

Sample Verses

1

Afterglow

*I'd like the memory of me
to be a happy one,
I'd like to leave an afterglow
of smiles when life 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
when life is done.*

~ Helen Lowrie Marshall

2

Check Gender

*The memory of his/her life
Lived in peace and harmony,
And entirely dedicated
To the family,
Will remain inefaceable
In the minds of all those
Who knew and loved him/her.*

3

One At Rest

*Think of me as one at rest
for me you should not weep,
I have no pain no troubled thoughts
for I am just asleep.*

*The living thinking me that was,
is now forever still.
And life goes on without me
as time forever will.*

*If your heart is heavy now
because I've gone away,
dwell not long upon it friend
for none of us can stay.*

*Those of you who liked me
I sincerely thank you all,
and those of you who loved me
I thank you most of all.*

4

*Do not cry for my absence
feel me close and still
talk to me.
I will love you from heaven
as I have loved you
on earth.*

5

A Wonderful Man

Check Gender

*A wonderful man laid to rest
For everyone he did his best*

*His deeds were good
His heart was kind
A better husband and dad
No-one could find*

*Loved by all who knew him
Sadly missed – Sleep peacefully*

6

Do Not Stand at My Grave & Weep

*Do not stand at my grave and weep
I am not there, I do not sleep.*

*I am the thousand winds that blow.
I am the diamond glints on snow.*

*I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle Autumn rain.*

*When you awake in the morning's hush
I am the swift uplifting rush*

*Of quiet birds in circling 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.*

~ Mary Elizabeth Frye

7

Death Is Nothing At All

*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 you always used.*

*Laugh as we always laughed
at the little jokes we enjoyed together.
Play, smile, think of me, and pray for me.*

*Let my name be the household word
that it always was.*

*Let it be spoken without effect.
Life means all that it ever meant.*

*It is the same that 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 it was before,
How we shall laugh at the trouble of parting
when we meet again!*

~ Henry Scott-Holland



8

We Speak Your Name

Check Gender

*We speak your name
with love and pride.
We smile through tears
we try to hide.*

*Thank you Mum/Dad for
the time we shared.
The love you gave
and the way you cared.*

*You left a place
no one can fill.
We miss you Mum/Dad
and always will.*

9

I Will Be There

*And if I go,
while you're still here ...
know that I live on,
vibrating to a different measure
- behind a thin veil you
cannot see through.
You will not see me,
so you must have faith.
I wait for the time when we can
soar together again
- both aware of each other.
Until then, live your life
to its fullest.
And when you need me,
just whisper my name
in your heart,
... I will be there.*

10

He Only Takes The Best

*God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be
So he put his arms around you
And whispered, come with me.*

*With tearful eyes we watched you
And saw you pass away
And although we really loved you
We would 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.*

11

Miss Me, But Let Me Go

*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're lonely and sick of heart,
Go to the friends we know,
And lose your sorrows in doing good deeds,
Miss me, but let me go.*

12

To All Who Loved Me

*When I am gone, release me, let me go;
You have so many things to see and do.
You must not 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 all have shown
But now it's time I travelled on alone.*

*So grieve awhile 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 will not be far away, for life goes on –
So if you need me, call and I will come.
Though you cannot see or touch me, I'll be near,
And if you listen with your heart you'll hear
All of my love around you soft and clear.*

*Then when 'you' must come this way alone,
I will greet you with a smile
And a "Welcome Home".*



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13

His/Her Journey's Just Begun

Check gender

Don't think of him/her as gone away
His/her journey's just begun
Life holds so many facets
This earth is only one.

Just think of him/her as resting
From the sorrows and the tears
In a place of warmth and comfort
Where there are no days and years.

Think how he/she must be wishing
That we could know today
How nothing but our sadness
can really pass away.

And think of him/her as living
In the hearts of those he/she touched
For nothing loved is ever lost
And he/she was loved so much.

14

Remember Me (He/She Is Gone)

Check Gender

You can shed tears that he/she is gone
Or you can smile because he/she has lived
You can close your eyes and pray
that he/she'll come back
Or you can open your eyes
and see all he/she's left
Your heart can be empty
because you can't see him/her
Or you can be full of the love 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/her
and only that he/she's gone
Or you can cherish his/her 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/she'd want:
smile, open your eyes, love and go on.

