# A woman's story through poetry to touch your heart

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## **Poems To Touch Your Heart**

As you read these poems
Please let it be known
They are the story of my life
If you look close inside
You will see how others have inspired me
My wish for you is that you will be inspired too
For we are all part of God's family
I wish you love, joy, and peace

# **My Wish**

I wish you love and peace
To find the highest plane of serenity
I wish you joy with young love and ease
As you gaze into each others eyes by the sea
I wish for you, as you grow old
Mature love to touch and hold
Your heart and mind until the end of time
I wish for your soul to arise to the occasion
For a lifetime of happiness and celebration
To feel God's love for all eternity
Passing it on to all humanity
My wish for you my friend is love

#### I Love You-When

For Payton, Amelia, Nick, and Hannah

When I watch you grow and shine When we spend special times When I look at you I see utter beauty When I am with you I'm happy and free When I hold you I feel God's peace When I think of you I smile When I miss you I'd walk a hundred miles When I hear your laughter my heart sings When I'm blessed for the joy you bring When you sing I hear a symphony When you dance I see a beautiful star When you are blue it breaks my heart When you cry as we say goodbye When you joyfully run to me When we play games like hide and seek When you turn to me and confide When we pray to God at night When I help you tie your shoes When I cherish each moment with you When you look at me with love in your eyes When my spirit soars through the skies

# Life's Blessing

May you have sunlight on your face
Upon each awaken day
A cool breeze on a hot and humid night
Peace of mind as you turn out the light
A feeling of hope as you say your prayers
Always knowing that someone really cares
A soul mate to hold you tight each and every night
Children's laughter to make your life bright
May God's blessings be bestowed on you
While making your dreams come true

#### One Look

One look is all it took
One hug had me hooked
One smile touched my heart
One face a work of art
One tender moment reached my soul
One man to have and hold
One touch melted me
One wink set me free
One word gave me faith
One inspiration touched by grace
One dance made me believe
One love is for me

#### **A Teachers Point of View**

Talking to the students today Listening to what they have to say It appears they need someone near To steer them in the right direction To empower them while striving for perfection It's ok if they only go half way as long as they try They can hold their heads high They bring joy to our world the boys and girls It's not easy being a teenager today They have many adversities to face Wish I could bring them back to an easier way Spring is here anticipation is in the air They can go to the parks and take long walks Meet at the Mall then play ball Sounds like fun to me wish I were seventeen The rewards are many as I work with them They have become my special friends

#### I Write The Words

I write the words to touch hearts
To inspire others with my thoughts
Encourage people when they are down
To give hope and love when none can be found
Empowering others to help themselves
With love, charity, and good will
As they heal from the written word within
Coming from my heart to touch them
Words that bring them light
To ease their loneliness as they turn out the light
I pray it gives them peace as they lay down to bed
As they rejoice from the love they have been fed
God is where my words come from
For love, peace, and joy for everyone

# **Here On Earth**

Were here on earth for only a short while The best we can do some days is to smile Our smiles can brighten others days Easing their pain as they pass our way We can all make the world a better place As we pass on God's loving grace

#### Oh Lord

Oh lord how I hunger for you To do and love what you want me to I know at times I get lost and it leaves me blue For I am nothing without you When I was lost somehow you found me I will always be eternally grateful to thee Sometimes I want things my way Please give me courage to do your will day by day I really do not want it any other way I do not deserve your loving grace I thank thee for never walking away From me when I turned from you Please let me always remember you That you're always there for me if I let you be Help me to remember the true meaning of love Especially when things get tough Help me to be gentle to all that I touch While passing onto others your undying love

# **Mother Mary's Appearance**

Mother Mary full of grace
I yearn for you warm embrace
Appearing to me when I was young
Watching over me from heaven
I remember your radiant glow
You are praying for my soul
You said you had a plan for me
To guide and inspire children lovingly
To believe in Jesus and follow him faithfully

#### **Sweet Jesus**

Sweet Jesus how I adore you

For being there when I'm lonely or blue
When I turn to you I am at peace
There is nowhere else I'd rather be
Then having you right next to me
You have always been a true friend
Loving me unconditionally until the end
Showing me the way as I pray
Guiding me each and every day
Jesus what would I do without you
Only your love for me is true
My heart aches of how you carried the cross
To help others with their heartaches and loss
The love I have for you shines
As radiant light flows through my eyes

#### The Mother's Of The Church

Thank you mothers of the church
For lovingly spreading Gods word
Your undying love you give to us all
You never judge if one of us falls
Rather you nurture our souls with joy and love
Supporting us with dignity warmth and hugs
We are grateful for your meekness
For the advice and wisdom you shed upon us
We are touched like angels from your kindness
Because of you we are truly blessed
God has sent you to us from above
Thank you for your unconditional love

#### **Sea Of Love**

She was collecting seashells He picked her up as she tumbled While bringing her to her feet Their hearts skipped a beat As the seagulls flew over them Swimming together in the big blue sea They shared a taste of heaven The salt from the sea touched their lips Filled with love and passion From the sea mist Dashing over rocks to explore Wild flowers were blooming With dazzling color They embraced each other By the moonlight they gazed up at the stars Then carried their sea shells home for memoirs

## The Wonder Of Love

Echoes of sweet desire Makes everything much brighter The wonder of nature is restored Life is adored as never before A radiant smile Love letters in piles Creativity reaches its peak Enlightening visions of beauty Passion lingers into the night Beaming rays of light Dreams of joy and bliss A long and luscious kiss Ocean sounds comfort souls Portraying lost secrets to unfold Angels rejoice, sing, and pray Guiding them along their way

# **Teddy Bear**

Caressing each other by the sea
Grasping for breath ever so sweetly
Emotions spreading around in a maze
As you breathe your smile upon my face
A spirit of joy surrounds my soul
Two hearts begin to enfold
Wrapping your body around mine
Touched by the love in your eyes
I lift you up in the air
While catching you my teddy bear
Cuddling all through the night
Arising together by the tide
Oh what bliss my princess
Dazed by your sweet kiss

