

The Lord is My Shepherd; I shall not want. He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; He leadeth me beside the still waters. He restoreth my soul. He leadeth me in the path 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.

P1
Psalm 23

Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

P2
The Lord's Prayer

*I'd like the memory of me
To be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
Of smiles when day is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
Whispering softly down the ways,
Of happy times and laughing times
And bright and sunny days.
I'd like the tears of those who grieve
To dry before the sun
Of happy memories that I leave behind,
When the day is done.*

-Helen Lowrie Marshall

P3
Afterglow

*I'm sorry I had to leave you.
My loved ones, oh so dear.
But you see, the Master called me,
His voice was very clear!
I had made my reservation
A heaven bound ticket for one,
And I knew that He would call me
When He felt my work was done.
I know that your hearts are heavy
Because I have gone away,
But when the Master called me,
I knew that I could not stay.
Yes, I'm sorry I had to leave you
My loved ones, oh so dear,
But, you see, the Master called me
And, now I'm resting here.
Yes, I've crossed on over to glory
And to you all I say
Just stay in the hands of Jesus
And we'll meet again someday.*

-Author unknown

P4
The Master Called

*When I come to the end of the
road and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little-but not too long,
and not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared,
Miss me-but let me go.
For this is a journey that we all must take,
And each must go alone.
It's all part of the Master's plan,
A step on the road to home.
When you are lonely and sick at heart,
Go to the friends we know.
Laugh at the things we use to do
Miss me-but let me go.*

-author unknown

P5
Miss Me, But Let Me Go

*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 the close of day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it up with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Oh, 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 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 heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, He set me free!*

-author unknown

P6
I'm Free

*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*

-Author unknown

P7
Serenity Prayer

*"Be not afraid" the Master said,
"I'm with you always," so instead
Of shouldering my cross alone,
I place my burden on His own.
For I'm not nearly strong enough,
To make it when the going's rough,
And it's a comfort to believe
"You need but ask Me to receive"
Handed down to me through time,
These blessed words of hope,
and I'm Renewed in spirit to recall
"Am I not Father to you all?"
One day these feet shall cease to roam,
Earth's but my temporary home
I was in truth for Heaven made,
And so I shall not be afraid.*

-Author unknown

#P8
Be Not Afraid

*When I must leave you for a little while
Please do not grieve and shed wild tears
And hug your sorrow to you through the years
But start out bravely with a gallant smile
And for my sake and in my name
Live on and do all things the same
Feed not your loneliness on empty days
But fill each waking hour in useful ways
Reach out your hand in comfort and in cheer
And I in turn will comfort you
And hold you near
And never, never be afraid to die
For I am waiting for you in the sky!*

-Helen Steiner Rice

P9
When I Must Leave You

As you complete this temporary journey
 you have embraced our hearts
 Yes we mourn but realize this is where your life
 truly starts your smile sparkled greater
 than silver and gold We're willing to let go of
 your hand so that God can grab hold . We will
 always love you as you have continued to love us
 all we ask now is that you look down while you
 are above us we are grateful that God put us in
 the midst of your presence we breathe with your
 memory and walk with your essence. The Lord is
 our Shepherd He tends to us as sheep and mends
 the hearts that are weak until one day we can
 shake his hand and sit at his feet we don't think of
 you as a loss to our family that remains We
 cherish you as a beautiful angel that heaven has
 gained!

-Author unknown

P10

Heaven Has Gained An Angel

You can shed tears that he is gone,
 Or you can smile because he lived,
 You can close your eyes and pray that he will
 come back, Or you can open your eyes and
 see all that he has left. Your heart can be
 empty because you can't see him Or you can
 be full of the love that you shared, You can
 turn your back on tomorrow and live
 yesterday, Or you can be happy for tomorrow
 because of yesterday. You can remember him
 and only that he is gone or you can cherish
 his memory and let it live on, You can cry and
 close your mind be empty and turn your back,
 Or you can do what he would want: smile,
 open your eyes, love and go on.

-Author unknown

P11

He Is Gone

I've closed my eyes and fallen asleep,
 So there's no reason for you to weep;
 This is a debt we all must pay,
 You will see me again someday.
 I've endured pain and sometimes sorrow,
 Now I don't have to worry about tomorrow.
 But life for you must go on,
 You must not worry because I'm gone.
 You stood beside me all the way,
 When I was down, you knew what to say ...
 You always told me, "get some rest,"
 Let me sleep now, I've done my best.
 So please let me rest in peace,
 The tears you're shedding soon will cease.
 You'll soon realize this was meant to be, I
 thank God because He came for me.

-Emily Dickinson

P12

Asleep

Death is nothing at all - I have only slipped
 away into the next room. Whatever we were to
 each other, that we are still. Call me by my old
 familiar name, speak to me in the easy way
 which you always used. Laugh as we always
 laughed at the little jokes we enjoyed together.
 Play, smile, think of me, pray for me. Let my
 name be the household word it always was. Let
 it be spoken without effort. Life means all that
 it ever meant. It is the same as it ever was:
 there is absolutely unbroken continuity. Why
 should I be out of your mind because I am out
 of your sight? I am but waiting for you, for an
 interval, somewhere very near, just around the
 corner. All is well. Nothing is past: nothing is
 lost. One brief moment and all will be as before
 — only better, infinitely happier and forever we
 will all be one together with Christ.

-Author unknown

P13

Togetherness

To those I love and those that love me,
 When I am gone, release me, let me go
 I have so many things to see and do
 You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears
 Be happy that we had so many years.
 I gave you my love, you can only guess
 How much you gave me in happiness
 I thank you for the love you each have shown
 But now it's time I travel alone
 So grieve for a while for me if you must
 Then let your grief be comforted by trust.
 It's only for a while that we must part
 So bless the memories within your heart
 I won't be far away, for life goes on
 So if you need me, call and I will come
 Though you can't see me or touch me, I'll be near
 And if you listen with your heart you'll hear
 All my love around you so soft and clear
 And then, when you must come this way alone
 I'll greet you with a smile and say,
 "Welcome Home."

-Author unknown

P14

To Those I Love

Don't spend too much time in mourning,
 Tears are for the sad;
 I left to be with Jesus
 And this should make you glad.
 Don't waste your hours in grieving,
 No need to feel distress;
 I'm tired of life's frustrations
 And had to get some rest.
 Don't puzzle yourself with questions
 Or try to reason why
 Life here for me was ended,
 It came my time to die.
 Don't lose the love I gave you
 Feed it with your care;
 Grow it with devotion
 And spread it everywhere.
 Don't fret because my leaving
 Came in such a way;
 We'll have another meeting
 In God's eternal day.

-Author unknown

P15

Don't

God saw she was getting tired
 And a cure was not to be
 So He gently closed those loving eyes
 And whispered "Come to me"
 The days of toil and nights of pain
 The weary hours have passed
 The patient gentle worn out frame
 Has found sweet rest at last.
 Day and night we stood by her
 And saw her in pain,
 Anxiously awaiting her cure
 But our waiting was in vain.
 God who knoweth all things best
 Eased her suffering, gave her rest
 She is gone but not forgotten,
 Never will our memories fade
 Sweetest thoughts of her will ever linger
 Round the place where she rests.

-Author unknown

P16

Come to me

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 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". The LORD
 replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I
 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".

-Mary Stevenson

P17

Footprints

We strain every nerve, We strive for the prize
 Of our calling in Christ, A home in the skies.
 The battles all fought the victory won
 We have the reward "Good servant well done."
 Come enter thy home these mansions above
 Rest in Heaven of infinite love
 From sorrow and sin forever released
 Come sit with the guest at the Heavenly feast
 All stains washed away in robes of pure white
 We bask in His rays we shine in His light
 The crowns of rejoicing we ever more wear
 The glory of Christ eternally shared.
 Make me "O" father more grateful for life
 More willing to bear the turmoil and strife
 More anxious to serve more like him to be
 Who gave his own life for answer, for me
 That bearing Christ image here below.
 My word done in him his glory may show
 Fill the summer hear in accents of love
 Daughter come higher and serve me above
 What glories await the spirit set free
 From fetters of earth untrammelled to be
 The work begins here is continued above
 And all that's left in life is service and love.

-Author unknown

P18

The Mansions Above

*I know not what the year will bring,
But this I know, my heart will sing;
For He who gives the gift of years has
power to still my doubts and fears.
And if the way be dark or fair, I shall
not doubt God answers prayer.
Though I may walk the depths, of night,
His lamp of Truth shall give me light.
To me there is no foreign land, For
with me is His guiding hand.
And God, Who heeds the sparrow's
fall, will always answer when I call.
I shall go forward, upright, free; For
He will walk the way with me.
I leave this year with God alone, For
He is mindful of His own.*

-Author unknown

P19

He is Mindful Of His Own

*To say goodbye is not the end
To all my family and friends
For life goes on, you must endure
For my eternity is sure.
Remember all the good times
The memories we've shared
The precious jewels of laughter
The tender love and care.
I found my resting place
God's peace surrounds my soul
Let love abound in all your hearts
Let heaven be your goal.*

-Author unknown

P20

To Say Goodbye

*For every pain that we must bear
For every burden, every care
There is a reason.
For every grief that bows the head
For every tear drop that is shed
There is a reason.
For every hurt, for every plight
For every lonely, pain-racked night,
There is a reason.
But if we trust God, as we should
It will all turn out for our good
He knows the reason.*

-Author unknown

P21

There's A Reason

*I've parted this life my loved one,
But worry not for I am not gone,
I am merely resting.
Don't cry or mourn
For God is with you and in your hearts.
Carry on.
We will miss each other,
But remember God is with us all.
Be strong my loved one,
For I am not gone,
but merely resting.*

-Author unknown

P22

I Am Resting

*I needed the quiet so He drew me aside,
Into the shadows where we could confide.
Away from the bustle where all the day long
I hurried and worried when active and strong.
I needed the quiet tho' at first I rebelled
But gently, so gently, my cross He upheld.
And whispered so sweetly of spiritual things
Tho' weakened in body, my spirit took wings
To heights never dreamed of when active and gay.
He loved me so greatly, He drew me away.
I needed the quiet. No prison, my bed,
But a beautiful valley of blessings instead -
A place to grow richer in Jesus to hide.
I needed the quiet, so He drew me aside.*

-Alice H. Mortenson

P23

I Needed The Quiet

*I've changed my address to Heaven
I've crossed the Great Divide.
I know there's no sorrow or crying,
Because I've reached the other side.
I am so happy to be here, for the Lord Himself I see.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place where you'll find me.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
I bid this world goodbye.
I now live forever with Jesus in my new home in the
sky. I have no burdens or heartaches
and from tears I am now free.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place to find me.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
I'm safe forevermore. For the Lord built a mansion
and my name is on the door.
You can find us walking together,
for where He is, I'll always be.
I've changed my address to Heaven,
That's the place you'll find me.*

-Author unknown

P24

I've Changed My Address

*Lonely is the home without you,
Life to us is not the same;
All the world would be like Heaven,
If we could have you back again.
A light from our household gone,
A voice we loved is still,
A place is vacant in our home
That never can be filled.
May the God of Love and Mercy,
Care our loved one who is gone,
And bless with consolation,
Those left to carry on.
The happy hours we once enjoyed,
How sweet their memory still
But death has left a vacant place,
This world can never fill.
How dearly we loved you,
And prayed you might live,
But Jesus just beckoned,
And we had to give.
God gave us strength to bear it,
And courage to fight the blow,
What it has meant to lose you,
God alone will ever know.*

-Author unknown

P25

Lonely Is The Home Without You

*Our family circle has been broken link has
gone from our chain;
But though we are parted for a while,
We know we will meet again.
Sometimes it's hard to understand why
certain things must be, but there is a reason
for it all, beyond our power to see.
The cover of life's book is closed for one we
loved so well; But the loving deeds of
by-gone days are what the pages tell.
The blow was hard, the shock severe;
We never thought your death was so near.
But only those who have lost can tell
The pain of parting without farewell.*

-Author unknown

P26

My Farewell

*There are many things in life
That we do not understand
But we must trust God's judgment
And be guided by His hand,
And all who have God's blessing
Can rest safely in His care,
For he promises safe passage
On the wings of faith and prayer.*

