky and sea,
The little creature said, "Dear Lord,
There's not one left for me."

Kindly the Father said to him
"I've left you to the end,
I've turned my own name back to front
And called you dog, my friend."

A Dog's Bill Of Rights

1. I have the right to give and receive unconditional love.
2. I have the right to a life that is beyond mere survival.
3. I have the right to be trained so that I do not become the prisoner of my misbehavior.
4. I have the right to adequate food and medical care.
5. I have the right to fresh air and green grass.
6. I have the right to socialize with people and dogs outside my own family.
7. I have the right to special time with my people.
8. I have the right to be bred responsibly, if at all.
9. I have the right to be foolish, silly and to make my person laugh.
10. I have the right to earn my person's trust and to be trusted in return.
11. I have the right to be forgiven.
12. I have the right to be remembered well.

"A Dog's Best Friend"

O Lord, don't let me once forget,
How I love my trusty pet -
Help me learn to disregard
canine craters in my yard.
Show me how to be a buddy
even when my sofa's muddy.
Don't allow my pooch to munch
postal carriers for lunch.
Shield my neighbor's cat from view,
guide my steps around the doo.
Train me not to curse and scowl
when it's puppy night to howl.
Grant I shan't awake in fear
with a cold nose in my ear.
Give me patience without end -
Help me be "A DOG'S BEST FRIEND."

Waiting

I got to the gate of Heaven yesterday
after we said good-bye.
I began to miss you terribly,
because I heard you cry.
Suddenly there was an Angel and she asked me
to enter Heaven's gate.
I asked her if I could stay outside
for some who'd be late.
I wouldn't make much noise you see,
I wouldn't make bark or howl.
I'll only wait here patiently
and play with my tennis ball.
The Angel said I could stay right here
and wait for you to come
Because Heaven just wouldn't be Heaven.
So I'll wait right here, you take your time,
but keep me in your heart.
Because Heaven just wouldn't be Heaven
without you to warm my heart.

So Spoke The Lord

God summoned a beast from the field and said,
"Behold, man is created in my image. Therefore adore him.

You shall protect in the wilderness,
Shepherd his flocks, watch over his children,
accompany him wherever he may go ~ even into civilization.
You shall be his companion, his ally, his slave.

To do these things, God said,

I endow you with instincts uncommon to other beasts:

Faithfulness, Devotion and Understanding
surpassing those of man himself.

Lest it impair your courage, you shall never foresee your death.

Lest it impair your loyalty, you shall be blind to the faults of man.

Lest it impair your understanding, you are denied the power of
words.

Speak to your master only with your mind and through your
honest eyes.

Walk by his side; sleep in his doorway; forage for him; ward off
his enemies; carry his burden; share his afflictions, love and
comfort him.

And in return for this, man will fulfill your needs and wants~
which shall be only food, shelter and affection.

So be silent and be a friend to man.

Guide him through the perils along the way to his land
I have promised him.

This shall be your destiny and your immortality.

So spoke the Lord. And the dog heard, and was content.

Called to give my all (A Police Dog)

I am a deputy in a canine crew
I've been trained to see it through.
When danger's near, my ears perk up,
They taught me that as a little pup.
I'm often there to protect your rights;
My presence sometimes hinders fights.
I never attack with thoughts to kill,
When subduing one, my job I fill.
I never worry a single thought,
as to how I'll fare a certain spot.
The love I have for a handler's care,
Is all I need each day to fare.
And if someday, my luck turns bad,
I'll relish all the joys I had.
To be with men who stand for good,
In a special kind of brotherhood.
The story's end, by know you know,
Of how I tried for a better show.
I did my best, though I did fall,
When I was called to give my all.

A Cat's Prayer

Now I lay me down to sleep,
The king-size bed is soft and deep...
I sleep right in the center groove
My human can hardly move!

I've trapped her legs, she's tucked in tight
And here is where I pass the night
No one disturbs me or dares intrude
Till morning comes and "I want food!"

I sneak up slowly to begin
My nibbles on my human's chin.
She wakes up quickly, I have sharp teeth -
And my claws I will unsheathe

For the morning's here and it's time to play
I always seem to get my way.
So thank you Lord for giving me
This human person that I see.

The one who hugs me and holds me tight
And sacrifices her bed at night.

The Cat's Commandments

Now hear this!
You may live in this dwelling with me,
But keep in mind your sole purpose for existing is to
care for me. I pray God keeps you able to do so.

Feed me well and promptly, so that I may then find
a quiet place to lie down and stare at you. If that
place happens to be on top of the television set, do not
keep trying to dislodge me even though my tail is
hanging in the middle of the picture.

I expect full run of the premises, including the
kitchen table. I sniff your food only to see if I would
prefer it to mine. Brush me twice a week. Pet me
as often as you wish, but I can do without the idiotic
statements you utter as you do so.

When I bump my head against your leg or check, it
means I accept you as part of my environment.
Keep in mind that if I thought the lady next door
would feed me better. I'd be out of here in a minute.
If you're looking for loyalty, get a dog.