# You Make Me Happy

I am so happy when I am with you
Your dimples are so adorable and cute
I am too shy to tell you how I really feel
All I know is that my heart you can steal
I am so thrilled when I am by your side
For the feelings I have for you I cannot hide
You are lovely and pretty as a picture
Your nice, fun, and thoughtful like no other
I love how you bring out the best in me
When you smile my fears are set free
Let's get together and take a chance
I will hold you tight as we dance
While treasuring each moment I am with you
For my sweetheart my love for you is true

# **You Are My Love**

You are pretty as a picture
You make me happy when were together
You smell like a rose
You are the one I want to hold
You feel like heaven
You are my lucky seven
You are my angel
You are on my level
You light up my life
You will someday be my wife
You are one of a kind
You will never be left behind
You are a dream come true
You will never be left lonely and blue
You were meant for me and I was meant for you

# The Kissing Milkman

For Mom

Cecile was watching from her window Waiting for her milkman Rainy He came every Tuesday and he wanted to stay He kissed her once then twice Her neighbors feared that Rainy was weird And that she might not be safe They begged Cecile to stay away from kissing Rainy She wondered if it was a sin But come Tuesday she kissed him again She kissed him hard and oh so tight Cecile hoped her neighbors were out of sight Rainy felt so right he just might be back tonight To kiss her more as he leaves the door He will leave her once more breathless She will be restless until next week When he kisses her cheeks We shall see what happens I bet he leaves her laughing

#### **Oh Valentine**

Oh Valentine Where Are You?
I looked everywhere until two
By the ocean
Over the mountains
Where could you be?
The Valentine's dance was so lonely
I need you to be with me
I love you so
I need to let you know
I will continue my search for you
For my love for you is true
I love you I thought you knew
Now my heart is broke in two
When I find you
My spirit will be renewed

# **My True Love Valentine**

You mean the world to me
You are where I want to be
You are as sweet as chocolate
As bright as the sun
Together we have so much fun
Your kindness melts my soul
The loving person that you are
Is to treasure and hold
I was half and now I am whole
You always bring out the best in me
Bless you for making me feel complete
You are so sweet my true love valentine

# A Beautiful Couple

They met and their lives changed
He had hard times growing up it wasn't easy
Although it's still challenging at sixteen
He tries hard to make a better life
For himself in spite of his strife
For he is still trying to adjust to his fathers loss
Needing his mother to stand by to show him love
He is good at sports and wants to be in the MBA
Has a great sense of humor and he prays
He wants to be successful so he will stay
To work hard on his career so that he can live a better way
His girlfriend is special and stands by him
They support each other so their new life can begin
He is a wonderful young man who is taking a risk
To become successful, have a family, and some kids

# **A Lonely Man Needs Love**

Sometimes when I'm lonely
And feeling blue
It feels like no one cares
And my life is empty too
For I am a man
I need you to take my hand
To show me love

#### A Fool In Love

Girl why did you play me a fool? I didn't see it coming Now I don't know what to do For you may not love me and I am blue My love is here still waiting for you You're here one day the next day your gone It hurts but I'm standing strong As I fed your disease I dropped to my knees Now I'm begging you please To just set me free Girl don't tell me any more lies Stop pretending that you are satisfied Since you don't prove your love for me I need to leave and seek relief I stand by you as a shadow that I am A dark, cold, and lonely man

# A Salty Kiss

Hot and sweaty from the dance They shared a salty kiss and took a chance Seeing each other after a long while Made them suddenly become alive and wild With a passion to get close Holding each other tight as they began to explode Both thinking of a time when salty kisses were cold Dancing in the moonlight warmed their souls It was quite a beautiful sight Singing, dancing, laughing, felt so right Hardly moving to the beat as if frozen A glimpse of happiness was unfolding In a world of their own and feeling weak Kissing as they brushed cheeks Shattered dreams forgotten and broken They entered a new horizon of the unspoken They did not want the night to end So they met at the dance for salty kisses again

#### **Forever**

I will love you forever
God please bless each day we are together
In the morning I shall arise with a smile on my face
In the afternoon I will cherish you until dawn breaks
In the night we'll dance and hold each other tight
Through the years our love will grow
We will thank God for the love we came to know
In heaven we will be by each other's side
Praising God for eternal life
For God has blessed me with you
A love that is everlasting and true

#### Two Of A Kind

They were like Bonnie and Clyde Fell in love at first sight He once was a troubled young man She brought out the best in him Loving and supporting each other Working hard to start a new life together Met their families and felt like they fit in Making each other happy is where it begins She had a challenging life A loving mother always by her side She has a love with him so true Their love made them feel brand new They will weather the time as they wait Until they can be together again some day They both need to complete their careers So they will have a happy life in the coming years Feeling their loss today they trust God for their fate Although it hurts them to be apart they have faith

# Do You Know My Friend?

Do you know my friend?
I'll give you clues lets begin
First, he is full of compassion and love
Second, he loves you even if you mess up
Third, he died for everyone
Furthermore, he is the son
Are you getting warm?
Do you know? Let's go on
He will give you eternity and set you free
Anyone who follows my will and believes
You guessed! Jesus the only one for me

# **Missing You**

I'm missing you and feeling blue
Are you missing me like I'm missing you?
I wish we could go to the dance
Go home for some romance
Take a moonlight walk
After that we could sit and talk
I will listen to every word you say
While holding you tight by the bay
I'm so happy just to be with you
My darling you are the love of my life
I can hardly wait till you are by my side
For my precious wife I am missing you
I thank God for our treasured love so true

#### Laura's Passion

Their passion of love is at height As they feverishly hold each other tonight A long and luscious kiss Tenderly pressing upon their lips Burning with a desire to be together Comforting words of forever Awakened from their changed lives Praising God for being their guide While expressing their compassion For true love that is everlasting Compelled to spend their days Loving each other by God's grace Their love is deep within the depths of their souls A destiny that only lovers know Embracing their passion with sweet desire Whispered words are spoken as they tire Silencing their screams within As ecstasy begins Tender moments unfold For love they will cherish and hold