-Author unknown

P27

Rest Safely In His Care VI

*If I knew it would be the last time I'd see you fall asleep, I would tuck you in more tightly and pray the Lord, your soul to keep,
 If I knew it would be the last time that I see you walk out the door, I would give you a hug and kiss and call you back for more.
 If I knew it would be the last time I'd hear your voice lifted in praise, I would video tape each action and word, so I could play them back day after day.
 If I knew it would be the last time, I could spare an extra minute or two to stop and say "I Love You", instead of assuming you would KNOW I do.
 If I knew it would be the last time I would be there to share your day, well I'm sure you'll have so many more, so I can let just this one slip away.
 For surely there's always tomorrow to make up for an oversight, and we always get a second chance to make everything right.
 There will always be another day to say our "I love you's", And certainly there's another chance to say our "Anything I can do's?" But just in case I might be wrong, and today is all I get, I'd like to say how much I love you and I hope you never forget, Tomorrow is not promised to anyone, young or old alike, And today may be the last chance you get to hold your loved one tight.
 So if you're waiting for tomorrow, why not do it today? For if tomorrow never comes, you'll surely regret the day, That you didn't take that extra time for a smile, a hug, or a kiss and you were too busy to grant someone, what turned out to be their one last wish.
 So hold your loved ones close today, whisper in their ear, Tell them how much you love them and that you'll always hold them dear,
 Take time to say "I'm sorry," "please forgive me," "thank you" or "it's okay". And if tomorrow never comes, you'll have NO regrets about Today.*

-Author unknown

P28

If Tomorrow Never Comes

*Lord, I've never moved a mountain
 And I guess I never will.
 All the faith that I could muster
 Wouldn't move a small ant hill.
 Yet I'll tell you, Lord, I'm grateful
 For the privilege of knowing thee,
 And for all the mountain moving
 Down through life you've done for me.
 When I needed grace to lift me
 From the depths of despair,
 And when burdens, pain and sorrow
 Have been more than I could bear,
 You have always been my helper
 To restore life's troubled sea,
 And to move these little mountains
 That have looked so big to me.
 Many times when I've had problems
 And when bills I've had to pay,
 And the worries and the heartaches
 Just kept mounting every day,
 Lord, I don't know how you did it,
 Can't explain, the where's or why's,
 All I know I've seen these mountains
 Turn to blessings in disguise.
 No, I've never moved a mountain
 For my faith is far too small.
 Yet I thank you, Lord of Heaven,
 You have always heard my call.
 And as long as there are mountains
 In my life I'll have no fear,
 For the mountain moving Jesus
 He shall make them disappear.*

-Author unknown

P29

Mountain Moving

*I was once put in a place with nothing to see;
 Not a soul to talk to and not a thing I could be.
 Not a voice to hear me laugh.
 So there above the dark gray clouds was a flower I just had to have.
 Up above the sunlit sky was what seemed to be
 The reddest rose and the most yellow daisy surrounded by blue.
 With Its luminous glow that reminded me of a love I once knew.
 And I'm quite sure that if you had seen this Wildflower,
 you would have wanted it, too.
 I was told the sky is the limit,
 so for what am I to do without an ear to hear
 Or a person to see me shed a tear under a shade less tree?
 Maybe I can reach if I try with all my might.
 But if all fails, I shall try again at the first sight of light.
 Through all the things I have been through,
 reaching the flower was my goal.
 Not able to realize the pleasure and pain inflicted upon my soul.
 So, I raise my head and speak to the Holy Man.
 Promise me I can have the Wild Flower located in the Promised Land.
 Then I stared at the beautiful flower that now seemed kind of tan.
 When I die, bury me with this flower in the depths of pearl white sands.
 I reached out high and touched the sky as the flower fell in my hand.
 I have fulfilled my one and only goal, so bury me here where I stand.
 Now, I shall count the minutes of time, and stay happy,
 Because the Wild Flower is finally mine.*

-Author unknown

P30

Wildflower

*I was once put in a place with nothing to see;
 Not a soul to talk to and not a thing I could be.
 Not a voice to hear me laugh.
 So there above the dark gray clouds was a flower I just had to have.
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-Author unknown

P30

Wildflower

God on his throne in Heaven
Looked around at His Flowers so fair
And then sought a blossom on earth
To add to those he had there
To be part of such heavenly company
The bloom must be pure and sweet
And the little bud that was chosen
Was the child who had played at our feet.
Sorrow is great at the loss of our child
At the parting with one we love
But the parting was made that our
child might go
To brighten the heavens above.

-Author unknown

P32
Baby

Your gentle face and patient smile,
With sadness we recall,
You had a kindly word for each
And died beloved by all.
The voice is mute and stilled the heart
That loved us well and true,
Ah, bitter was the trial to part
From one so good as you.
You are not forgotten loved one
Nor will you ever be
As long as life and memory last
We will remember thee.
We miss you now, our hearts are sore,
As time goes by, we miss you more,
Your loving smile, your gentle face,
No one can take your vacant place.

-Author unknown

P33
Your Gentle Face And Patient Smile

Lord, for your faithful people life
Is changed, not ended. When the
body of our earthly dwelling lies in
death we gain an everlasting
dwelling place in Heaven.
Lord, grant eternal rest, forever in
The radiance of your light.

-Author unknown

P34
Faithful People

Remember, O Lord, this
Thy servant, who is gone
Before us with the sign
of faith, and sleeps in
the sleep of peace.
To this one, O Lord and
To all who rest in Christ,
Grant, we pray Thee, a
Place of refreshment, light,
And peace.

-Author unknown

P35
Wreath

The life of those
Who are faithful
To thee, Lord, is
But changed, not Ended.

-Author unknown

P36
Life Prayer

I said a prayer for you today and
I know God must have heard
I felt the answer in my heart
Although He spoke no word!
I didn't ask for wealth or fame
(I knew you wouldn't mind)
I asked him to send treasures of
A far more lasting kind!
I asked that He'd be near you
At the start of each new day
To grant you health and blessings
And friends to share your way!
I asked for happiness for you in all
Things great and small but it was for his
loving care that I Prayed for most of all!

-Author unknown

P37
I Said A Prayer

God hath not promised
Skies always blue,
Flower-strewn pathways
All our lives through;
God hath not promised
Sun without rain,
Joy without sorrow,
Peace without pain
But God hath promised
Strength for the day,
Rest for the labor,
Light for the way.
Grace for the trials,
Help from above,
Unveiling sympathy,
Undying love.....

-Annie Johnson Flint

P38
What God Hath Promised

"To laugh often and much: to win
the respect of intelligent people and
the affection of children: to earn the
appreciation of honest critics and
endure the betrayal of false friends:
to appreciate beauty: to find the best
in others: to leave the world a bit better
whether by a healthy child, a garden
patch, or a redeemed social condition:
to know even one life has breathed
easier because you have lived.
This is to have succeeded."

-Author unknown

P39
Success

With the spirits of righteousness
Made perfect, give rest to the
Soul of your servant, O Savior. And
Preserve it in that life of blessedness
Which is with You, O Lord who
Loves mankind.
In the place of your rest, O Lord,
Where all Your Saints repose, give
Rest also to the soul of your servant:
For you alone love mankind.

-Author unknown

P40
Savior Prayer

*If death should beckon me
With outstretched hand
And whisper softly of
"An Unknown Land"
I shall not be afraid to go,
For though the path I do not know,
I take Death's Hand without a fear,
For He who safely brought me here
Will also take me safely back.
And though in many things I lack,
He will not let me go alone
Into the "Valley That's Unknown"...
So I reach out and take Death's hand
And journey to the "Promised Land."*

-Author unknown

P41
I Do Not Go Alone VI

*Do not stand at my grave and weep:
I am not there, I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow:
I am the diamond glints on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain:
I am the gentle autumn's rain.
When you awaken in the
Morning's hush,
I am the swift uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft star that shines at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry.
I am not there: I did not die.*

-Melinda Sue Pacho

P42
I Did Not Die

*There is no life, truth, intelligence
Not substance in matter. All is infinite
Mind and its infinite manifestations.
Spirit is immortal truth. Matter is mortal
Error. Spirit is the real and eternal.
Matter is the unreal and temporal.
Spirit is God and Man is His image
And likeness. Therefore man is not
Material. He is spiritual.*

-Author unknown

P43
Christian Science

*I shall pass through the world
But once: any good therefore that
I can do or any kindness that I
Can show to any human being,
Let me do it now, let me not defer
Or neglect it for I shall not pass
This way again.*

-Author unknown

P44
Exlibris

*Fold my work and lay it away for
This is the end of a last long day. Out
Of the clouds have come some tears,
Out of the shadow have come some
Fears.
Always our Father's loving care, and
The blessed privilege dear friends and
Loved ones do not sorrow, its good
Right now, but its good morning
Tomorrow.*

-Author unknown

P45
Fold My Work

*A light is from our household gone,
A voice we loved is stilled
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.
We have to mourn the loss of one
We did our best to save.
Beloved on earth, regretted still,
Remembered in the grave.
'Twas hard to part with one so dear,
We little thought the time was near
Farewell, dear one, your life is past,
Our love for you till the end will last.*

-Author unknown

P46
A Light From Our Household

*There's magic in mother's touch,
And sunshine in her smile
There's love in everything she does
To make our lives worthwhile
We can find both love and courage
Just by looking in her eyes
Her laughter is a source of joy,
Her words are warm and wise
There is a kindness and compassion
To be found in her embrace
And we see the light of Heaven
Shining from a mother's face.*

-Author unknown

P47
The Magic of a Mother's Touch

*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 love 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.*

-Author unknown

P48
If Tears Could Build A Stairway

*When tomorrow starts without me, and I'm not there to
see if the sun should rise and find your eyes, all filled with
tears for me. I wish so much you wouldn't cry, the way
you did today, while thinking of the many things, we
didn't get to say. I know how much you love me, as much
as I love you, and each time that you think of me, I know
you'll miss me too. But when tomorrow starts without me,
please try to understand that an angel came and called
my name, and took me by the hand and said, "my place
was ready, in heaven far above and that I'd have to leave
behind, all those I dearly love." But when I walked
through heaven's gates, I felt so much at home. When
God looked down and smiled at me, from His great
golden throne. He said "This is eternity, and all I've
promised you." Today for life on earth is past, but
here it starts anew. I promise no tomorrow, for today
will always last. And since each day's the same way,
there's no longing for the past. So when tomorrow
starts without me, don't think we're far apart. For
every time you think of me, I'm right here in your heart.*

-Author unknown

P49
When Tomorrow Starts Without Me

Away from earth's worries
Away from all cares
Our loved one is sleeping
Beyond the sun's glare,
Her life's work is finished
So why should we weep?
In God's wonderful garden
She has fallen asleep.

-Author unknown

#P50
Away

If a tiny baby could think, it would be afraid of birth. To leave the only world it has known would seem a kind of death. But immediately after the birth the child would find itself in loving arms, showered with affection and cared for at every moment. Surely the baby would say, "I was foolish to doubt God's plan for me. This is a beautiful life."

Passing through death is really a birth into a new and better world. Those who are left behind should not grieve as if there were no hope. Life is changed, not taken away. Our dear ones live on, in a world beautiful beyond anything we can imagine.

"Do not grieve too much," they say to us.
"We are living and are still with you."

-Author unknown

#P51
A Word Of Consolation

He wished no one a last farewell,
nor even said goodbye.
He was gone before we knew it,
And only God knows why.
They say time heals all sorrow,
And helps us to forget,
But time so far only proves
How much we miss him yet,
God gives us strength to face it,
And courage to bear the blow.
But what it meant to
"love" and lose him
No one will ever know.

-Author unknown

#P52
He Wished No One A Last Farewell

In this time of grief, may the glow of God's love light your way, and may the warmth of His embrace give you peace and comfort.

-Author unknown

#P53
In This Time Of Grief

To the living, I am gone,
To the sorrowful I will never return,
I am at peace with myself and the Lord,
I cannot speak, but I can listen
I cannot be seen but I can be heard,
So remember me in your heart and thoughts,
Remember me in your memories,
Remember me of the times we loved,
Remember me of the times we laughed,
Remember me of the times we cried,
Remember me of the times we fought
And always remember me of the times we lived together. I am resting in peace with the highest hope that some day we shall all unite again in God's Kingdom.

