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When I met Joey she was 15 and I was 17. We were married when she was 19 and I was 21 in 1962. We were married over 46 years. She was 66 when she passed in 2009, about 18 months later I was writing poems.

50

On April 7th we had a small wedding It was a life with you I was getting

50 years ago you became my wife I said I do for the rest of my life

In all our years I never cried I do it now since you died

At night is the loneliness
All the time is the emptiness

I wanted to get a new engagement ring for you Maybe even repeat the words, I do

The guilt I felt because of no goodbye At the same time I also wanted to die

I loved you so many years of my life I will always love you as my wife

I'm still finding things hard to do These were easy things for you

Until again it's you and me Happy 50th anniversary

A Fathers Right

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Many times between my children and I We wouldn't always see eye to eye

They would tell me when I'm wrong Or sometimes I might take to long

They sometimes get mad when I but in I remind them that where all kin

I tell them in my way
I love them every day

It's a fathers right
To love his children with all his might

A Letter To My Wife

A Letter to my Wife, Dear Joey
By Joeysguy
I lived with my mother for part of my life
Then I married and you became my wife

We both repeated the words I do My promise to always love you

With the wedding band and saying I Do My heart and soul I gave to you

On the finger of your left hand You wore a white gold band

I would trade all my future days For just one more chance of our yesterdays

My love now for you feels like so much more I'm sorry I didn't know it before

Looking at your pictures your beautiful face All those loving words that I misplaced

For many years I knew what life was to be Now I don't, since its only me

I'm getting older and have a fear That I may forget for whom I care

Our 51st anniversary is coming soon Look for a note inside the balloon

I loved you then, I love you now, I'll love you tomorrow I write this with tears and sorrow

Till the end of days With Love always

A Marine

A Marine By Joeysguy

This fellow at the age of twenty A Marine he became to be

He was no different than any other Marine He stood proud, he stood tall and he was lean

He vowed
That he would make his family proud

After finishing his training he was hurt An accident left him bleeding, broken, and in the dirt

Was someone watching over him that day People wishing him well with lots of kind words to say

Off to the hospital where doctors put him under the knife He had a few set backs, he's learning new ways of life

He lost the ability as a Marine to go and fight For a new career he has something else in sight

So many people's hearts he had won Everyone is so proud he's far from done

Not much matters when it comes to size He still stands tall in our eyes

I know he has more to give and he's not done I know this, because he's our grandson

We wish him much love From one of us here and one of us from above

A Meals On Wheels Volunteer

We give our time and use our wheels
When we deliver hot and cold meals
Bringing our elderly and disabled a meal to eat
We go to homes on many a street

We do this to show we care
It's a good feeling to volunteer
In the winter months we never know
Sorry when we miss because of snow

This can be our way of thanking you
The elderly, the disabled and shut-ins to
For what we do we receive no pay
Just a thank you would be okay

A Second Chance

A Second Chance

For so many years I had my wife Now it's sadness that fills my life

I miss that time we would caress I miss the touch of tenderness

I talk to my wife every day Love is one of the words I say

I loved to smell my wife's hair I wish I had a lock of it here

Your gone and out of sight
To heaven you will be my shining light

At the end of my life
I will again be with my wife

In heaven again my wife and me A second chance it will be

Alex Graduation

Alex

Graduation day comes every year With joy, happiness and even a tear

You're a tall slender red head As pretty as can be and with that said

Your getting older and you will leave We say goodbye and in you we believe

How proud we all are With schooling and study you will go far

With love in our heart A new venture you will start

Stay safe and be careful being on your own We love and will miss you even if your grown

American Brave

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To our brave for over all the years For you some of us have shed tears.

To you servicemen and women, who served and still serve I say thank you, which you greatly deserve.

You fight to protect our American way You put your life on the line everyday.

You protect the colors of our flag Some of you come home in a body bag.

You protect our flag of stripes and stars Some of you come home with battle scars.

Included are the people of 9/11 who died The volunteers, the relatives and the people cried.

I'm sorry to the families of the brave Their sons and daughters who's life they gave.