# Love

Love is sweet
Love is true
Love is thinking of you
Love is free
Love is kind
Love knows that you're mine

## **She Closed The Door**

She is not looking for love anymore For she closed the door Too much pain from love of yesterday She must crawl before she can walk again To heal she needs her spirit to refrain Suddenly she found love Helping others and earning trust She turned to God and surrendered In turn it made her life better She found love within A new beginning When she closed the door She found what she was looking for Feeling like seventeen As the bluebirds sing She's at last reached her dream

# **She Gave Up On Love**

She gave up on love long ago
It hurt her so she let it go
They told her love made ones heart glow
For her it put a hole in her soul
She searched for love for a long time
There just wasn't any love to find
Each time she found love and made a new start
It always ended up breaking her heart
Her broken spirit said love no more
She gave up and closed the door

#### **Destructive Love**

Her blood ripped from her veins
Her whole being consumed with shame
Her jaw tightened with pain
Only she knew her fate
A destined fire of rage
No other lover will be engaged
Flee from thee
Saddened from betrayal
Weak at the knees
For her heart ached
For long sought out peace

#### **Denial Of Affliction**

Abuse causes pain while diminishing ones spirit Words spoken from animosity reach its climax Dreams of approval, acceptance and love wither Painful reality arose its peak denial is broken at last Rage, bitterness, silent scorn, and injustice Is what I see in your eyes, a dark and dreary sight? Portraying to be kind but reality claims its rights Shallow is the lake of vanity in a bleak state Taking away ones honor, dignity, and grace Subtle accusations, proclaim self righteous bait Being one up is detrimental for the lie to partake Spreading like a cancer, and being left out in the cold While inflicting pain, and heartache on ones torn soul Bringing its residue to the gates of death The violence that lived within is laid to rest To protect the mind, heart, and spirit God is called upon to heal from it Sheltering the ones who walk beside him Shedding light on the denial of affliction

# **Happiness In Love**

She glowed as she spoke of him
For the love she feels my friend
He honors her and respects her too
He makes her dreams come true
He changed his life around
Today she picked out her wedding gown
Because of him her heart now sings
Today he picked up their wedding rings
They will be married in June
Following a honeymoon in Cancun
They treasure their newfound love
Proclaiming it as a gift from God

#### Heartache

Heartache attached itself to the dark clouds Redundant pain was left out in the rain Colors of black and gray on the face of a clown Debts of a longing soul flee its pain Squandering the dust of a mist all around Heavy in the night it sustains Tucked deep within a dark and dreary state Reaching frantically to the pearly gates Blindfolded by any light behold the dreams Awakened by torment and the sound of screams Anguished feelings troubled thoughts Love crushed as memories rot Crying tears of a wasted mind One who awaits the healer of time? Aching heart weak at the knees Searching and reaching as one bleeds The fallen joy of sweet bliss Surrenders to memories kiss Desperation calls to the light As heartache seeks peace inside

## He Kissed Me

He kissed me once
He kissed me twice
Oh my he felt so nice
That man of mine
He is so fine
We strolled along the beach
Together we could see
The dawn how we longed
To hold each other tight
In the starry night

#### **A Black Hole**

I'm in a black hole I tried to get out But I've lost all control Like a blizzard in the cold My life is empty and on hold Dark and dreary sad and blue There is nothing left to hold onto No love for me in sight Another lonely heartbreaking night Lost and alone With no real home Searched and searched Seems all my life Could never get it right Been so long since I felt love Life is a burden and so tough Pain seeps through my veins Dreading to face yet more pain I don't understand I did everything Thought I had it all under my wings What went wrong I tried so hard All that's left are the scars Of a lonely soul for no one to love No kisses for me not even a hug I will look to the future and trust God

# **A New Day**

A new day to learn a new way
A chance for new opportunities
A new friend or a lover
Maybe to learn a new mystery
Time for an invention
Time to pay attention to a new day
Perhaps a new direction
Just unlock the key

# **Today I Taught A Special Class**

Today I taught a special class
They learned the lessons rather fast
Bright and eager to learn
The discipline was fair yet firm
Teachers like to inspire
Students like to be admired
They support one another
Shedding love for their sisters and brothers
The students hope to succeed
To believe in themselves while following their dreams

## **A Visit From The Past**

Upon waking I smelled your scent
As I laid in bed to rest
My eyes caught a glimpse of the radiant beauty
Only you possess
My heart ached as I saw
Tears running down your face
I reached out to hold you
I felt a chilled embrace
I stood near the hall
Suddenly your spirit vanished
Into the walls
Wondered if this was a dream
Did you come back to me?
Someday our love will once more be
Together again for all of eternity

#### **Alone**

I hear the dead silence In the long, cold, and lonely night Wish I had someone special by my side I am trying hard to believe God has not forgotten about me I wake up each morning and nothing has changed The loneliness in my soul is back again Will I ever be loved and happy or is this my destiny I promise to keep strong and hold on tight As I lay my head down tonight Please lord help me to do things right Let me know I am not alone in this fight Help me to be grateful for what I have That there is no reason to feel so sad After all with life there is hope I don't need to sit around and mope There is a whole world out there I have so much love in my heart to share Thank you God for hearing my prayer

#### Did You Ever Wonder?

What it would be like living life In a world without strife Everyone has a loving God Living in peace, hope, and love With no war, disease, or poverty Food and necessities are plentiful Nature is beautiful and resourceful Families happily living together Bringing out the best in each other Children are carefree and joyful Lovers are true to each other Teachers teach to inspire Elders are cared for and remain hopeful Minorities are excepted and respected by all People do not need to put up walls Animals are treated with love and compassion Friends are supportive and understanding People practice spirituality and meditation Suffering does not exist Only happiness and bliss Did you ever wonder?