-Author unknown

#P54
Remember Me

Fly on to heaven, fly high, fly free, take your place with God and your long lost family. On this earth you are a sister, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and mother-in-law. You eased all our tears with your great spirit and calm hands. No more hurt, no more pain, you floated to heaven and gained PEACE. Even though we will miss you And it hurts more than we can stand, we know you are care free and in God's hands. Can't wait to see you again. You will always be loved and missed.

-Author unknown

#P55
Fly On To Heaven

The softened rush of angel wings
Is heard in quiet hours; a moment when a child prays, the wind upon the flowers, the velvet touch at the end of day when twilight touches sky, the trickle of a single tear when one must say goodbye. The softened rush of angel wings. When the heavens all rejoice, when one finds God's redemption, the angels lift their voice. They sing, so full of glory a child has come home, no more to wander aimlessly so lost and all alone. The softened rush of angel wings; A ripple in a pond, a vagrant cloud in crystal dome, the scarlet streaks of dawn. The rustle is so gentle, we often don't take care, we say it's just a breath of wind That's blowing by somewhere but if you listen carefully you might hear the flit of wings Gliding through the evening breeze soft as a whisper sings. You might even feel a flutter. As an angel passes by, So close that you could touch them as they journey through the sky.

#P56
Rush Of Angel Wings

-Author unknown

The day so full of promise Has slowly slipped away, Like dying coals upon fire Where logs of oak once lay. Some victories, some losses, With work yet to be don't. People who will need me Struggles to be won. So I kneel beside my bed To thank God for this day, I ask for nothing but His grace That love might light my way. Gone forever this day, Content I've done my best. I hand it over now to God And seek His peaceful rest.

-Author unknown

#P57
When Day Is Done

Little did we know that morning,
God was going to call your name.
In life we loved you dearly,
in death we do the same.
It broke our hearts to lose you,
you did not go alone.
For part of us went with you,
the day God called you home.
You left us beautiful memories,
your love is still our guide.
And although we cannot see you,
you are always by our side.
Our family chain is broken,
and nothing seems the same.
But as God calls us one by one,
the chain will link again.

-Author unknown

#P58
The Chain Will Link Again

*A heart of gold stopped beating,
Two shining eyes at rest,
God broke our hearts to prove
He only takes the best,
God knows you had to leave us,
But you didn't go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day He took you home.
To some you will be forgotten,
To others, just part of the past,
But to us who loved and lost you,
Your memory will always last.*

-Author unknown

#P59
A Heart of Gold

*May I go now
Do you think the time is right?
May I say goodbye to pain - filled days
and endless lonely nights?
I've lived my life and done my best,
an example tried to be,
So can I take that step beyond
and set my spirit free?
I fought with all my might,
but something seems to draw me now,
To a warm and lovely light.
Thank you so for loving me,
you know I love you too.
That's why it's hard to say goodbye
and end this life with you.
So hold me now just one more time
and let me hear you say,
Because you care so much for me,
you'll let me go today.*

#P60 -Author unknown
May I Go Now? (VI)

*No more grief or sorrow, no more suffering or
pain, now there is everlasting peace because
the angels came. Only God knows what is
best and He gently holds my hand . Guiding
me to a better place because the angels came.
When the sun rises tomorrow and I answer
not my name, Please don't cry Rejoice
with me because the angels came. I now can
rest in peace as I never could before.
answered the gentle knock of the angels at my
door. So please don't mourn for me as new
wings I now claim, I can take my flight to
heaven because the angels came.*

-Author unknown

#P61
Because The Angels Came

*There's no time for sad remembrances
Because I'm home where I belong
I've conquered all my battles,
I've even heard the trumpet's song.
I've climbed my highest mountain
And I've reached an even peak,
And I've found that peace and true reward
That you have yet to seek.
There's no time for sad remembrances
For you have a precious life;
So find comfort in my journey
Please don't bear this pain and strife.
Oh! My Father's house is perfect
Just like He said it would be,
So dry your tears
Because I'm home and now I'm free.
I am part of all the beauty
That your world has yet to see;
So don't be sad about my journey,
Just be glad that I am free!*

-Author unknown

#P62
No Time For Sad Remembrances

*With the Lord as "Your Shepherd"
You have all that you need.
For if you "Follow in His Footsteps"
wherever He may lead,
He will guard and guide and keep you
In His loving, watchful care
And, when traveling in "Dark Valleys,"
"Your Shepherd" will be there
His goodness is unfailing,
His kindness knows no end.
For the Lord is a "Good Shepherd"
on whom can you depend
So, when your heart is troubled,
You'll find quiet peace and calm
If you open up your Bible
and just read this treasured Psalm.*

-Author unknown

#P63
**There Is Peace And Calm In The
23rd Psalm**

*Sorry I had to Leave You So Suddenly"
Sorry I had to leave in a sudden kind of
way; didn't have time to call and say
good-bye today. I knew you would
understand, because that's the way you
are; don't worry about the distance
because I'm not really that far. Don't
wait up and please don't cry you didn't
hear me say good-bye.*

-Author Unknown

#P64
Suddenly

*Trust Him when dark doubts assail thee
Trust Him when thy strength is small,
Trust Him when to simply trust Him
Seems the hardest thing of all.
Trust Him, He is ever faithful;
Trust Him, for His will is best;
Trust Him, for the Heart of Jesus
Is the only place of rest.
Trust Him then, through doubts and
sunshine. All thy cares upon Him cast,
Till the storm of life is over and the
trusting days are past.*

-author unknown

#P65
Trust Him

*This old world
I'll see no more
Pain and suffering for me
Is out the door
Oh, what a journey this will be
Knowing my Father in heaven
is walking with me.
Don't be afraid
I'll be alright
I'm cradled in Jesus' arms
He's holding me tight
I needed this rest
Only God knows best
For those I've left behind
Don't worry, I'm fine,
Victory is mine.*

-Author unknown

#P66
This Old World

*Earth hath no sorrows that God can't heal
As I softly repeat it, great comfort I feel
And I long to reach out to those in the storm.
Of sorrows dark night and point to the morn,
when joy will abound up there in the skies.
As God gently wipes he tears from our eyes!
Oh then we'll see clearly the face we adore
and greet our dear loved ones who've gone
on before. Gone every heartache that here
we may feel; for earth hath no sorrows that
God can't heal!*

-unknown author

#P67
Earth Hath Sorrow That God Can't Heal

Each person's life is but a breath, and I don't know how much air that I have left. I am in pain and distress and I still wonder why my love is put to rest. There isn't a day that goes by that my heart sorrows and I didn't have to cry. If only this was a bad dream, only then could I wake up tomorrow with a brighter gleam. Day and night my heart pounds, my strength fails me, and even the light has gone from my eyes. It seems that I'm about to fall, and my pain will be ever with me. Mom will always touch my heart and I will always touch her soul. For she is my diamond pearl, she is my entire world. If I can borrow angel wings or grace like a dove, there wouldn't be a day that I'll miss your smile in Heaven above. A woman was created from a man's rib and closed up in flesh meaning "life itself or created life" God had to remove something out to make room for another life. I can only pray and hope that God could take my rib and create that special life again. I would do anything just to hear her laugh, smile, and call my name because without her nothing's the same. May the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in her sight for all is her love and love is her all a restful night. I'll love you forever. For great is your love reaching to the Heavens, and your faithfulness reaches to the skies, awake her soul for here she lies awaiting your hold. Mother, you will be truly missed and certainly not forgotten. May God bless your soul. Mommy, Heaven's waiting for you, I Love You and you will always have my heart. May God be gracious to us, bless us and make her face shine upon us

-unknown author

#P68
Heart To Soul

*I am home in Heaven, dear ones;
Oh, so happy and so bright!
There is perfect joy and beauty
In this everlasting light.*

*All the pain and grief is over,
Every restless tossing passed;
I am now at peace forever,
Safely home in Heaven at last.*

*Did you wonder why I so calmly
Trod the valley of the shade?
Oh! But Jesus' love illumined
Every dark and fearful glade.*

*And He came Himself to meet me
In that way so hard to tread;
And with Jesus' arm to lean on,
Could I have one doubt or dread?*

*Then you must not grieve so sorely,
For I love you dearly still:
Try to look beyond earth's shadows,
Pray to trust our Father's Will.*

*There is work still waiting for you,
So you must not idly stand;
Do it now, while life remaineth -
You shall rest in Jesus' land.*

*When that work is all completed,
He will gently call you Home:
Oh, the rapture of that meeting,
Oh, the joy to see you come!*

-unknown author

#P69
Safely Home

Loving you is something we all enjoyed to do. Your beautiful smile, your everlasting bliss, your slow walk and gentle hug, kiss. Those are just a few things that we will all miss. You were like a breath of fresh air. Never once did you not care. In our hearts, we can't despair, because you will always be here. May your soul live on forever, because we will always be together. So, for now we will put you to rest, because for all of us, I know you would want the best. There's so much we all want, need and forgot to say. But, there's one thing for sure, we can't stand in God's way. So, as your family and friends, we must stay strong ... so you're precious name may carry on. We love you then, now and forever. In our hearts, minds and souls, we will always be together.

-unknown author

#P70
Loving You

Please don't say that I gave up, just say that I gave in. Don't say I lost the battle, for it was God's war to lose or win. Please don't say how good I was, but I did my best. Just say that I tried to do what's right - to give the most I could, not do less.

Please don't give me wings or halos, that's for God to do. I want no more than I deserve, no extras, just my due. Please don't give flowers, or talk in hushed tones. Don't be concerned about me now, I'm well with God; I've made my home.

Don't talk about what could have been, it's over and it's done. Just see to all my family's needs, the battle has been won. When you draw a picture of me, don't draw me as a Saint. I've done some good, I've done some wrong, so use all your paint - not just the bright and light tones, use some gray and dark. In fact, don't put me down on canvass, paint me in your heart.

Don't just remember good times, but remember all the bad. For life is full of many things, some happy and some sad. But if you must do something, then I have one last request - forgive for the wrongs I've done, and with the love that's left, thank God for my soul's resting, thank God for I've been blessed. Thank God for all who loved me, praise God who loved me best.

-Unknown author

#P71
When I Must Leave You

*In tears we saw you sinking
And watched you fade away.
Our hearts were almost breaking
We wanted you to stay.
But when we saw you sleeping
So peacefully and free from pain
How could we wish you back
To suffer that again?
It broke our hearts to lose you
But you didn't go alone
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home*

-unknown author

#P72

In Tears We Saw You Sinking

*A mother's love is everlasting though
the flesh is gone. The memories of joy
and laughter will still live on I will
always miss your voice and your
presence I will remember all of the
times we shared. Don't worry I will
move on as I get in my car listening to
your favorite song, "I Got Love On My
Mind" - I know life still goes on as I
start my days and end my nights my
mother's love will embrace me tight.
Feeling your presence and knowing
you're there letting me know I have
nothing to fear. I will then close my
eyes and squeeze real tight then I will
have a good sleep.*

-Helen Steiner Rice

#P73

A Mother's Love

*When you're searching for truth And you
can't find your way, When people don't
hear What you're trying to say, And the
answers won't come to the things that you
pray. It's time to let go And let God ...
Let go of the bad and the good will appear,
Trust in the knowledge that He's always
near, That answers and choices are
always more clear when you can let go
and let God. Just lift up your hands and
surrender your heart, Tell Him your
worries and He'll do His part, Let go of the
past and your future will start, When you
finally let go and let God. May prayers
and faith and knowing you're loved carry
you through times of doubt,
and lead you to perfect peace.*

-unknown author

#P74

Let Go and Let God

*No need to worry, no need to cry nor
question God and wonder why. My heart's
at peace you're wondering how because
my soul is with Jesus and I'm resting now.
The services I gave for my family and
friends were services of love, even to the
end. Loved one's now look to Jesus for He
knows best. He carried me home for I
needed the rest. Family don't you cry and
don't be afraid for me, already a way has
been made. Keep trusting in Jesus and
doing His will, through Jesus my presence
you will always feel. Yes, my heart's at
peace and my soul's at rest and you
wonder how; it's because I'm with Jesus
and I'm resting now. I'm in a better place
as long as I'm with Jesus. I'm resting, just
like a white dove I've flown away yet. I'm
resting now.*