What Is A Cat?

Gentle eyes that see so much,
Paws that have the quiet touch.
Purrs to signal "all is well"
And show more love than words can tell.
Graceful movements touched with pride,
A calming presence by our side.
A friendship that will last and grow -
Small wonder why we love them so

The Horse's Prayer

To thee, my master, I offer my prayer.
Feed me, water and care for me, and when the day's work is done,
provide me with shelter, a clean, dry bed, and stall wide enough for me to lie down in comfort.

Always be kind to me.

Your voice often means as much to me as the reins.

Pet me sometimes, that I may serve you the more gladly and learn to love you.
Do not jerk the reins, and do not whip me when going uphill. Never strike, beat, or kicks me
when I do not understand you. Watch me, and if I fail to do your bidding, see if something is
not wrong with my harness or feet.

Do not check me so that I cannot have free use of my head.

If you insist that I wear blinkers, so that I cannot see behind me as it was intended I should,
I pray you be careful that the blinders stand well out of my eyes. Do not overload me, or
hitch me where water will drip on me.

Keep me well shod. Examine my teeth when I do not eat, I may have an ulcerated tooth,
and that, you know, is very painful. Do not tie my head in an unnatural position, or take
away my best defense against flies and mosquitoes by cutting off my tail.

I cannot tell you when I am thirsty, so give me clean, cool water often.
Save me, by all means in your power from that fatal disease - the glanders. I cannot tell you
in words when I am sick, so watch me that by signs you may know my condition. Give me
all possible shelter from the hot sun, and put a blanket on me, not when I am working, but
when I am standing in the cold. Never put a frosty bit in my mouth, first warm it by holding
it a moment in your hands.

I try to carry you and your burden without a murmur, and wait patiently for you long
hours of the day or night.

Without the power to choose my shoes or path, I sometimes fall on hard pavement, which I
have often prayed might not be of wood but of such a nature as to give me safe and sure
footing.

Remember that I must be ready at any moment to lose my life in your service.

And finally, OH MY MASTER, when my useful strength is gone, do not turn me out to
starve or freeze, or sell me to some cruel owner, to be slowly tortured and starved to death,
but do thou,

My Master, take my life in the kindest way, and your God will reward you here and
hereafter.

You will not consider me irreverent if I ask this in the name of Him who was born in a
stable.

AMEN

Just A Horse

From time to time, people tell me,
"Tighten up, it's just a horse", or, "That's a lot of money for just a horse".
They don't understand the distance traveled, the time spent,
or the costs involved for "just a horse".

Some of my proudest moments have come about with "just a horse".
Many hours have passed and my only company was "just a horse",
but I did not once feel slighted. Some of my saddest moments have been
brought about by "just a horse". And in those days of darkness, the gentle
touch of "just a horse" gave me comfort and reason to overcome the day.

If you, too, think it's "just a horse", then you will probably understand
phrases like "just a friend", "just a sunrise", or "just a promise". "Just A
Horse" brings into my life the very essence of friendship, trust and pure
unbridled joy. "Just A Horse" brings out the compassion and patience that
makes me a better person. Because of "just a horse", I will rise early, take
long walks and look longingly into the future.

So, for me, and folks like me, it's not, "just a horse", but an embodiment of all
the hopes and dreams of the future, the fond memories of the past, and the
pure joy of the moment.

"Just A Horse" brings out what's good in me and diverts my thoughts
away from myself and the worries of the day. I hope that someday they can
understand that it's not "just a horse" but the thing that gives me humanity
and keeps me from being "just a man".

So, the next time you hear the phrase "just a horse", just smile, because they
"just" don't understand the lessons in life - through God's gift- Just A
Horse.

The Heart Of A Horse

When your day seems out of balance
and so many things go wrong,
Go out into your pasture
and wrap your arms around your horse.

His gentle breath enfolds you,
and he watches with those eyes
He may not have a PhD,
but he is, oh so wise!

His head rests on your shoulder.
You embrace him oh so tight.
He puts your world in balance,
and makes it seem all right.

Your tears they soon stop flowing.
The tension is now eased.
The garbage has been lifted,
and you're quiet and at peace.

So when you need the balance
from circumstances in your day,
The best therapy that you can seek
is out there eating hay.

Don't Cry For The Horses

Don't cry for the horses that life has set free.

A million white horses forever to be.

Don't cry for the horses now in God's hand.

As they dance and they prance in a heavenly band.

They were ours as a gift, but never to keep.

As they close their eyes forever to sleep.

Their spirits unbound.

On silver wings they fly.

A million white horses against the blue sky.

Look up into heaven, you'll see them above.

The horses we lost, the horses we loved.

Manes and tails flowing, they gallop through time.

They were never yours, they were never mine.

Don't cry for the horses.

They'll be back someday.

When our time is gone, they will show us the way.

Do you hear that soft nicker?

Close to your ear?

Don't cry for the horses.

Love the ones that are here.