## **Emerald**

Georgia is a jewel to be treasured
Her kindness will always be remembered
Lovely as can be
Sweet as chocolate
Calm as the sea
A Pastors wife
A singer in her church
Helps others in their search
Inspires others too
I am blessed for knowing you

## **Enchanted Beauty**

You are beautiful just as you are
I see you as a shining star
Nothing about you needs to be changed
You bring sunshine when it rains
Pure and sweet you made my life complete
The beauty of love flows from you to me
As we share our love unconditionally
My heart was consumed of pain
Because of you I can love again
You stand out from all the rest
My heart and soul is at its best

#### From Love To Abuse

Thoughts of you bring on heartache Used to think that our love was fate I believed we would last forever You said you had a right to lose your temper Back then it seemed you really cared Then you changed how could I ever prepare You raged when my loved ones were around I learned to be careful not to make a sound It was painful when the monster came out in you The push across the room left me black and blue Forced to leave as my love was shattered It hurt so much being battered You yelled at me and told me to change Consumed with guilt and shame A diminished spirit will never be the same I tried hard to get it right It takes courage to start a new life

# I Said A Prayer For You Today

I said a prayer for you today
I asked God to send his angels your way
To love and guide you day by day
Watch over you in all that you do
Give you faith, hope, and love
While sending his love to you from up above
The angels will lesson your fears
Guide you and dry all of your tears
Watch over those you hold dear
I love you more than words could ever say
In my heart you will always stay
I pray for you to have a wonderful life
With lots of love, happiness, fun, and little strife

## I See Your Pain

I see your pain
It shows on your face
Did you ever begin to pray?
Ask God to be with you in your pain
Just give him a chance it's the only way
You will never be the same
Now take his hand
He is waiting for you
It's all in the plan and his love is true

## **My Sandbox**

When I was young I remember playing In my sandbox I played In the dirt Celebrating the earth Creating things Like images My sister Susan Joined me sometimes I stayed outside Even if I was hurt Mom often called Me to go inside I stayed behind Playing in my sandbox How I miss those times

## Only a Few

Went to the tavern to have just a few
Never stopped drinking until after two
That was before I ever knew
The pain and heartache it could cause
How I would lose everything that I loved
Losing my dignity and feeling shame
Always wondering who or what I could blame
Today it is not the same
Thank God there is no more remorse and pain
For I have found a new way
By turning my life over to God day by day
The new life I have made and new friends I've met
Led me to a brighter future with few regrets
My family can now depend upon me
Surrendering to my disease has set me free

# Spring A New Beginning

The smell in the air leaves one breathless From flowers blooming and grass freshness To hear the birds chirp and children' glee Makes a new beginning for all to see Come on everyone lets go have some fun We persevered all year Anticipation is in the air There is nothing to compare to spring A warm embrace blows on your face It is a glorious day to go out and play We can say goodbye to our coats Lovers take a ride in a boat It is so wonderful to be alive Our hearts feel young and light It's time to spread springs cheer To all and loved ones we hold dear We thank God that spring is finally here

## **Silent Rain**

I feel the tears
From younger years
I hear the cries
I feel inside
I smell the scent of days gone by
I ask myself why
The rain falls silently tonight

# **The Apples Were Juicy**

We ate the bright red juicy apples
At first we were only going to dabble
But they were so appealing and delicious
The children hid them and they got into mischief
Apples were everywhere they even bit the cords
We found apples on the ground outdoors
With belly aches the children didn't understand
Eating too many apples put them in an awful jam

## A Mother's Day Wish

I admire you for being a great mother The way you love your girls Payton and Amelia You give them love, care, and direction You have an outstanding connection You take the time to teach, empower, and inspire Always putting them first before yourself and others Taking time to read and monitor the TV You teach them to pray To live life day by day You are consistent when you discipline Helping them to gain control of themselves again You teach them valuable lessons You sacrifice for them too While teaching them the golden rule You encourage them to make good choices Their spirituality shines through their little voices Happy Mothers day God bless you and your girls too

#### A Mother's Love

When you were born I was amazed
It was fun being with you every day
As I gazed into your big brown eyes
Your bright smile had me hypnotized
When I read a story to you each night
You said I love you mommy as I put out the light
As you napped with your monkey doll on your lap
I sang to you and rubbed your back
You were such a joy when you were my little boy
Now you are grown and you are still a joy
With two children of your own I am so glad
I am so proud of how you are such a wonderful dad

#### A Sister's Grief

Shedding tears of her sisters fate
Showed sadly on her face
Overcome with fear and pain
Seeking relief day by day
The distant and dismal smile
Was never her style to display?
She tried to relinquish it
As others came together to pray
Her frail body and pale drawn face
An anguished spirit was losing faith
Yet undying hope as she grapples to cope
With her sisters illness she won't give up hope
She trusts God and needs love the most

## **A Tribute For My Meme**

Dear Meme How I cherish you My eternal love for you is true You have always been there for me From the moment I was born into my teens You lovingly watched over me too Held me when I cried until I cooed Rocked me in the rocking chair for hours Sang me songs with pure splendor Devoted your life to help me grow Taught me almost everything I know I love you so much I never want to let you go When you die I will be blue Save me a place in heaven next to you You taught me how to pray To trust in God and have faith You touched my spirit my life I love you Meme my guardian light

# **A Visit From My Son**

For Michael

When I received your call last night
You said you were ill and did not feel quite right
I took care of you and held you tight
As I kissed you on your cheek
You told me you loved me
I sang you a lullaby and you fell asleep

#### Untitled

When we first met I was taken by surprise My dear sister who was left behind By life's fate and circumstances Yes we met at one of the dances Pretty as a picture sweet as can be I could never forget you it was meant to be We had so much in common you and I I see myself through your beautiful eyes Our lives had been so much alike I tried to carry on and go my way I ran into you just the other day The only thing I felt for you was love I'm so sorry things for us were so tough Please know I love you and I'm sure dad does too Life can be cruel and so unfair I want you to know how much I care God's love is forever, true, and kind He is walking besides you and I