We are Americans of this great country Again thanks to all the Military.

Americans

Americans
By Joeysguy

Our founding fathers are probably turning over in their grave From the way our present leaders behave

Our leaders are giving our country away

They upset the American people most everyday

With the new healthcare some people were offered a deal While some Americans can't even pay for their next meal

This administration is giving away our country Foreigners sneak over our borders and could get amnesty

Our leaders seem to favor foreign people Possibly more than the American people

The Government is failing at protecting our border States Hate and uneasy is something this administration creates

Washington is slapping Americans in the face
To file a law suit against an American State is a disgrace

Our Constitution are the laws that govern our nation Our forefathers wrote our Constitution with determination

We are the United States of America and we should never Let any foreign country come between us, not ever

What's happening to this country is a shame This administration is mostly to blame

Our leaders think they know best What they are causing is unrest

And shame on a President of the United States
If to do the right thing he hesitates

Angel Of Mine

Angel of mine

I had written a poem called "Deaths Door" My sleeping problem my wife did endure

From when I lost my spouse It's only the dog and I at the house

Before I go to bed I shut the light Something happened to me one night

I felt a hand on my back waking me Nobody but the dog here with and me

It could have been a night I lost my breath An angel may have kept me from death

That angel must be my wife Still watching over my life

She watched over me when she was alive She must still be helping me to survive

Angels Around Us

Angels Around Us By Joeysguy

My first Angel was small and bright She did glow with her very own light

She stood on the top of our Christmas tree Placed up there by my wife or me

My wife gave birth to our little three Like little Angels they looked to me

Those little Angels they mean so much Just holding them and feeling their touch

I feel an Angel is watching over my life I believe it to be the spirit of my wife

She watches over me when I'm a sleep in bed I have felt her hand on my back or my head

I believe Heavens Angels are always here We may not know when they come near

Some of the Angels come to take us away Because of sickness or age someone might say

When our life comes to an end It's an Angel that Heaven will send

At What Cost

At what cost By Joeysguy

If you are going to a bar Save lives, don't drive your car

At what cost for that drink Before you take it, stop and think

Just a bad choice that you could make That bad choice will put lives at stake

With a life, someone could pay
The loss of life for your drunken day

Don't use your seatbelt on your drunken day Why should you live to walk away

So I ask, at what cost will that drink be Just a few dollars to destroy a family

If you live you will go to jail Tell your kids where to send your mail

Driving drunk the cops will pull you over Hopefully before you kill, so drive sober

P/S, Lets not forget about cell phone texts While driving you could kill and cause wrecks

Bandit

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That first day he took his own room He doesn't want anyone in there Especially to sweep with a broom

From day one he's been housebroken He barks at me like crazy If he were human he would be outspoken

When it comes to rodents he is daring He's gotten slower and other losses One being his hearing

He has lost some of his sight He won't go down the stairs I have to turn on a light

About his nose for him to smell When I take out food It's like I rang a dinner bell

He won't leave me out of his sight He follows me around the house He must be with me day and night

He likes outside in the cold He dislikes summer My dog now at 15 years old

Blue Eyes

Blue Eyes By Joeysguy

I fell for a blonde who had blue eyes
I married that blonde with the blue eyes

Having children was a real joy We had two girls and a boy

I always thought I would be the first to die I didn't think she would leave me to cry

I carry a small vial that has a chain The contents is some of my pain

With the memories of my wife Just a little something from her life

I have a clip on my money
With a picture of who was my honey

In a shirt pocket is my cell phone When opened my wife's picture is shown

I also carry pictures of my wife These show her in a younger life

Now in heaven is that blonde with the blue eyes Which now helps to fill those blue skies

To the blonde with blue eyes I want to say I carry your love with me everyday

Children

Children

I can only write this from a male side As a husband and father with pride

After a man and a woman say the words I do You may be thinking of children to

After your wife gets pregnant thinking of a girl or boy At the end of the term you will have a bundle of joy

Children need love and care so does your wife Whatever the cost from your own life

Take care of your wife, and your children also With a great deal of love and support they will grow

A good way to write your future is in your name Treat them right and good and they will do the same