14

That Man Is A Success

That man is a success
who has lived well,
Laughed often and loved much;

Who has gained the respect
of intelligent people
And the love of children;

Who has filled his niche
and accomplished his task;

Who leaves the world better
than he found it;

Who has never lacked appreciation
of earth's beauty
Or failed to express it;

Who looked for the best in others
and gave the best he had.

15

Footprints

One night a man had a dream. He dreamed he was
walking along the beach with the LORD.
Across the sky flashed scenes from his life.
For each scene, he noticed two sets
of footprints in the sand; one belonging 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 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."



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17

Angel Poem - We are Not Alone

*We are touched by Angels
walk where angels tread.
They will guard and guide us
through the days ahead.*

*In times of sorrow,
as in the days of joy,
they bring us hope and comfort
nothing can destroy.*

*In the hours of darkness,
when our dreams have flown
they bring us peace and healing.
We are not alone.*

*Through times of doubting,
still they understand.
We are touched by angels,
walking hand in hand.*

18

Legacy of Love

*A wife, a mother, a grandma too,
This is the legacy we have from you.
You taught us love and how to fight,
You gave us strength, you gave us might.*

*A stronger person would be hard to find,
And in your heart, you were always kind.
You fought for us all in one way or another,
Not just as a wife not just as a mother.*

*For all of us you gave your best,
Now the time has come for you to rest.
So go in peace, you've earned your sleep,
Your love in our hearts, we'll eternally keep*

Author - Unknown

19

Goodbye To My Dad

*Goodbye Dad, I had to say
A few months ago on a cold winter day*

*I'll remember the good times and try not to be sad
But saying goodbye still hurts so bad*

*I miss you more than I can express
My love for you will never grow less*

*I keep trying to imagine how I will go on
I realize tomorrow is another dawn*

*I know you're in heaven above
Looking down on us with all your love*

*Only to whisper in our ear
Remember that I'll never stopped loving you dear*

*I'll always remember the good times we had
Remember the man, my wonderful Dad*

*I'll remember you each and every day
And if I need to talk to you, I'll just sit down and pray*

*One day we'll be together again
To talk about all the places we been*

*Until the time I'll always treasure
Having you for a Dad was such a great pleasure*

- By Debra Marie Stratton-VanBuskirk

20

DAD/MOM

Check gender

*We'll always remember
that special smile,
that caring heart,
that warm embrace,
you always gave us.*

*You being there
for Mom/Dad and us
through good and bad times,
no matter what.*

*We'll always remember
you Dad/Mom because
there will never be another one
to replace you in our hearts,
and the love we will always
have for you.*



Sample Verses

21

Eternal Garden – Sherry Rockhill

*You can no longer see me,
but please know that I am there
I am the flowers in the garden,
I am the wind beneath your hair*

*The memories that I left behind,
shall forever be with you
As for me I am in heaven now,
where my life will start anew*

*No longer do I suffer
No longer do I feel pain
I'm at peace watching you from heaven now
Until we meet again*

*I have always loved my flowers
With nature I was one
My flowers are in heaven now
As my time on Earth is done*

*I am planting my roses in heaven
My lilies and daisies too
For I want my garden to be perfect
On the day God calls for you*

*When you walk through the gates of Heaven
I will take you by the hand
And lead you to my eternal garden
Where we will shall never part again!*

23

The Broken Chain

*We little knew that day,
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 at 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: Ron Tranmer

22

To my loved ones left behind

*This should not be a day of sadness
I want you all to smile
Don't concentrate on the pain in your heart
Please believe I'm in the aisle*

*From now on when I cross your mind
Even though you don't see me there
Reach out and give me a hug
My spirit will be in the air*

*I'll look in on you from time to time
Maybe I'll let you know I'm there
But if you're sad when you think of me
It will be more than I can bear*

*I've only passed on to a better place
I'm with the ones I've loved and lost
We're on the other side having a party
And there's no worry of the cost*

*I love each and every one of you
Please try not to cry
My body may be dead and gone
But my spirit will never die*

Author - Shirley R. Hamill

24

God's Garden

*God looked around his garden
And found an empty place,
He then looked down upon the earth
And saw your tired face.*