#### **Dear God**

My eyes swelled up from crying in the night Been too long since I had someone to hold me tight I stare at the walls in disbelief and shock My once soft heart has turned to hard rock There is no one who is right for me I am beginning to feel like I am a freak I just can't seem to connect Feels like I am in a real mess The years are passing me by Why can't I have some one special by my side? I know your busy Lord and you don't have the time I realize others have it far worse than me So forgive me for acting so selfishly I am only human Lord so please Give me faith, love, courage, and peace It would be nice to have the right one for me

#### **Dear Mom And Dad**

Dear Mom and Dad First of all I love you
Even though growing up was tough
There was dysfunction and I felt hurt and confused
I was sad when you hurt me and it was rough
No one is born a parent I've made mistakes too
Were all older now and I want to begin brand new
To put the past behind us and forgive and forget
For the rest of our lives be there for each other
Love one another and leave behind the rest
God knows it isn't easy being a parent or a daughter
He loves us all so much and wants us to have peace
Mom and Dad this is all that really matters to me
Let me love you and let's heal before it's to late
I'll break down the walls will you too please?

# **Diane's Strength And Courage**

For my sister Diane

A quiet child with a good nature A wonderful daughter, sister, and mother She is always thinking of others I am blessed to have such a special sister You were there for me years ago when I was down It broke your heart but you came around To support me and to tell me the truth What would I have done without you? You have worked so hard to make a good life When we were young we had our share of strife It wasn't easy to be Ron's wife So you brought up your children alone I admire how you made them a happy home When you went back to school to get your masters You had challenges but you found your answers Now you teach technology in a school I am so very proud of you My love is forever and true

## **For My Special Nephews**

My Nephews Greg, Martin, Ryan, and Nicky are neat They are loyal, handsome, and sweet Creative, intelligent, I could go on and on But their kindness is what touches me most It has been a pleasure to watch their success unfold I love them so much and I want them to know They have been through life's trials like the rest of us Yet they take the time for others and try to touch Everyone they meet they leave a mark of compassion Their humor leaves you at ease as you are laughing They stand by their friends and family with devotion They believe in their selves and show their emotions Touched by their spirits of good will and love I thank them for their love and our God above I wish them happiness, joy, and peace I pray for them each night as I'm on my knees

## My Nieces Are One Of A Kind

My nieces Holly, April, Cynthia, and Shannon Are special to me and they are so understanding They have always been loving, kind, and sweet They were adorable babies and children you see No others in this world could ever compete Because of the way they love and accept me I thank them for always being there my sweet nieces They have become successful in all that they do With loving spirits as they shine on through They are beautiful and a gift to our world They have compassion for every boy and girl They treat others with honor and respect Humbly taking their losses with little regrets For they have love and goodness in their souls The world needs them to help others grow Their tenderness has touched me deep in my soul I am very lucky to have them, as I grow old God bless them and stay close by their sides I pray for their happiness as I lay down tonight

# My Daughter Is Grown Up

As I went into your room tonight Your television was gone Suddenly I felt empty inside It hit me hard the new life you will start I'm feeling kind of left behind Last night you were on my mind I remember the day you were born I felt so happy and warm When I saw you for the first time Where did the years go Tracy? It is so hard to believe With your TV gone it made me face reality I wanted to give you the world when you were my little girl We danced together and sang our songs Felt like nothing could go wrong Now your all grown up and you stand strong I want you to know as you leave The happiest day of my life was when you were conceived

# **Happy Birthday Cindy**

For my sister

Happy birthday to you May all of your dreams come true? I am lucky to have you here with me You are kind, loving, and oh so sweet You have a great sense of humor and are so much fun I remember when your life had just begun I used to take care of you when you were small Watching over you, as you grew to be tall I will always remember your amazing smile You were such a beautiful baby and a happy child You grew up to be such a remarkable woman Sacrificed your life for your precious children The challenges in life that you now face You try hard to handle them with dignity and grace I will always be here for you as you have been for me My birthday wish sis is happiness, love, and peace

#### Mama

For Barbara

The little girl was covered
In a warm blanket of love
Her mother flew up above
Peacefully like a dove
Heaven called her home too soon
Saddened with a heart of gloom
An angel cared for her body and soul
Saved her from the freezing cold
Back from the blizzard of death
Warm and loved again sheltered like a birds nest

# **Happy Birthday Donna Marie**

Today is my birthday It is here at last Another year older I am going to have a blast I plan to sleep in Then lay in the sun After that I will have some fun Go out to dinner with my daughter Take time to give thanks for another year Thank God for the ones that I hold dear Reminisce of years gone by Miss those who have died Celebrate the life God has given to me Even through my times of grief I have learned lessons through the mystery Of life, my life, what a blessing Being here loving my children and grandchildren Special friends God has blessed me with Remembering all the fun things we did On my birthday dear God I pray to you To have a thankful heart for all that you do

# **How Will I Miss Myself When I Die?**

I'll miss my bright smile and the twinkle in my eyes My golden hair and rosy cheeks The long legs that carried me My warm heart and the tears that I cried For all the love I had inside I will miss my feet and all the dancing The happy times and all the laughing My hands and all that they touched Two beautiful children as they grew up Four Grandchildren who touched my heart and soul Who gave me love to cherish and hold Friends and family who stood by me Spirituality that made my life complete All the students I watched succeed For my life would mean nothing without all of you I will surely miss all of you too

# **Nicky**

I waited patiently for you to be born
The angels tooted their horns
Mommy and daddy were so excited
We were all delighted
It brought me back to a time
When daddy was a baby of mine
I love you my darling dear
I am so glad you are finally here
Always know how much we all care

# **Thoughts On My Graduation Day**

When I was in college I really grew
I learned of things I never knew
I learned more about abuse and adversities
It taught me more about the gift of empathy
Working with caring students from around the world
The professors who believed in me were wonderful
It opened my eyes to life's realities
To use my voice and fight for injustice and peace
I thank all who have inspired me to succeed
For the wonderful students who touched me
It was more than a degree that I received
A heartfelt love and concern for all humanity