#P75

No Need To Worry, No Need To Cry

*Now the time has come to depart
How sweet the moments in our hearts
Rushing away to embrace the time
at hand. Not long to go before the time.
We all spend through the day and night.
We move over the mountains so high.
But now with my love its time I find.
Hold on to my hand till I arrive and
together we stand.*

#P76

Now The Time Has Come To Depart

*We are all God's children
From the morning hour of birth
He lets us live and laugh and love
And have our day on earth;
He guards us through the afternoon
Till sunset's rays are cast
Then one by one
With gentle words
He calls us home at last!!*

#P77

We Are All God's Children

*Life is funny how it turns
Life comes and goes
Life tells a story, while
death tells it all.
Life brings family when death controls
Life can light the world
when death takes its toll.
Death is life
Life is death, but
Death is just the beginning
and Life is the end.*

#P78

Life and Death

*In all the times that seem so hard
When tears cry out inside,
You must explore new ways to live,
Reverse depression's tide,
When all of your solutions
Stay away, remain unknown,
Are you are isolated
In your heart and feel alone,
Remember that the world
Is full of others just like you
And you can reach beyond the darkness,
Change your point of view.
Everyone has moments
When their problems seem too much,
Everyone has joys that seem
Elusive, out of touch. But when it al seems
very bleak. And hope has all but gone.
Remember, time will heal your heavy thoughts
If you'll hang on.*

#P79

Just Hang On

*I watched a sail until it dropped from
sight. Over the rounding sea a gleam of
light at last far flashed farewell, and like
a thought - slipped out of mind, it
vanished and was not. Yet, to the
helmsmen standing at the wheel broad
seas still swept beneath the gliding heel.
Disaster? Change?
He felt no slight sign, nor dreamed he of
that dim horizon line. So may it be per
chance, when down the tide our dear ones
vanish. Peacefully, they glide on level
seas nor mark the unknown bound. We
call it death - to them 'Tis Life Beyond.*

#P80

This Life Beyond

*Dear Lord of all my days and years,
The joyful times, the pain and tears
My peace and calm within the storm
That keeps me safe from harm
I know that tears must sometimes fall
To help me stand up strong and tall,
All strength and power is Yours to give,
Your hand is there each day I live.*

*When on the mountaintop I stand
The blessings flow from Your strong hand
But when the valley days are here,
I feel Your presence always near.*

*Just fill me with Your love each day
To give to others, by the way,
The blessings that You give to me,
Help me to share them lovingly
That I might be Your light of love,
A blessing from Your throne above.*

*There are so many in despair
I need to show that You are there.
So Lord of all my days and years,
Help me to dry another's tears,
To show the love You give each day
The blessings we should give away.*

#P81
The Blessing You Give

*Nearer my God to thee
Evermore shall we all be
Whether in life or death each must come,
And see if we have a place at your throne.*

*We take you so much for granted.
Heavenly father you watch as we rave and rant.
There's nothing on earth we can take when we leave.
Yet we work and slave and over things grieve.*

*You placed each one of us here on earth.
You alone know our true worth.
Will we try to fulfill the plan you made?
Will idleness take us to an early grave?*

*You told us to be fruitful and multiply.
What comes to my mind is with your help I'll try.
I'll let others know you would all have salvation
In this life they can find restoration.*

*To your bosom we will all be drawn,
And be able to live eternally in your arms.
We have come to find peace that lasts.
You removed all sin from our past.*

#P82
Even Nearer To Thee

*Good Bye family I had to go
But there's something I want you to know
I enjoyed you while I had life
I had to cross over with my father Jesus Christ.
Don't you cry, don't shed a tear
Just look up and my love will appear
So good bye daughter, good bye son
O don't let me forget my little one
I'll see you soon one day
Just remember I am OK
Go on and live your life
You will soon cross over with Jesus Christ
Don't weep or mourn because you will all
Be called home, Good Bye, Good Bye Love you all.
Just remember don't let my death let you fall
Hold on, hold on tight
I'll see you soon, Goodnight.*

#P83
Good Bye Family

Carry on my children
And do not weep.
For today is not the end
But instead the beginning.
Carry on my children
You must be strong
For I am home with the Lord
And I am free from all that ails me.
Carry on my children
And keep my memory alive
Remember our laughter
And all the joys we shared.
So until we meet again
Carry on my dear children
For one day we will all be free.

#P84
Carry On My Children

In all my life I've made some choices
Some good some bad, but I made choices.
I now have a life depending on me
Looking to learn love and responsibility
Although you were a bit of a surprise
Love is all I feel when I look into your eyes
I want you to have everything I had
I want you to know the difference between
good and bad In this wish from a mother to
her daughter for her to act the way I taught
her this wish I seal with a kiss
For you to have a lifetime of love and
happiness I wish for you to be the best
That is a kiss to ?????

#P85
Kiss to ?????

I see the hurt in your eyes
I see the joy in your eyes
I see the fear in your eyes
We have the same laughter and tears
I smell the beautiful rose
I smell the crisp, clear air
I smell the autumn leaves
Nature's magnificent aromas are the
same all over the world
I hear the songs of birds
I hear the violins in the symphony
I hear the solitude of death
I hear the laughter of children playing

#P86
Let Everyone Sing in Harmony

There's an open gate
at the end of the Road
Through which each one
must go alone
And there is a light we cannot see
Our Father claims His own
Beyond the Gate our loved one finds
Happiness and rest
And there is comfort in the thought
that a loving God knows best.

#P87
Beyond Life's Gateway

The memory of me
to be a happy one
God's grace surrounds
my soul!
Let comfort and love
abound in all your hearts
Let Heaven be your goal.

#P88
I'd Like.....

May I go now? Do you think the time is right?
May I say goodbye to pain - filled days and endless lonely
nights?
I've lived my life and done my best, an example tried to be.
So can I take that step beyond and set my spirit free?
I didn't want to go at first, I fought with all my might,
but something seems to draw me now, to a warm and lovely
light.
I want to go, I really do, it's difficult to stay.
But I will try as best I can to live for just one more day,
To give you time to care for me and share your love and fears.
I know you're sad and afraid because I see your tears.
I will not be far, I promise you that and hope you'll always
know
That my spirit will be close to you wherever you may go.
Thank you for loving me, you know I love you too.
That 's why it's hard to say goodbye and end this life with you.
So hold me now, just one more time and let me hear you say,
because you care so much for me. You'll let me go today.

#P89
May I Go Now (V2)

Today God picked a rose,
such a beautiful Angel He chose
From Heaven above; she's now
smiling down, on her face there's
not a tear or frown. From now on
all her days will be bright,
she's now walking above in God's
perfect light.

#P90
A Rose

As the sun begins to set,
and the day comes to an end.
Precious memories of your life
We will cherish so deep within.

Your life was an inspiration.
You touched so many lives,
And we're truly going to miss you,
through all the tears we cry.

But joy comes in the morning,
Just to know you're at Heavenly rest.
With God and all His angels,
Because you were the very best.

#P91
As The Sun Begins To Set

My heart does not ache
From my past
I move forward with my life
No time to waste on regrets
Everyday a new
Another day to try harder
To be better, to improve
To succeed, to fall in love
What a difference a day makes

#P92
Tomorrow

Lord make me an instrument of your peace
Where there is hatred, let me sow love
Where there is injury, pardon
Where there is doubt, faith
Where there is despair, hope
Where there is darkness, light
And where there is sadness, joy
You taught us Faith ... one day at a time

#P93

**Lord, Make Me And Instrument Of Your
Peace**

It's true we bring nothing into this world
,and nothing we take when we pass. So
the time in between we must use carefully,
for only the memories will last. We hurt
because you left us, we cry because
you're gone; with sorrow we must say
goodbye. But your memory lives on.
Because of what you mean to us the
loneliness will always remain.
But because of all the love you gave, in
our hearts you'll live always.

#P94

You Live Always

I've built me a home in a far off land.
A home not touched by human hands
I've built my home on sold ground.
My rock, my strength, my savior found.
Rock of ages cleft for me,
Now I hide myself in thee.
Jesus has paid all my debts,
All my transgression and sin to forget.
I've built me a heavenly home.
No more tears have I to shed.
No more pain, no fears, no dread, no sickness,
nor sorrow have I.
No more worries in the sweet by and by.
So sleep on loved one and take your rest.
We love you dearly, but God loved you best.

#P95

Gone On Home

Please don't sing sad songs for me,
Forget your grief and fears,
For I am in a perfect place,
Away from pain and tears ...
I'm far away from hunger,
And hurt and want and pride.
I have a place in Heaven,
With the Master at my side.
My life on earth was very good.
As earthly lives can go
But paradise is so much more
Than anyone can know.
My heart is filled with happiness
And sweet rejoicing too,
To walk with God is perfect peace
A joy forever new.

#P96

I Have A Place In Heaven

As along life's rugged path I trod,
I find my resting place with God.
Tho' cares are many along the way,
By His tender touch, they are swept away.
As I climb the mountains with weary feet,
His outstretched arms are there to greet.
I find blest comfort; my pain erased,
As I nestle there in His sweet embrace.
While at river's crossing, or on barren
land. Tired from my journey, I rest again
-in the arms of God, where he waits once
more To ease my travels just like before.
O'er hill and valley, and troubled sea,
Or wherever my steps shall carry me,
My strength is renewed by infinite Grace
That comes from God,
"My Resting Place."

#P97

My Resting Place

We cannot know what lies ahead
From day to passing day,
What changes God is planning
In His wise and loving way.
We cannot know the reasons
He allows both joy and tears,
Why we must lose the precious ones
We've cherished through the years.
We cannot know - but we can trust,
And faith can help us find
Our way to those tomorrows
That will bring us peace of mind.

#P98

We Cannot Know What Lies Ahead

When I go marching home,
Please don't grieve for me,
I'll be in a better place,
Full of God's serenity.
My woes and cares shall be released,
My spirit freed to roam.
I'll find the Lord's exalted peace
When I go marching home.

#P99

When I Go Marching Home

In the garden of flowers grew
with style and grace,
I knew you were special
when God shined down on your face.
When it was time God came down
and picked you with grace,
and washed all the pain
away from your face.
Without a whimper or a sound
You walked away strong and proud.
We will miss you this is true
But now you must rest
because your work is through.
God knows this and we know it too,
For that is why He has chosen you.

#P100

In The Garden Of Flowers

Endings and beginnings, closing and opening
doors, new experiences and the day-to-day
routines - all are needed and important. What
is most important for us to know is that every
day, every hour, every moment is a new
beginning. We can begin again! Whatever
yesterday held is in the past. Painful
memories are dissolved, and disappointments
are swept away. In this moment all, including
each one of us, is made new. We can begin
again! Even if doors have closed to some
meaningful experience, we know that even
greater good is in store. Let us catch the
vision of new doors, new opportunities that
are opening to us. We are growing and
unfolding as we continually say yes to God's
plan of good for us.

#P101

Thank You, God, for new beginnings!