*He put his arms around you
And lifted you to rest.
God's garden must be beautiful
He always takes the best.*

*He knew that you were suffering
He knew you were in pain.
He knew that you would never
Get well on earth again.*

*He saw the road was getting rough
And the hills were hard to climb.
So he closed your weary eyelids
And whispered, 'Peace bethine'.*

*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.*



26

Do Not Weep

*Do not weep that I have gone,
'Be Glad' that I have been.*

*For I have known life to it fullest measure
I have felt pain and I have known pleasure.*

*Tears I have cried in grief and in laughter
I have known love and all that comes after.*

*I've tasted the salt and bitterness of tears,
I've walked in the rain when the day is done
Felt a soft summer breeze,
And the warmth of the sun.*

*I've sat by the sea and heard the waves pound,
Held the hand that is friendship,
Its richness abound.*

*Yes, I have known life, and I will learn death,
so weep not for me that I have gone
'Be Glad' that I have been
and that I have known you.*

27

I'm Free

*Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free.
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard the 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 end of day.*

*If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss.
Ah yes, these things too, I will miss.*

*Be not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savoured much,
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.*

*Perhaps my time seemed all too brief;
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your hearts and share with me.
God wanted me now, He set me free.*

28

Irish Blessing

*May the road rise up to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back,
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
The rain fall soft upon your fields,
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of His hand.*

SHORT VERSES

1. *A special smile,
a special face,
and in our hearts,
a special place.*
2. *A face I love is missing,
a voice I love is still,
a place is vacant in my heart,
that no one else can fill.*
3. *Beautiful memories woven in gold,
this is the picture we tenderly hold,
deep in our hearts your memory
is kept, to love,
cherish and never forget.*
4. *Out of this world of suffering,
into God's garden of rest,
it must be a beautiful garden,
because He always takes the best.*
5. *Tired and weary you made no fuss,
you tried so hard to stay with us,
you suffered so much and told so few,
you never deserved what you went through.
Close to my/our heart(s) you will always stay,
loved and remembered every day.*
6. *With tears we saw you suffer,
We watched you fade away,
Our hearts were slowly breaking,
As you fought so hard to stay.
You did not want to leave us,
But you did not go alone,
For part of us went with you,
The day God took you home...*



Thank You Verses

1.

*The family wish to thank you most sincerely
for your attendance here today.
Your expressions of sympathy and support have been
a great comfort to us at this time.*

2.

*The family wish to express their deep appreciation
and shall always remember your kind and comforting expressions
of sympathy in their recent sad bereavement.*

3.

*The family wish to sincerely thank you for your attendance here today.
Your warm words and support have been a great comfort during this difficult time.*

4.

*Your expressions of sympathy were of great comfort during our time of sorrow.
Your thoughtfulness was deeply appreciated and we thank you most sincerely.*

5.

*Of great comfort during our time of sorrow were the
expressions of sympathy conveyed to us in so many ways.
Your thoughtfulness was deeply appreciated
and we thank you most sincerely.*

6.

*His/Her unconditional love touched all who knew him/her.
Please accept our heartfelt thanks for your cards, floral tributes,
expressions of sympathy and support during our sad loss.*

7.

*We thank you most sincerely for your comforting thoughts
which have been a great support in this time of sorrow.*

8.

*Thefamily of the late.....wish to thank you most sincerely
for your attendance and expressions of love during our sad bereavement.*

9.

*Thank you for celebrating’s life with us today.
Your warm expressions of love and support have been
of great comfort at this sad time.*



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- Select a poem or text you want and include in email or select from the list provided
- Order of Service - Priest or celebrant phone number or email

ORDER OF SERVICE SAMPLE

Opening Song:
Welcome & Introduction
Reading
Eulogy
Tributes
Photo Presentation
Reading
Poem
Committal
Closing Music

If you want particular hymns or Bible readings remember there are often more than one version because of language so include the version you want.

We are happy to provide Priests and clergy with Word Documents for Masses etc for their use.

TYPICAL CLOSING NOTES OF THANKS

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STEPS

1. Is there a quote the person always used?
2. Thank You as above
3. Special support - Medical, family?
4. Refreshments served after?
5. .Where will they be held?



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