### **Sadie We Miss You**

You were our dog for years
Suddenly you're no longer here
Can't seem to stop these tears
You protected our precious children
Spending hours playing with them
The only thing you wanted from us was love
We wish we could give you more hugs
How you loved the children and your treats
You will never leave our hearts Sadie
When I looked into your big brown eyes
I saw the love you had for your family inside
We will see you in heaven and be by your side
Payton, mommy, Emelia, and I will always keep your
memory alive

#### Stroke

When I came to visit you mom today You were slouched in you chair as if you didn't care No vision to see is that you Donna Marie? Your head was down and you were dressed in a gown You seemed confused no need to watch the news You heard the songs you used to play No piano lessons will be taught today You said I miss my piano students tell them I'm ok Awakened by your roommates snores Eating has become such a chore Can't see the colors in your favorite foods anymore Seems your losing your dignity The Nurses Assistant relieved you around three You wonder why your children are so upset You asked me how did I end up like this? Is this a motel what is that awful smell? Who are those people screaming? You said you must have been dreaming

### **My Pepe**

You were my hero Pepe when I was young Told me funny jokes you were so much fun Gave me presents and chocolate ice cream I remember you telling me you biggest dream To see your four granddaughters turn thirteen Disheartened when you died for it wasn't meant to be Pacing the floors that night as the clock struck three I took care of you when you had a stroke Being paralyzed and depressed you no longer joked You changed into someone new It was hard to believe it was you When I saw you so different that day It left me feeling torn and dismayed I did not know what to do Realizing you were a sick man trying to understand What my sisters and I need to do All I can do now is pray

# **Tiger**

Tiger how we love you
Our precious kitten
Our affection for you is true
Your cute and adorable ways
Make our lives happy every day
You purr as we hold you tight
Lay next to Payton on her bed each night
How we enjoy your company
You make our family complete

#### **Hit Number Unknown**

Her mom is eighty today the family celebrates
She nervously approaches mom
Wonders when the hit will take place
She looks pretty dressed in white lace
Slumped down in her wheelchair
Her daughter strokes her soft white hair
The scars of dysfunction caused trauma to her soul
Her mom storms at her now everyone knows
She's chilled from the cold and chooses to go
To protect her soul from the hit number unknown
Mom blind from the stroke and her child in the cold
Her daughter knows when you walk with God your never
alone

# **My Daughter's Graduation**

To Tracie

Today is your graduation and I am so proud of you I'm already missing you for your moving out soon I can hardly believe it is here It is bringing me tears for I hold you so dear You filled my world when you were my little girl Just you and I how you colored my world You gave me so much love when I was twenty-one It was the day you just begun Today is a new journey for you too I pray that all of your dreams come true I know we can't stay together forever You will make your life better Because you have faith, hope, and love I hope I showed you enough I know at times it was tough You are strong every where you go you belong Never lose the wonderful woman that you are In my eyes you are my shining star

# On My Daughter's Wedding Day

I am feeling happy yet sad today On Tracy's wedding day The marble church is a lovely setting Everyone is excited about the wedding Family and friends are here Memories of Tracy I hold so dear The fall weather is incredible The groom appears to be lovable We have all come together to see them wed Tears come to my eyes from the poem Brian said I glance at Tracy she is so beautiful and mature I sense Brains love for her is secure Everyone congratulates the bride and groom My heart stops as they enter the reception room Many pictures are taking from the crowd I stand proud as tears pour down For today I gave my baby away Forever in my heart she will always stay

# **My Loving Meme**

She always told me to try and be patient As she soaked my aching feet in the basin When I painted my nails and wanted to go outside Not yet dear your pretty nails need to dry During lent she made pretty boxes for Easter candy It's not easy waiting for Easter she just smiled at me My three sisters and I watched the Wizard of Oz Her treat for us just because I miss you Meme I loved you so very much I miss your smile and your tender touch You were always so nice to me I will love you for all eternity So much has changed since you passed away The world is a much different place But I remember the values you taught me To have patience, faith, love, and peace

# **Happy Mothers Day Mom**

Happy mothers day to you
May all of your dreams come true
When I was your little girl
You were there to watch me grow
Taught me the things I needed to know
As I became a teen you held me tight
When my boyfriend broke up with me
You said it would be all right
You cried the day I moved out to make a new start
You said it wasn't easy and it broke your heart
You know me better than anyone else in this world
You told me I would always be your little girl
On this mothers day my wish for you
Is to know how blessed I am to have a mom like you

# Happy Father's Day Dad

You are the best dad that any one could have I am sorry for the times I make you sad Especially for the times I was bad and made you mad You always forgave me and let it go I'm grateful for this and I wanted you to know I remember the times you took me to special places Always remembering my birthday and Christmas I will treasure this forever in my heart Thank you for all of the lessons you taught It was so much fun going for a ride in your boat The money you gave mom to buy me a new coat When you helped me out and I needed a hand You never asked for anything back You just wanted me to stay on the right track You wanted to be proud of me I really hope that you are For in my eyes you will always be my shining star Happy Fathers Day Dad

# A Teenage Friend Those Teenage Years

My friend Gwen is so sweet
We have fun together each time we meet
When we dance we find sweet romance
We are so cool and tight we party through the night
Everyone knows our bond is so strong
No one could come between us not for long
We click together like Bonnie and Clyde
We blast the radio when we go for a ride
We check out the guys, laugh, and pray
We live our life to the fullest day by day

### **A Special Friend**

For Ronald

Writing my poetry has been an amazing journey Many special people inspired me They supported me along the way To write the words I needed to say I saw so much good in mankind A special friend helped when there were trying times He showed me the tools that gave me relief Took the time to support and teach me To him he was just helping out and tried hard It was his kindness that really touched my heart He gave me encouragement when things were rough Showing me the way when things got tough I could not have completed my book It was wonderful how he just understood I needed these tools to fulfill my dream Thank you so much Ronald for helping me I wish him a life full of happiness, love, and peace