*The clock of life is wound but once
And no man has the power to tell
Just when the hand will stop
At late or early hour.
To lose one's wealth is sad indeed,
To lose one's health is more,
To lose one's soul is such a loss,
As no man can restore.
The present only is our own
We shall live and toil with a will
And place no faith in tomorrow,
For the clock may then be still.*

#P102
The Clock Of Life

*I CANNOT SAY, AND I will not say that
he is dead. He is just away.
With a cheery smile, and a wave of the
hand, He has wandered into
an unknown land,
And left us dreaming how very fair it needs
must be, since he lingers there.
And you - oh, you, who the wildest yearn,
for an old-time step, and the glad return,
Think of him faring on, as dear, In the love
of There as the love of Here.
Think of him still as the same. I say, he is
not dead - he is just away.*

#P103
He Is Not Dead

*As we watch you fly day by day
We never knew it would end this way
As we turn to your heart for
comfort and relief.
You told us the things we needed to hear.
For the love we have for you Daddy made us
glad! Although we sit around and wonder
why you left us sad. As time goes by and by
we will say to you "You're Free, You're
free!"
So spread your wings and soar. And always
remember we will be grateful for your grace,
love and wisdom. As we close this poem with
love, peace and faith We say to you Daddy,
We Love You. So spread your wings and fly
away, fly away. I'm sure we will meet
another day.*

#P104
Fly Away

*This angel of light, she blessed all our days -
we found the meaning of love in so many
ways. Tho our time together was short, we
were blessed just the same. Although this
sweet angel didn't carry our name.
Reminding us of everything we've been
through, even when times weren't good we
could count on you to help us make it
through. Now she's no longer with us, and
our hearts weep, we lost our loved one but we
gained an angel that we wanted to keep!*

#P105
Our Angel Above

*Walk alongside me, daddy
And hold my hand.
I have so many things to learn
That I don't yet understand.
Teach me the things to keep me safe
From dangers everyday.
Show me how to do my best,
At home, at school, at play
Every child needs a gentle hand
To guide them as they grow,
So walk along side me, daddy ~
We have a long way to go.*

#P106
Walk With Me, Daddy

*It was just like yesterday when I saw your
face but now that you're gone I don't know
what to do. Even though in my heart I know
you're in a very special place. So don't say
goodbye. It's more like seeing you later as
you head into the arms of the Lord who we
believe in. May your soul rest in peace as I
sit back wondering what our lives could
have been like but now that you're gone all
I have is beginning memories.,*

#P107
In God We Trust

*It's sometimes hard to understand
Why these things have to be
Our sad hearts seek the answer
But it's not for us to see
We can only trust in God
And know that in some way
It's all a part of His great plan
We'll understand someday.*

#P108
It's Sometimes Hard To Understand

*The pain ...
The pain of not seeing you again
The pain of losing my closest friend
The pain of not hearing you call my name
The pain of me not doing the same
The pain of you coming so close
The pain of how I tried the most
The pain of knowing that I tried my best
The ease of knowing that you are at rest
The pain of seeing you lying there
The pain of having to cry another tear
The pain of not seeing you breathe for one last time
The pain of wishing I could rewind
The pain of not hearing "Is that your Dad? Cause
you two look just alike"
The pain of knowing that you put up a fight
The pain of realizing that this is reality
The pain of you not being here with me
The pain ...*

#P109
The Pain

*A father is a friend, a shoulder when you need
And when you are in trouble, Daddy's there
in deed. When it seems the world's against
you, Daddy's right there on your side. To
show you that he cares and you no longer
need to hide. When you feel left in the dark,
all alone and cold. Daddy's little word can
make you feel so bold. Daddy knows when
something's wrong or when you need his
care and because he has these senses, you
can count on him being there. So my poem
comes to an end, Yes me Daddy's little girl
and though he's no longer here, He's the best
Daddy in the world.*

#P110
A Father

*God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be
So He put His arms around you
And whispered, "Come to me"
With tearful eyes 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.*

#P111
Come To Me

*God called your name so softly,
that only you could hear
And no one heard the footsteps
Of angels drawing near.
It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone,
For part of us went with you,
the day God called you home.
You're always close beside us, in everything we do,
You were our greatest treasure, God's gift to us was you.
We will always remember that way you looked,
the way you talked and smiled,
The little things you said and did
to make our lives worthwhile.
Each time we look at your picture,
you seem to smile and say,
Don't be sad but courage take
and love each other for my sake.
Just a prayer from the family to you,
just a memory fond and true,
In our hearts you will stay forever
because we thought the world of you.*

#P112
God Called Your Name So Softly

*Turn your face toward the sun and
leave the clouds behind,
Today is yours, God given a precious gift of time.
Yesterday's beyond recall it cannot be redone,
Tomorrow is still unclaimed it may or may not come.
Too often we worry over the bridge we'll never cross
And miss the joys of today to be forever lost.
If there's a kindness you can do for another's sake,
Do it now while there is time tomorrow may be too late.
Keep your face toward the sun and happiness you'll find,
Cherish the gift of each new day and
leave the clouds behind.*

#P113
A Break in the Clouds

*When I die do not cry for my life has come
full circle. I've lived my life with those I've
loved and friends who were just perfect. I
now reside in a place of peace and all
things are in perspective.*

#P114
You Better Believe It!"

*For once again a loved one is gone,
God only knew, so He sent His angels
to carry him home.
For we knew not what troubled
him each day of his life.
He'd already lost his father, mother,
a daughter and wife.
As we look back over the years
We enjoyed the good times, but still there are tears.
For God does not make a mistake
God knows whom He wants and they He will take.
Although we cannot see your face,
nor hear your voice,
God has selected you to be His choice.
Go ahead uncle and now you can rest
We love you, we miss but God loves you best.*

#P115
For Once Again A Loved One Is Gone

*My husband was a blessing sent from heaven above
A gift from God, for our family to love
A helping hand that was always there
A loving friend who would always care
And who all of our burdens would share
My husband what a blessing.
Those guiding hands that lead us
To the straight and narrow way.
And teaching lips that help us to learn
More and more each day.
A comfort when things didn't go right
An angel watching over us through the night
Protecting us with all his might
My husband, what a blessing
My husband put his family first,
Before himself always
He always tried to do his best
To give us better days
By sacrificing each and every day.
He set examples for us, all the way.
Remembering always to serve God and pray.
My husband, what a blessing.
Good husbands never die.
They live with God eternally
And one day, when we meet again, how happy
We will be, in his footsteps we now go
And will follow God and we will show
That his work was not in vain.
Oh no, my husband, what a blessing.*

#P116
Husband

*A poem for you, A poem for me.
A poem for one, who now is free.
Turn me around Lord Turn me around
Shine your light on me Lord I want to be free.
Give me a sign Lord, oh walk with me.
My Heavenly Father, I am in need.
I've been in trouble, and now I can see.
You're the only one, who can set me free!
Now I know I have no more doubts,
I was lost Lord, I was crying out.
You came to my aide, there was a change in me.
Your love touched me Lord, spiritually.
I am a happy soldier now that you answered my prayer.
I am not alone anymore in darkness and despair.
We have so much in common now that you are here.
My Lord, My Lord, My Father in Heaven, who will not
forsake me. Who will always be with me in times of trouble.
You have answered my prayer.*

#P117

When I Talk To God My Lord

*Life is eternal, it does not end
Our Father tells us so.
Believe what He says, my friend
for He surely does know.
He created all life you see;
death is just a transition he explains.
He made life eternally so the soul forever will remain.
The body is only the clothes we wear; we take them off
when we go home. We won't need them over there for our
Father gives us new ones to wear. The new clothes last
forever you see throughout all eternity. Once again we will
all come together to share our lives and love*

#P118

Life Eternal

*Faith is what fuels our lives
and gives motivation,
inspiration, eternal hope for our existence.
It's not easy to step out on faith,
but you can stand steady on God's promises.
This is what we know you'd say.
So go in confidence,
knowing that God's grace
and my prayers
are always with you.
One day at a time.
For we know and believe that
"faith is the substance of things hoped for,
the evidence of things not seen"
For you lived by faith and grace,
Love and hope, caring and sharing ...
Oh Yes, "MOM"
you taught us this one day at a time.*

#P119

Faith Is What Fuels Our Lives

*A Mother's Love Is
Being happy for her children
When they are happy
Being sad for her children
When they are sad
Being together in good and bad times.
A Mother's Love is a source of strength
A Mother's Love Is
Being honest with herself at all times
Being honest with her children at all times
Talking, listening and respecting the truth and never pretending
A Mother's Love is the source of reality.
A Mother's Love Is
An understanding so complete that she feels
as if she is a part of her children
Accepting her children just the way they are
And not trying to change them into being something else
A Mother's Love is the source of unity.
A Mother's Love Is
The freedom to pursue her own desires while
sharing her experiences with her children
The growth of her individuality along with
the growth of her children's individuality
A Mother's Love is the source of success.
A Mother's Love Is
Knowing that her children will always be with her
Regardless of what happens
Missing her children when they pass
But knowing that they are near in her heart
A Mother's Love is the source of security.
Most of all a Mother's Love is Forever!*

#P120

A Mother's Love

*Your life is a beautiful memory,
Your absence is a silent grief;
Your sleep is in God's beautiful
garden, Of sunshine and perfect peace
Of sorrow too great to be told;
But to us who love you and lost you,
Your memory will never grow old.*

#P121
A Tribute

*A precious one from us is gone,
A voice we love is stilled,
A place is vacant in our heart
which never can be filled.
But always beautiful memories
of one we love so dear.*

#P122
A Precious One From Us Is Gone

*Many times I feel downhearted ... weary
from the weight of strife ... for almost at
every turning ... New hurts come into my life
... as soon as one problem is solved ...
another looms in view ... until it seems like
trouble ... never will be through ... though
so-called friends forsake me ... as they most
always will ... I know there still is someone
... to help me climb the hill ... so I turn my
thoughts to God ... Who answers every call
... with the kind of tenderness ... that matters
above all ... and after just a prayer or two ...
my faith is born anew ... and I go along the
way ... that fate deemed I pursue ... so when
you feel downhearted ... reach for the
Master's hand ... however great the problem
is ... He will understand.*

#P123
Sketches

*Stay, that's what so many of us wanted to say
She said I'm sorry I have to go because God has
made a way away for me to look down upon you
A way for me to guide you through
The many obstacles that God has planned
And because of my strength I know
you too will stand
What will we do without you?
She said live on that's what I want you to do.
Because know that I am still with you in everything
you do. Who will I talk to and which way do I turn?
She said turn to each other, time and time again
for there are lessons to be learned. Learn from each
other no matter how old or young Because know that
you are all family so don't forget to behave as one
What about when I miss you and I just want to see
your face? She said just think of me smiling at you
in your most memorable time and place.
How do I know that you're up there and that you're
alright? She said I was a good-hearted woman so
God has received me now and
I no longer have to fight.*

#P124
Stay

*Our hearts are filled with sadness
Our eyes are filled with tears
Our thoughts are of the times we shared with
you
Over the many, many years.
Some of the times were good
And some of the times were bad
But, we thank the Lord above,
For all the times we had.
And as the tears roll down our faces
From our tear-filled eyes
And with our heavy and broken hearts
We say our last goodbye.
We loved you when you were here
And we will love you eternally.*

#P125
Godspeed Dear Mother

*If God can take a small, brown seed
And grow a lovely flower,
Or set a rainbow in the sky
When sun shines through a shower -
Can't we trust our loved ones
To His very special care
In that great heavenly mansion
That He has prepared somewhere?*

#P126
If God Can Take A Small Brown Seed

*Away from earth's worries
Away from all cares
Our loved one is sleeping
Beyond the sun's glare,
His life's work is finished
So why should we weep?
In God's wonderful garden
He has fallen asleep.*

#P127
Asleep (Male)

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card, or sat
quietly in a chair. Perhaps you sent a
floral piece if so we saw it there.
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words as
any friend could say. Perhaps you
were not there at all, just thought of us
that day. Whatever you did to console
our hearts we thank you so much
whatever the part.*

#P128
Perhaps

*You wonder why I went away
And didn't say goodbye;
I couldn't bear to tell you
For it hurts me when you cry.*

*My ship came in early this morning
And it was beautiful to see;
The captain was King Jesus,
And he softly beckoned me.*

*I ran across the leeway
And fell down at his feet
He took me gently in His arms,
My rest is now complete.*

#P129
Didn't Say Goodbye

Gone to be at rest
Gone to be with the very best
Free from trouble
Free from pain
Gone never to suffer again
Trials are all past
They are home at last
Resting in God's land

#P130
Gone To Be At Rest

Fill not your hearts with pain and sorrow
But remember me in every tomorrow,
Remember the joy, and the smiles
I've only gone to rest a little while
Although my leaving causes pain and grief
My going has eased my hurt and given me
relief. So dry your eyes and remember me,
Not as I am now, but as I used to be.
Because I will remember you all and look
on with a smile. Understand in your
hearts, I've only gone to rest a little while.
As long as I have the love of each of you
I can live my life in the hearts of all of you.

#P131
**Fill Not Your Hearts With Pain
And Sorrow**

Oh, my loved ones, why do you weep?
Wipe away your tears, for I'm only asleep.
Will not awake when you call my name,
Because in the midst of the night, Death
came. I have earned this eternal rest,
Because in life God put me to the test.
The battle is over and the victory is won,
God spoke to me and
he said, "Well Done."
He stretched out His hand to beckon me,
And said, "Come home my child, to
eternity." Wipe away the tears, because
I'm only asleep, I'm in the arms of Jesus,
so there's no need to weep.
Weeping may endure for the night,
But joy cometh in the morning.

