The Lord saw in you a heart that was gentle and kind, so He blessed you with His treasures to love and nurture for a time. You raised us in the Lord, knowing that of yourself it would be demanding. You put our feet on the right path and gave us knowledge and understanding.

You thought nothing of yourself, always putting your children first, leading us steadily to the Lord, with a hunger and a thirst. Time passed quickly by, and as you watched us grow, too soon the time had come for you to let us go.

So you gave us back to God, not knowing all we would go through, but you put your trust in Him to finish the work in us He began to do. The time for nurturing has passed, but the loving will never end. It will go on and on, just as it first began.