### **Define a Best Friend**

For Lynn

How to define a best friend She believes in you until the very end Encourages you when you are down Uplifts your soul when no one can be found Shares her sense of humor while enjoying laughs Comforts you when your lonely or feeling sad Motivates you to never give up Reminding you to smile when things get tough Empowering you to fulfill your dreams Spends fun times with you while singing in the spring Her smile melts your troubles away Making life brighter day by day Treasures your friendship when you are apart Brings out the best in you she'd never try to change To her your the best there's nothing to rearrange Cherishes the friendship that only you two share Taking time for you shows how much she cares For to have a friend like her makes your life better She is your best friend now and will be forever

#### Elsie

Elsie grew up in Texas with her family
Being the eldest she helped with the children
She wanted a girl and to get married
As she grew older she worked on the farm
She enjoyed picking cotton corn
She went to school by horse and buggy
The summers were long and muggy
In the winters she walked to school in the cold
She plowed through the snow all the way home
The man of her dreams left her for another
She stood strong and thought of others
Elsie now one hundred and one
Loves talking about Texas when she was young
Elsie's life back then was neat
Simple yet quite complete

# **Easter With Danny**

To Danny with all my love

It's Easter morning Danny and I'm thinking of you We were always together and ate around two You were the best friend I ever knew I cooked you ham, potatoes, and peas You ate happily as you smiled up at me You loved me so much you were never in a rush How I miss your tender touch There you stood dressed in your favorite suit You came out running soon as I'd toot The horn it was such a beautiful morn I fed you like a king it made my heart sing You gave to me all you had and some after that You were the dad I never had imagine that I will never be able to repay all that you did You treated me like your own kid It hurt when you died how I cried You planted a seed of love that taught me to fly Oh Danny how I hate goodbyes trying to be good So one day I will be in heaven with you by your side

# **To My Friends**

Thank you dear friends who stood by me For giving me strength and helping me cope With life's ups and downs lovingly Thanks so much for giving me hope For teaching me to never give up On myself when I had wanted to Somehow you knew I needed your touch You put up with my many moods I can't even imagine how hard it was for you For the pride that always got in my way You showed me how to live life day by day By reaching out when things got tough God I love you all so very much We had fun and shared many laughs We cried together when we were sad I wish you the best, love, hope, and peace Thank you all for being there for me

### A Broken Heart

When you have a broken heart it hurts You may want to vanish from the earth To escape its pain you try many things Make attempts to go back with your love If it doesn't work you feel sad and stuck Wanting to be happy again you eat chocolate If that doesn't work you try other measures to fix it Maybe you call a friend to cry your heart out Sometimes you feel blue so you sit around and pout After awhile that gets old so you go out Everyone you meet just doesn't measure up So you sit home again and get in a rut You reach for the ice cream and gain a few pounds You get lonely because no one is around So you join a Gym and get into shape Feeling guilty for all the junk food you ate After awhile you feel a little better But you still feel under the weather So you think of how it used to be You fantasize and make believe That they will call you any day now But the phone is silent and you lose your smile Finally you tell yourself you must go on You socialize again and friends ask what's wrong? You just can't pretend so you cry And cry and cry but you want to be happy You find out they are now married You pray and think of others You visit your mother She soothes your broken heart Tell you to make a new start So you find out what makes you happy You no longer want to be crabby Going out starts to be fun Making new friends with everyone After some time goes by You meet a wonderful gal or guy

#### For Ron

Ron is a true friend and a terrific fellow He is always there to listen and lend an ear Helps others in need he is simply wonderful Tries to guide you and lesson your fears His sense of humor will brighten your day His remarkable intelligence is a gift from God He shares it with others in his thoughtful ways Always considerate and goes above and beyond He is a spiritual man and trusts in his Higher Power His smile is like a bright sunny day in May He is a gift to our world for he is like no other I am grateful for my friend Ron he makes my day God bless you Ron and never change who you are Thank you for being there for me when I needed you For in my eyes you are a shining sparkling star We are all blessed for having a friend so true May God shed his grace and love on you

# **Happy Children**

The children are happily playing
Running, skipping, and jumping
Swimming at the pool
There is so much to do
When you are a child
You have a bright smile
Their innocence touches you heart
One can let down their guards
They are loyal to their pets
Children have a ball making a mess
They know how to let their spirits go free
Reminding us all how life used to be

# For Our Beautiful Baby Girl

Soon you will fill mommy and daddies world
I want you to see me as a successful father
God has blessed you with a wonderful mother
Someday you may have a little brother
We love you so much we can't wait to hold you
It doesn't matter if your eyes are brown or blue
If your hair is dark or light with curls too
We will work hard to make your dreams come true
We will help you succeed in school
Always protecting and standing by you
I want you to be proud of mom and me
A father and mother who will never leave
While God is watching over our precious family

# **Forgiveness**

He quickly spoke his thoughts
Caring little if they left painful knots
Inside her heart and mind
How long must she pay
For a debt of yesterday
Make amends hoping someday to be friends
Redundant words punctured like a sword
She prayed Dear Lord...
Time to walk away from the one who hates
For she cannot erase
She leaves with this thought
For the one who once did hate
I needed peace so I forgave

### **Emerald Eyes**

He has emerald eyes of green
Like a precious jewel to be seen
Others touched by their light
Portraying his life's struggles and strife
They show his compassion to succeed
A desire for love, happiness, and peace
His eyes brightens one's way
Like a spring day in May
Beautiful eyes with radiant light
Portrays a glow deep in the night

### Sarah

A woman who stands out in a crowd
She is true to herself and stands proud
Humble is she as she engages with others
She is quite the remarkable young mother
Her long dark glowing hair
Rosy cheeks and her clear complexion is fair
Her smile is contagious and laughter is outrageous
Always extends a warm embrace
Elegant and extravagant in her taste

### **Sunshine**

As she walked into the room it filled with sunshine Pretty as a picture smart and wise She is trying to leave her past behind Often speaks of her home in Maine Dedicated to make her future bright Assists the teacher and helps her friends Her dream is to own her own restaurant Working diligently to make things right Hope in her heart and love in her soul Looking forward to a bright life Her smile will ease your pain Bringing one back to brighter days Yet her motivation is quite clear Spreading happiness in all her ways Makes one happy lessening fears Interdependent stylish and sheik A faith that earns respect Shows inner strength and is far from weak