#P132
No Need To Weep

Those we loved remain with us,
For love itself lives on.
Cherished memories never fade,
Because a loved one is gone.
Those we love can never be,
More than a thought apart.
For as long as there are memories,
They'll live on in our hearts.

#P133
Those We Loved Remain With Us

God saw you were getting weary
So he did what he thought best.
He came and stood beside you
And whispered "**Come And Rest.**"
You bade no one a last farewell,
No, not even a goodbye.
You were gone before we knew it,
And only God knows why.
We shall forever cherish the love,
And memory of you.
You have been everything to us
A son, a brother, an uncle,
a nephew, a friend.
God saw the road was getting rough, The
hills so hard to climb.
So he gently closed your loving eyes And
whispered, "**Peace Be Thine.**"

#P134
Peace Be Thine

I could not bear my cross alone
So weak and worn was I,
But Jesus came Himself to help
And soon my tears were dry.
It broke my heart to leave dear friends,
And loved ones I adore,
Although I knew, earth's sadness ends
At Heaven's golden door.
For this is a journey we all must take
No matter where or when,
Keep precious memories for my sake
Until we meet again.

#P135
I Could not Bear My Cross Alone

Sad and solemn was the call,
Of one who was dearly loved by all.
Someday we know we will meet her.
Someday we know not when,
On the beautiful Isle of somewhere,
Never to part again!

#P136
We'll Meet Again

What a precious gift to life she is,
My Mother
Embodied with the gentle strength
Of our ancestor's eternal love
She truly is the meaning
Of understanding and goodness.
With support and guidance
She gave me the freedom
To follow my mind and my heart,
Encouraging me always to
Seek the goodness in others
And find it in myself.
This Mother's Day
I realize how lucky I am
That I can say
She is my Mother.

#P137
On Mother's Day

Servant of God, well done!
Rest from thy loved employ.
The battle fought, the victory won.
Enter the Master's joy.
The pains of death are past.
Labors and sorrows cease.
And life's long warfare closed at last.
The soul's found in peace.

#P138
Well Done

*Years have come to pass, yet today I'm gone
In the Bible it says we don't live forever, so This Is How I Say
Goodbye Mommy please be strong
My life was lasting through the spirit of God
So I leave my heart to my daughter who's my joy and pride
For all my loved ones who followed me through life's ride
I want you to know my fear should be not
of death but of staying alive
But in your heart you still have God to
wipe away the water from your teary eyes
I know my time of living is not forever
But hopefully as I go God and I will meet together
God said, "One day my child you will suffer no more"
When I meet up with Him at Heaven's door
One day you will see me again for all it's worth
I was told to be joyful when someone leaves
this hateful world but cry at birth
As I go everyone is to remember me as a beautiful thing
When you close your eyes you will see me, I'm the angel with the
sparkling wing.*

#P139

This Is How I Say Goodbye

*Don't think of her as gone away
Her journey's just begun.
Life holds so many facets
This earth is only one.
Just think of her resting
From the sorrows and the tears
In a place of warmth and comfort
Where there are no days and years.
Think how she must be wishing
That we could know today
How nothing but our sadness
Can really pass away
And think of her as living
In the hearts of those she touched
For nothing loved is ever lost
And she was loved so much.*

#P140

Her Journey's Just Begun

*Loved ones will weep o'er my silent face,
Dear ones will clasp me in sad embrace,
Shadows and darkness will fill the place,
Five minutes after I die.*

*Thanks be to Jesus for pardon free,
He paid my debt on Mount Calvary's tree,
Paradise gates will enfold even me,
Five minutes after I die.*

*O marvelous grace that has rescued me,
O joyous moment when Jesus I see,
O happy day when like Him I'll be,
Five minutes after I die.*

*God help you to choose your eternal state
Depends on your choice, you dare not wait;
You must choose now; it will be too late
Five minutes after you die.*

#P141

Five Minutes After I Die

*If I knew it would be the last time I'd see you fall asleep, I would tuck you
in more tightly and pray the Lord, your soul to keep,
If I knew it would be the last time that I see you walk out the door, I would
give you a hug and kiss and call you back for more.
If I knew it would be the last time I'd hear your voice lifted up in praise, I
would video tape each action and word, so I could play them back day after
day.
If I knew it would be the last time, I could spare an extra minute or two to
stop and say "I Love You", instead of assuming you would KNOW I do.
If I knew it would be the last time I would be there to share your day, well
I'm sure you'll have so many more, so I can let just this one slip away.
For surely there's always tomorrow to make up for an oversight, and we
always get a second chance to make everything right.
There will always be another day to say our "I love you's", And certainly
there's another chance to say our "Anything I can do's?" But just in case I
might be wrong, and today is all I get, I'd like to say how much I love you
and I hope you never forget, Tomorrow is not promised to anyone, young or
old alike, And today may be the last chance you get to hold your loved one
tight.
So if you're waiting for tomorrow, why not do it today? For if tomorrow
never comes, you'll surely regret the day, That you didn't take that extra
time for a smile, a hug, or a kiss and you were too busy to grant someone,
what turned out to be their one last wish.
So hold your loved ones close today, whisper in their ear, Tell them how
much you love them and that you'll always hold them dear. Take time to say
"I'm sorry," "please forgive me," "thank you" or "it's okay". And if
tomorrow never comes, you'll have NO regrets about today.*

#P142

A Nice Thought

When evening comes I meditate, on what the day has brought and do my best to understand what lessons have been taught. For I believe the reason why, we have been given birth . Is we must meet the challenges, that we face here on earth. Life isn't just a one-way street, where we can't lift our voices. From birth until the day we die, we're given many choices. I have to question, did I try, to really understand The needs that someone else may have, and lend a helping hand? If I will just remember, to light one little spark That brightness someone else's life, that otherwise is dark. Then I can find contentment, in doing what I can And knowing there's a reason, I've been chosen for His plan.

#P143
Soliloquy

On the wings of death and sorrow
God sends us hope for tomorrow
And in His mercy and His grace
He gives us strength to bravely face
The lonely days that stretch ahead
And know our loved one is not dead,
But only sleeping and out of sight
In that land where there is no night.

#P144
On The Wings Of Death And Sorrow

When I come to the end of the road and the sun has set for me,
I want no rites in a gloom filled room,
Why cry for a soul set free?
Miss me a little-but not too long, and not with your head bowed low.
Remember the love that we once shared,
Miss me-but let me go. For this is a journey that we all must take and each and every one of us must go alone. It's all part of the Master's plan, a step on the road to home. When you are lonely and sick at heart, go to the friends we know. And bury your sorrows in doing good deeds
Miss me-but let me go.

#P145
Miss Me, But Let Me Go!

Where I'm going is a beautiful and silent place. No cries, sickness or worries for eternity. Why grieve for me when you have each other? Don't think of the bad times. Think of good times we've had together. Over the years, tired and sickly ... I feel much better with Jesus. God saw I was getting tired, so He picked me up on His wings so I could rest.

#P146
I Have Gone To A Better Place

God knows best when you are discouraged. He knows when you are blue, He knows if you need comforting. He watches over you. He knows when things are going wrong. And friends seem to be few. When trials and trouble get you down. He watches over you. He's always near in time of need. When dark clouds are in view And when you think you can't go on He watches over you. And when you really need a friend One who's kind and true. Just put your faith and trust in Him He watches over you.

#P147
God Knows Best

Can you see with your mind's eye, peoples dwelling together? Sorrow has passed. Peace at last! Life without tears and pain. Sing out with joy of heart. You, too, can have a part. Live for the day when you'll say: "Life without end, at last!" Man and beast living in peace, cause no harm to each other. Food will be there. All will share in what God provides. Sing out with joy of heart. You, too, can have a part. Live for the day when you'll say: "Life without end, at last!" In those days old will grow young, flesh revived as in childhood. Troubles are gone from now on. No need to weep or fear. Sing out with joy of heart. You, too, can have a part. Live for the day when you'll say: "Life without end, at last!" Paradise all will enjoy as they sing of God's glory. Yes ev'ry day we will say to God our Master, "Thanks!" Sing out with joy of heart. You, too, can have a part. Live for the day when you'll say: "Life without end, at last!"

#P148
Can You See Your Mind's Eye

There are many things in life
That we cannot understand
But we must trust God's judgment
And be guided by His hand
You toiled so hard for those you loved
Your love for you family was true
You did your best for all of us
And we will always remember you
Only God knows how much we'll miss you
And how much you meant to us
Though your smile is gone forever
And your love we cannot touch
Yet we'll have as sweet memory
Of the one we loved so much
For many years, the family chain \was
closely linked together
But, oh! That chain is broken now
Another link is gone forever.

#P149
Rest Safely In His Care (V2)

There will be a light in the sky
From the palace on high
When I come to the end of my journey
Sweet relief from all care
Will be waiting for me there
When I come to the end of my journey.
When the long day is ended
The journey is over
I shall enter that blessed above,
For the Savior I love
Will be waiting for me
When I come to my journey's end.

#P150
There Will Be A Light In The Sky

A mother's love is something that no one can explain, it is made of deep devotion and sacrifice and pain, it is endless and unselfish and enduring come what may for nothing can destroy it or take that love away...
It is patient and forgiving when all others are forsaking, and it never fails or falters even though the heart is breaking... it believes beyond believing when the world around condemns, and it glows with all the beauty of the rarest, brightest gems ... It is far beyond defining, it defies all explanation, and it still remains a secret like the mysteries of creation ... a many splendor miracle man cannot understand and another wondrous evidence of God's tender guiding hand.

#P151
A Mother's Love

*Sweet guardian angel sent down
from above, you speak to me of
God's mercy and love. Assigned to
my care, God sent you to earth to
guard and protect me from time of
my birth. Although I can't see you,
I know that you're real. When
danger is lurking, your presence I
feel. It comforts me then to know
you are near, keeping watch over
me, whatever my fear. My friend
and protector each day of the year,
God knew I would need you and
that's why you're here.*

#P152

My Guardian Angel

*Though you're gone
You're not forgotten
Your place on earth can
never be filled
We shall keep your memory sacred*

#P153

Though You're Gone

*God came to me one day
He whispered in my ear
Come on my child, its time to go
Your home is now up there
I can't go now, I haven't said goodbye
To my friends and family
Don't worry, he said you don't have to
fear. In their hearts you'll always be
near. I went without saying anything
To all the people I love
Hoping they'll understand, it was in
God's plan and at His gates I'll stand
So now that I'm in the house of the
Lord I say don't shed a tear
Just think of it as his amazing grace
And know I'm always here Till our
hearts in death are stilled.*

#P154

God Came

*If the sun begins to hurt your eyes.
Then, it's time for you to realize.
Beyond this morning's skies,
lies a better day
If you let Him, He'll guide you.
He'll always be there.
Right there beside you.
Each and every step of your way.
Come and go where peaceful waters flow.
Our precious one.
Go and take your rest.
We love you so very much but,
God loves you best.*

#P155

If The Sun Begins To Hurt Your Eyes

*When your burdens are many
And your heart is heavy
And you doubt your strength can last,
Reach up, and hold tight to the Giver of
Life. And know, this too shall pass.
Of't times we are laden
With trials and sorrows
That seem to come all too fast.
Reach up, hold tight to the
Giver of Life. And know, this too shall
pass. When doubts and worries plague
your soul. And your problems are all too
vast, Reach up, hold tight to the Giver of
Life and know this too shall pass.
When your faith is tested. And pain is so
great And depression you can't seem to
cast Reach up, hold tight to the Giver of
Life. And know this too shall pass.*

#P156

This Too Shall Pass

*No more suffering, no more pain
Only sunshine, no more rain.
No more problems, no more stress
Only good times, no more mess.
No more crying, no more tears
Only smiles, no more fears.
No more running, no more hiding
Only the truth, no ore lying
No more wishing, no more hoping
Everything is granted, no more moping
No more hate, no more evil
Only God, no more devil
No more dealing with the physical form
Now spread your wings and Fly on.*

#P157

No More

*Just think of a world, a world without tears.
Where a man can live for a million years.
With never a grief, an ache, or a pain
And never a thought of dying again.
Think of a world where a lame man will leap
From crag to crag like a deer or a sheep.
Where none will be deaf or none shall be blind,
And the dumb shall sing and speak forth his mind.
Now a "World without tears". Is not just a dream.
As many a person might make it to seem,
For just as sure as the bible is true ...
A world without tears now lies before you.*

#P158

A World Without Tears

*God didn't promise
Days without pain,
Laughter without sorrow
Or sun without rain.
But God did promise
Strength for the day,
Comfort for the tears
And a light for the way,
And for all who believe
In His Kingdom above,
He answers their faith
With everlasting love.*

#P159

God's Promise

*Take time to think;
It is the source of power.
Take time to read;
It is the foundation of wisdom.
Take time to play;
It is the opportunity to seek God.
Take time to be aware;
It is the opportunity to help others.
Take time to love and to be loved;
It is God's greatest gift.
Take time to laugh;
It is the music of the soul.
Take time to be friendly;
It is the road to happiness.
Take time to dream;
It is what the future is made of.
Take time to appreciate people;
They are part of your years living.
Thank the people in your life;
For your life is so enriched by them.
Take time to pray;
It is the greatest power on Earth.*

#P160

Take Time

*Dear Family and Friends,
I want you to know that I have moved. I received a call from God, the Chief Architect, who informed me that my new house is ready and I could move immediately. Well, my new home is finished and its such a beautiful sight to behold. It is located in an exclusive estate area and it sits behind a beautiful pearly gate.*

There is peace, joy and happiness here with no more pain to bear, no strife or discontent. I could go on exploring around my new home but I have to get fitted for my wings. Let me give you my new address because I highly recommend you make plans to live here too.