# **Time To Say Goodbye**

The love I have for you will always stay alive
As I leave we may all break down and cry
It's never easy saying goodbye
We will remember the good times
You have all touched my life
Try to recall what I taught you
Remember to hold your heads high
Stand tall and walk with pride
Take the time to be kind
Learn from your past but leave it behind
Keep your loved ones close by your side
Trust in God and keep your spirits alive

# **Today's Child**

Society is troubled children are suffering
The result is violence in our streets and schools
No one seems sure of what to do
Many concerned people from all walks of life
Try hard to make a difference in children's lives
All of society needs to participate
So teachers can educate today's child
There was another shooting today
A child too young to go to their grave
The violence in our schools and streets
Leave us all in shock and disbelief
The time has come we must all take a stand
To end the violence in Americas homeland
For tomorrow is the future for today's child

# **A Very Special Young Man**

Almost eighteen years old is my dear friend You'd never know it by talking to him He's been through too many losses for his young life He is handsome, strong, faithful, caring, and wise I have never known him to be anything but kind Helps others in need always seems to find the time He inspired me to write such a special friend Offers support, advice, and encouragement He lost both parents at the age of four Still keeps a picture of them that he adores Adopted at the age of ten when a tragedy happened His adopted parents died in an accident His spirit was broken but he remained resilient He took care of his baby brother and tried to survive Living in the woods with him was a tough life But he loved him and did what he could When his brother got sick that day in the woods He brought him to a hospital for care It was then they were adopted and things seemed fair One year ago he and his brother were in an accident His brother died, although he was hurt he didn't Living his life to the fullest for his brother For he loves him and always will like no other Losing his girl recently broke his heart He is currently working hard to make a new start Having a dream to be in the army is no surprise to me In spite of his losses he wants to protect his country The world is a better place because of a spirit of love He deserves to be happy and blessed

### **Tsunami**

The smell of death
The sight of destruction
The voices of suffering
The tidal wave came
Then lives were swept away
Hearts were breaking
The grief was overwhelming by those who survived
Broke their spirits as their loved ones died
The dedication of the reconstruction
Marked a new beginning

# **Twilight Time**

I fly over the moon
And through the stars
As I float on Mars
I make a new start
Dashing through heaven
I see a beautiful sight
Colors of the rainbow
To rays of bright lights
I'm sent to the earth
To reclaim my birth
To begin my new life
With love in my heart
And God by my side

# **Women In Society**

Why is it women seem to be
Often victims of our society
I ask myself what is wrong
We all need to stand strong
Women tend to be caretakers of our world
Why is it mothers are so concerned for their girls
When I hear the news or read the paper
There has been domestic abuse, rape, or murder
There are other types of violence it is true
But women suffer injustice and adversities too
I think that awareness and education are the keys
To protect women and all victims in our society

#### **Reflections Of Your Soul**

For Mrs. Thomas

Do you know? The reflections You have on souls? Do you see the love that unfolds? I see it in the eyes of the oppressed The children who are depressed The women who struggle to empower Themselves in the midnight hour It shows in the aggressions of a man When you reach out your hand To make a difference While making a change You still remain The same Who you are Standing strong and fighting for Justice, love, and peace Never tiring easily Looking for opportunities To touch a soul Love I have come to know In spite of it all You stood tall Took a stand For the good of man

# The Magic Of John

John is handsome, charming, and wise Surely he has my attention and caught my eye Watching, dancing, moving to the beat John is tender and sweet Smiling, laughing, joking, and having fun Our friendship has just begun A heart and soul are touched He moves my spirit so much Awakened from his tender love Smiles, grins, dancing spins Can hardly wait till I see him again My spirit was softened by a vision of love A smile so bright A gentle hug A dance, a spin, and enduring grin A special friend

# The Space In-Between My Heart

The space in-between my heart
Feels alone and terribly dark
It lays hardened yet quite protected
Its surroundings are dull and extremely infected
With a coating of dust which covers its interior
A dimmed light is shattered in the rear
The components are covered with a mist
Portraying visions of love that were missed
Spurts of water seeps to drown memories sounds
Emptiness fills a cushion all around
Attempts of filling the space are made
While seeping through leaving a large trace
My heart feels weary from this dreary space
So it sheds love and tenderness to take its place

#### Where Is God?

For My Students

I see him in your smile He is in the twinkle of your eyes He has gifted you with a dazzling style Comforted you with the tears you cried When you hug me just because For the many ways you have touched My soul by taking me for who I am Inspiring me and bringing out the best For being a true and remarkable friend Being there when I needed you at my quest While searching for love when I needed to mend My broken dreams and not sure of where to start As I carry on with my journey of life I see God in your spirit and loving hearts Truly grateful to have you all by my side I feel God in my heart, mind, and soul Touched by love I never knew Because of you his love I have come to know But for the grace of God I am renewed Where is God? Why he lives in you and me For where there is love I can see-God

# **My Secret Love**

When I see you my heart is awakened The feelings I have for you are not mistaken While you light up my emotions and touch my soul You take me for a ride to the unknown A gentle spirit that melts all of my sadness and pain Making the sun appear and washing away all the rain Your bright smile sharpens my senses In the still of the night you ease my loneliness An adoring look is captured like magic Bringing me love, peace, and happiness When you sing a super star is born You make me feel sheltered and warm A feeling of youth and innocence is felt Just the thought of you makes my heart melt My love for you is a secret I need to conceal Because I am too shy for my love to unveil

# **Touched By An Angel**

When you walked into the room
Suddenly a light shined on everyone
Your smile took away all the gloom
Being joyful and full of fun
A tender heart you shared with all
I hope to spend special times with you soon
Touching others by your charm is your call
I will always remember your amazing faith
Always bringing out the best in others
While spreading joy and happy days
Sharing love with your sisters and brothers
Thanks for the wonderful person that you are
You truly have touched my heart