*?
12 Gates to the City Avenue
Godstown, Heaven 77777.*

Oh yeah! Let me tell you this , I don't have a telephone yet, but first call God. If you don't have His number, He is listed in the Good Book on every page. Contact Him.

#P161
Change Of Address

*Life is Eternal, the Good Lord said,
So do not think of your loved one as dead
For death is only a stepping stone
To a beautiful life we have never known.
A place where God promised man he would be
Eternally happy and safe and free.
A wonderful land where we live anew,
When our journey on Earth is over and through.
So trust in God and doubt him never,
For all who love Him, live forever,
And while we cannot understand
Just let the Savior take your hand,
For when death's Angel comes to call,
"God is so great and we are so small"
And there is nothing you need fear
For faith in God makes all things clear.*

#P162
Life is Eternal

Just because I love you is why I sit and write these few words that mean so much.

To think that being without you would cause me grief, yet relief. God has allowed us a few wonderful years together. I admit all has not been a bed of roses but yet cherishable.

Now, we have come to the ending of our road together. This is where we part and the ending becomes the beginning.

Somewhere along the way, we lost one another.

In losing you I find myself. In finding myself, I find GOD. In finding GOD I find peace. Surely, GOD knows my love for you is sincere and true. I will always LOVE and remember nothing but the good.

Where there is no relationship there is no life. So, nothing can grow in a barren land.

I have pledged myself to succeed in life and I know success is always the result of conscientious and efficient effort.

I believe that GOD will lend me everything with which to succeed. I will never close my eyes in sleep without praying for Diving Guidance to the end, that I will be Patient and Persevere.

#P163
A New Beginning

One night a woman had a dream. She dreamed she was walking along the beach with the LORD. Across the sky flashed scenes from her life. For each scene, she noticed two sets of footprints in the sand; one belonged to her, and the other to the LORD.

When the last scene of her life flashed before her, she looked back at the footprints in the sand. She noticed that many times along the path of her life there was only one set of footprints. She also noticed that it happened at the very lowest and saddest times in her life.

This really bothered her and she 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 I 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."

#P164
Footprints (Female)

*God did not promise
Days without pain,
Laughter without sorrow
Or sun without rain.
But God did promise
Strength for the day,
Comfort for the tears
And a light for the way,
And for all who believe
In His Kingdom above,
He answers their faith
With everlasting love.*

#P165
God's Promise

*We are all God's children,
From the morning hour of birth,
He lets us live and laugh and love.
And have our day on earth.
He guards us through the afternoon,
Till sunset's rays are cast,
Them one by one, with gentle words,
He calls us home at last*

#P166
Home At Last

*By the Glorious
Morning Light
And by the Night
When it is still ...
The Guardian Lord
Hath not Forsaken thee
Nor is He displeased
And verily the Hereafter
Will be better for thee
Than the present.*

#P167
The Glorious Morning Light
Muslim Prayer

*Those we love must sometimes pass
Beyond our present sight;
Must leave us and must leave our world
Without their radiant light.
But, we can say that like the candle
They are just away.
That another room is brightened
By their warm and lovely ray.
And heaven's candelabra
Where they shine divinely bright
Each candle burns forevermore
In God's eternal light.*

#P168

*Remember me, God?
I come every day
Just to talk with You
And to learn how to pray.*

*You make me feel welcome,
You reach out Your hand.
I need never explain
For You understand.*

*O God, what comfort to know You care
And to know when I seek You,
You will always be there.*

#P169
It's Me Again, God

*When God calls little children to dwell with
Him above, we mortals sometimes question
the wisdom of his love. For an 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
rosebud before it can grow old. God knows
how much we need them, and so he takes
but 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.*

#P170
Little Angels

*Sometimes it's hard to understand
Why some things have to be.
But in His wisdom God has planned,
Beyond our power to see.
So looking back in tenderness,
Along the road we trod,
We cherish the years we've had with
You and leave the rest to God.*

#P171

*Our Father knows what's best for us,
So why should we complain ...
We always want the sunshine,
But He knows there must be rain.
We love the sound of laughter
And the merriment of cheer;
But our hearts would lose their tenderness
If we never shed a tear.
Our Father tests us often
With suffering and with sorrow;
He tests us, not to punish us,
But to help us meet "tomorrow."
For growing trees are strengthened
When they withstand the storm;
And the sharp cut of the chisel
Gives the marble grace and form.
God never hurts us needlessly,
And He never wastes our pain;
For every loss He sends to us
Is followed by rich gain.
And when we count the blessing
That God has so freely sent;
We will find no cause for murmuring
And no time to lament.
For our Father loves His children,
And to Him all things are plain;
So He never sends us "Pleasure"
When the "soul's deep need is pain."
So whenever we are troubled,
And when everything goes wrong,
It is just God working in us
To make "our spirits strong."*

#P172
God Knows Best

***While strolling in Life's Garden,
I saw beauty on every turn,
Bright flowers were all blooming,
Midst stately rows of fern.
Amongst such lovely splendor
Were roses full of thorns,
White lilies aged, with browning,
A product of Life's Storms.
We too, have thorns and thistles
That prick and cause us pain;
Sometimes we trip and stumble,
But God pick us up again.
Then as we stroll Life's Garden,
There are signs along the way;
If we will read and follow them,
We won't get lost or stray.
Christ is the garden keeper,
Who tends our needs as well,
As long as we look up to Him,
His love won't let us fail.***

#P173
Strolling Life's Garden

If you should awaken one day to find that God had forbidden my sun to shine I wish that you would not shed a tear just bow your head and say a prayer.

My funeral is not being preached today it is a celebration in a way.

I've shed my troubles, my ups and downs now I'm going home to get my crown.

I've done some bad, I've done some good but God is merciful, He understood. He forgave my sins and set me straight and now I can enter the Pearly Gates.

#P174

Words of Comfort

People are often unreasonable, illogical, and self-centered; Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish ulterior motives; Be kind anyway.

If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies; Succeed anyway.

If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you; Be honest and frank anyway.

What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight; Build anyway.

If you find serenity and happiness, they may be jealous; Be happy anyway.

The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow; Do good anyway.

Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough; Give the world the best you've got anyway.

You see, in the final analysis, it is between you and God; It was never between you and them anyway.

#P175

Do It Anyway

*Life begins and life ends.
And I will never forget how
I spent my life with you.
You being the one , who listened
when I cried and wept,
The one who I kept up when I couldn't sleep.
The one who told me in few words
that everything would be alright.
The one who always made sense
of my lack of sense.
And as my life begins I will
never forget the woman
who I thought was so cool,
The woman who broke some of the rules.
“ * ” I could never explain how much you
have contributed to my life,
And no one will ever be able to so as you did,
But as your life ends, my life begins.*

#P176

*I have to live with myself, and so
I want to be for myself to know.
I want to be able, as days go by,
Always to look myself straight in the eye.
I don't want to stand, with the setting sun,
And hate myself for the things I've done.
I want to go out with my head erect,
I want to deserve all men's respect.
For here in the struggle for fame and self
I want to be able to like myself.
I don't want to look at myself and
know I'm bluster, a bluff
and an empty show.
I never can hide myself from ME;
I see what others may never see.
I know what others may never know,
I never can fool myself, and so,
Whatever happens, I want to be
Self-respecting and conscience-free.*

#P177

Myself

The Glorious Morning Light

*By the Glorious
Morning Light
And by the Night
When it is still ...
The Guardian Lord
Hath not Forsaken thee
Nor is He displeased
And verily the Hereafter
Will be better for thee
Than the present.*

- Amen -

#P178

Going Home "Prayer"

Farewell my family, don't weep for I'm at peace now, just asleep. Farewell my family, I'm not alone, the Mighty Maker has led me safely home. Just think back over the many years, how the family seemed so strong, holding back the tears. Yet, God somehow always made a way, thanking Him every night and day. Be good my family, always love each other. Be strong my family, strong in heart, the blood ties, no one can ever part. If at some time I made a mistake, as you live, many will you make. Farewell my family, I've been called away. Walk with God, trust in His word, for He is always by your side.

#P179

Farewell

*Do not cry for me, for I have lived my life to the extent of time which God has granted me.
Do not cry for me, for I have walked a long way in my lifetime, I have moved on to fulfill my destiny.
Do not cry for me, for I am not lost, I am home where I am free.
When you think of my passing, picture my face in your mind and reminisce of the times that have passed be it good or bad;
Do not cry for me for I am with God, and my life has just begun.*

#P180

"Don't Cry For Me"

*I would rather have a little rose from the garden of a friend, than have the choicest flowers when my stay on earth shall end.
I would rather have the kindest words and a smile that I can see, than flattery, when my heart is still and this life ceased to be.
I would rather have a loving smile from the friends I know are true than tears shed around my casket when this world I bid adieu.*

#P181

*Mother you were such a good one, you raised me oh, so well
You lived your life and grew in grace,
No one else can take your place
No more pain and suffering will you endure I loved you so much, but God loved you more. He chose you to come through those pearly gates, Oh you are so much better in that perfect place. You were much more than a mother, you were my backbone, best friend, mentor and leader I will always love you, and your memories will live with me for the rest of my life. I could not be so selfish to have you all for myself. He wanted to enjoy all of those magnificent memories that I have of you. You have emerged from this earthly shell, Now with ? And ? you will dwell.*

#P182

To My Beloved Mother

*I have finished now with this
house of clay
Please kindly and carefully lay it away,
And let me rest from this life of pain,
Failing in sunshine, storm and rain.
Trying to help my family and friends
Turning no needy from my door
Many times I was misunderstood
When I had done the best I could.
I'm tired now so let me rest
Don't cry, don't you know
God knows best?
I have another house you know,
Where God's redeemed can go.
I don't need this house of clay
So tenderly, carefully lay it away.*

#P183
House of Clay

*God looked around His garden
and found an empty place.
Then He looked down upon the earth
and saw your tired face.
He placed His arms around you
and lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful,
for He only takes the best.
He knew that you were suffering,
He knew you were in pain,
He saw the road was getting rough
and the hills were hard to climb,
so He closed your eyes and whispered
"Peace be Thine."
It broke our hearts to lose you
but you did not go alone,
a part of us went with you
the day God called you home.
If love would have saved you,
you never would have died.*

#P184
God looked around His Garden

*Time is not measured
by the years that you live
But by the deeds that you do
and the joy that you give -
And each day as it comes
brings a chance to each one
To love to the fullest,
leaving nothing undone
That would brighten the life
or lighten the load
Of some weary traveler
lost on life's road -
So what does it matter
how long we may live
If as long as we live
we unselfishly give.*

#P185
The Joy Of Unselfish Giving

*In the stillness we think of you
husband, father, brother and friend.
In the breeze, in a tear, in a sound, in passing a
porch seeing an empty chair, the smell of a cigar,
a cigarette or listening to elderly men chatting,
laughing, throwing up their hands talking about
their yesterdays and when they were young.*

*In stillness of our mind, when we are all alone,
everyone has gone home. I still feel you, smell
you, the warmth of a hug, the sound of your laugh
and how all the simple things that you gave will
last. You will never be forgotten, we will learn to
live with your memory.*

*Our shooting star that was borrowed to us. We
thank God for you, to God be the Glory in His
Stillness of time..... We say see you on the other
side Daddy, Husband, Brother and Friend.
Thanks for all the things you done that was
appreciated and those things that went unnoticed
and what was never done..... It don't matter no
how. In the stillness we thank
the day that you were born.*

#186
In the Stillness

*No reason for sorrow, no reason to cry. Look
toward tomorrow and I'll tell you why my
memories of you and yours of me are filled
with love and laughter forever. You'll see no
reason to worry, nor question God as to why
you have lost me. No reason to say goodbye.*

*It's time for my journey home, a beautiful and
peaceful trip that I must make alone. So just
be strong and keep a smile, we'll only be
apart for a little while. The love I've known is
a very special part, the love I've shown came
straight from the heart.*

*I leave you now to go on my way to a
wonderful place where we'll be together
someday. No reason at all as you can see. I'm
with my Lord. He'll take care of me.*

#P187
To My Loved Ones

*Life is but a stopping place,
A pause in what's to be,
A resting place along the road
To sweet Eternity.
We all have different journeys,
Different paths along the way,
We all were meant to learn something,
But never meant to stay.....
Our destination is a place far
Greater than we know,
For some, the journey's quicker,
For some, the journey's slow.
And when the journey finally ends,
We'll claim a great reward,
And find an everlasting peace,
Together with the Lord.*

#P188
The Road To Eternity

*Almighty and most Merciful God
Who, when little children born again of
water depart this mortal life, doest
forthwith, without any desert of other,
bestow upon them life everlasting, as we
believe thou hast done to this little child,
grant we beseech thee, that through the
intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary
and of all thy saints. We may serve thee
here with pure minds and be forever united
to the blessed little ones in paradise.*

Through Christ our Lord.

*Now I lay me down to sleep.....
I pray the Lord my soul to keep.....
If I should die before I wake....
I pray the Lord my soul to take....
May God bless all those I love.*

#P189
A Child's Prayer

*I'll loan to you for a little time a child of mine, He said
For you to love while she lives and mourn for when she's dead
She may be six or seven years or twenty-two or three
But will you till I call for her take care of her for me?
She'll bring her charms to gladden you and should her stay be brief
You'll have her lovely memories as solace for your grief*

*I cannot promise she will stay since all from Earth return
But there are some lessons taught down there
I want this child to learn
I've looked this wide world over in my search for teachers true
And from the throngs that crowd life's lanes - I've selected you
Now will you give her all your love? Not think the labor vain?
Not hate me when I come to call to take her home again?*

*I fancied that I heard them say; "Dear Lord, Thy Will Be Done"
For all the joys this child will bring the risk of grief we'll run
We'll shelter her with tenderness, We'll love her while we may
And for the happiness we've known forever grateful stay
But should the angels call for her much sooner than we planned
We'll brave the bitter grief that comes and try to understand*

#P181
A Child of Mine (female)

*I'll lend you for a while a child of mine," He said.
"For you to love the while he lives and mourn for when he's dead.
It may be six or seven years, or twenty-two or three,
But will you, till I call him back, take care of him for me?
He'll bring his charms to gladden you, and should his stay be brief,
You'll have his lovely memories as solace for your grief."*

*"I cannot promise he will stay; since all from earth return,
But there are lessons taught down there I want this child to learn.
I've looked the wide world over in My search for teachers true
And from the throngs that crowd life's lanes I have chosen you.
Now will you give him all your love, not think the labor vain,
Nor hate Me when I come to call to take him back again?"*

*"I fancied that I heard them say, "Dear Lord, Thy will be done!
For all the joy Thy child shall bring, the risk of grief we run.
We'll shelter him with tenderness, we'll love him while we may,
And for the happiness we've known, forever grateful stay;
But should the angels call for him much sooner than we've
planned,
We'll brave the bitter grief that comes and try to understand!"*

#P181
A Child of Mine (male)

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Spanish Prayers



Jehová es mi pastor: nada me faltará En lugares de delicados pastos me hará descansar: junto a aguas de reposo me pastoreará. Confortará mi alma: me guiará por sendas de justicia por amor de su nombre. Aunque ande en valle de sombra de muerte, no temeré mal alguno, porque tú estarás conmigo: tu vara y tu cayado me infundirán aliento. Aderezas mesa delante de mi en presencia de mis angustiadores: unges mi cabeza con aceite: mi copa está rebosando. Ciertamente el bien y la misericordia me seguirán todos los dias de mi vida, y en la casa de Jehová moraré por largos dias.

#P200
Salmo 23

Alzaré mis ojos a los montes; De dónde vendrá mi socorro? Mi socorro viene de Jehová, que hizo los cielos y la tierra. No dará tu pie al resbaladero, Ni se dormirá el que te guarda. He aqui, no se adormecerá no dormirá. El que guarda a Israel. Jehová es t guardador; Jehová es tu sombra a tu mano derecha. El sol no te fatigará de día, ni la luna de noche. Jehová te guardará de todo mal; el guardara tu alma. Jehová guardará tu salida y tu entrada desde ahora y para siempre.

#P201
Salmo 121

El que habita al abrigo del Altísimo morará a la sombra del Omnipotente. Diré yo al SEÑOR: Refugio mío y fortaleza mía, mi Dios, en quien confío. Porque El te libra del lazo del cazador y de la pestilencia mortal. Con sus plumas te cubre, y bajo sus alas hallas refugio; escudo y baluarte es su fidelidad. No temerás el terror de la noche, ni la flecha que vuela de día, ni la pestilencia que anda en tinieblas, ni la destrucción que hace estragos en medio del día. Aunque caigan mil a tu lado y diez mil a tu diestra, a ti no se acercará. Con tus ojos mirarás y verás la paga de los impíos.

Porque has puesto al SEÑOR, que es mi refugio, al Altísimo, por tu habitación. No te sucederá ningún mal, ni plaga se acercará a tu morada. Pues El dará órdenes a sus ángeles acerca de ti, para que te guarden en todos tus caminos. En sus manos te llevarán, para que tu pie no tropiece en piedra. Sobre el león y la cobra pisarás; hollarás al cachorro de león y a la serpiente. Porque en mí ha puesto su amor, yo entonces lo libraré; lo exaltaré, porque ha conocido mi nombre. Me invocará, y le responderé; yo estaré con él en la angustia; lo rescataré y lo honraré; lo saciaré de larga vida, y le haré ver mi salvación.

#P203
Salmo 91

De Jehova es la tierra y su plenitude; El mundo, y los que en el habitan.

Porque el la fundo sobre los mares, Y la afirmo sobre los Rios.

Quien subira al monte de Jehova?
Y quien estara en su lugar santo?

El limpio de manos y puro de corazon;

El que no ha elevado su alma a cosas vanas, Ni jurado Con engano.

El recibira bendicion de Jehova,y justicia del Dios de salvacion.

#P204
Salmo 24

Cuando tenga que dejalos por un corto tiempo, por favor no se entristezcan ni derramen lagrimas ni se abracen a su pena a traves de el tiempo; por el contrario empiezen de Nuevo con valentia y con una sonrisa por mi memoria y en mi nombre vivan su vida y hagan todas las cosas igual que antes. No alimenten su soledad con dias vacios sino llenenlos de manera util. Extiendan su mano para confortar y dar animo y en cambio yo los confortare y los tendre cerca de mi; y nunca, nunca tengan miedo de morir porque yo estare esperandolos en el cielo!

#P205

Una noche un hombre tuvo un sueño. Soñó que caminaba en la orilla de una playa con el SEÑOR. A través del cielo se alumbraban escenas de su vida. En cada escena veía dos pares de huellas de pies en la arena: un par pertenecía a él y el otro, al SEÑOR. Cuando la última escena de su vida se alumbró ante él, miró hacia atrás, a las huellas en la arena, notó que muchas veces a lo largo del sendero de su vida, había sólomente un par de huellas. También notó que esto coincidía con los momentos más tristes y solitarios de su vida. Esto realmente le molestó y le preguntó al SEÑOR: "SEÑOR, Tú dijiste una vez que yo decidí seguirte, Tú caminarias conmigo todo el camino, pero he notado que en las momentos más difíciles de mi vida, hay sólomente un par de huellas. Yo no comprendo por qué cuando más te he necesitado, me has dejado sólo." El SEÑOR le contestó: "Hijo mío, mi querido hijo, yo te amo y nunca te he dejado. Durante tus momentos de prueba y sufrimiento, cuando tú has visto únicamente un par de huellas, era entonces cuando yo te cargaba."

#P206
Las Huellas

Señor hazme un instrumento de tu paz!
Donde haya odio, siembre yo amor, donde
haya injuria, perdon: donde haya duda, fe:
donde haya desaliento, esperanza: donde
haya sombras, luz: donde haya tristeza
alegría.

Oh Divino Maestro! Concédeme que no
busque ser comprendido, sino
comprender: ser amado, sino amar: porque
dando, es como recibimos: perdonando, es
como Tú nos perdanos y muriendo en Ti,
es como nacemos a la Vida Eterna!

- S. Francisco de Asis

#P207

Dios te salve María: llena eres
de gracia, el Señor es contigo.
Bendita tú eres entre todas las
mujeres y bendito es el fruto
de tu vientre, Jesús. Santa
María, Madre de Dios ruega
por nosotros pecadores ahora
y en la hora de nuestra muerte.

Amén

#P208
El Ave Maria

Oh Dios, através de la muerte de tu
Hijo en la cruz, tu has sobrepasado el
sufrimiento de la muerte por nosotros.

A través de su entierro, Tú has hecho
la tumba un lugar sagrado.

Rogamos por todos los que han muer-
to creyendo en Jesus, y han sido en-
terrados con Él creyendo que algún
día llegaría el día de la resurrección.

En el nombre del Padre, del Hijo y del
Espíritu Santo.

Amén.

#P209

Angel de Dios, Mi querido
Guardián; fuiste enviado para
protegernos.

En este día permanece junto a mí,
para alumbrar y guiar, guardarme
y dirigirme.

Enseñame, mi querido Angel de
la Guarda, a conocer a Dios, para
amarlo y servirlo por siempre.

Aléjame de todo peligro y
enseñame el camino al Cielo.

Amén.

#P210

Oración al Angel de la Guarda

Oración a la Virgen de Guadalupe
Oh amada Virgen de Guadalupe,
rosa mística, intercede por nosotros
ante tu Hijo y obteén por nosotros
las gracias que te pedimos.

En los momentos de angustia
defiendenos de las fuerzas de
nuestros enemigos, y a la hora de
nuestra muerte recibe nuestra alma
en el Cielo.

Amén

#P211

Oh Piadoso Corazón de Jesus siempre
presente en el Sacramento, siempre
lleno de amor ardiente por las pobres
almas cautivas en el Purgatorio, ten
piedad del alma de quien llega a Ti
con humildad. No seas muy severo en
Vuestro Juicio y deja que algunas
gotas de Vuestra Preciosa Sangre
caigan en las devoradoras llamas y
haced, oh piadosa Señor, que
Vuestros Angeles conduzcan el alma
de quien a Ti clama, a un lugar de
descanso y paz eterna.

Amén

#P212

Padre Nuestro, que estás en el cielo,
santificado sea tu Nombre; venga a
nosotros tu reino; hágase tu
voluntad en la tierra como en el
cielo. Danos hoy nuestro pan de
cada día; perdona nuestras ofensas
como también nosotros
perdonamos a los que nos ofenden;
no nos dejes caer en la tentación, y
líbranos del mal.

Amén

#P213

Padre Nuestro

Senor,
Dame la serenidad
Necesaria
Para aceptar las
Cosas que no puedo
Cambiar.
Coraje par
Cambiar las cosas que puedo
Y Astucia para
Saber la diferencia
Entre ellas.

#P214

*Yo soy la resurreccion y la
Vida el que cree en mi,
Aunque haya muerto, vivira,
Y el que vive y cree en mi,
No morira para siempre.*

#P215