Children are what we need without children no reason to succeed

Lost money, dropped candy you can replace How do you do wrong and look into your child's face

Do good things treat your family well and be proud Your children will love you and see you glow in a crowd

Children are beautiful and fragile and small With your help and love they will grow strong and tall

You should protect the children from that first day Your children should be loved and should grow up okay

If you're a good father as good as you can be Your children should be as proud of you as they can be

Time can pass by so fast like in the blink of an eye

Before you know it time will pass by

Your children will carry you into the future Your children are your future

Christmas Eve

We would hide presents through the year All around the house every where That night we said, kids it's time for bed Let thoughts of Santa fill your head

I helped wrap gifts with my wife
To put happiness in our kids life
Under the tree went the gifts we had
Some from Santa, some from mom and dad

Christmas eve was such a joy
Putting together a bike or toy
I miss those Christmas eve nights
My wife, little kids and a tree with lights

For me now on December 24 Christmas eve it's not the same anymore

Christmas Lights

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My son lives in Florida with his spouse I was visiting them at their house

On my last day in the warm sunlight He was outside hanging a Christmas light

I walked outside and my eyes started to tear Because my wife is no longer hear

I always disliked hanging Christmas lights Early comes the winter days and nights

My wife would always give me directions On how to hang the decorations

I now miss hearing my wife say No don't do it that way

I didn't always take her advice To hear her now would really be nice

Christmas Past

Christmas past

We always had a Christmas tree My wife would decorate it without me

So many gifts by the tree No empty space could you see

Our little ones would crawl all around They would try climbing the gift mound

Year after year on Christmas morning Kids tearing open gifts and I'm yawning

The kids woke early on Christmas day We told the kids your older so go away

With the years going by We could sleep longer my wife and I

Now since its just me No more do I need a Christmas tree

My kids now grown and they see What its like to do the Christmas tree

Closed Eyes

Closed Eyes By Joeysguy

I close my eyes when I sleep I open them in my dreams Sleep for me is never deep

We close our eyes when we kiss We open them with joy And feel the bliss

We close our eyes when we die We open them to see the way Somebody will close their eyes to cry

Could-A, Would-A, Should-A

Could-a, Would-a, Should-a By joeysguy

These are words that some people would say
These are words in someone's thoughts everyday

Could-a, Would-a, Should-a in someone's mind These are words that can be very unkind

Especially if we lose a loved one from our life
These words were unkind to me when I lost my wife

I have asked myself, was there more I could-a done Was there anything more I should-a done

These are words that can tear us apart Letting them into our mind and heart

Thinking of arguments, I should-a gave in Why did I always try to win

At that last moment I should-a held her so very tight So that the Angels would-a had a tough fight

People say there was nothing I could-a done It's what my wife should-a done

Cycle Of My Life

The Cycle of My Life

The Cycle of my Life
January fifth was the month I lost my wife

February brings Valentines Day A gift with love I did say.

April seventh is our Anniversary
The month and day she married me.

April brings Easter Sunday May brings Mother's Day.

October thirty first is Halloween When kids would dress in costumes to be seen.

November brings Thanksgiving and is the fourth Thursday December eighteen is my wife's birthday.

December twenty fifth is Christmas Day It was my wife's favorite holiday.

January first is New Years

Just another day of maybe no tears.

It starts all over again my cycle of life Over and over again the pain without my wife.

Dance On A Cloud

My wife and I met in the city of New York With touching of hands a kiss and some talk After years of marriage and children she died With no goodbyes I broke down and cried

Our wedding bands are no longer apart Joined together they hang near my heart My wife in heaven waits for me I don't know how long it will be

For as long as I'm earthly bound
I hope my wife's spirit is around
Looking at the white clouds up above
I think of my wife who I love

Clouds look like spirits in the sky Raindrops could be spirits that cry To continue with romance To hold her, love her and dance

To dance on a cloud in the sky It's now my dream for my wife and I

Days End

Days End By Joeysguy

Tomorrow will become a today Today will become a yesterday

It feels like it was just a yesterday Since my wife passed away

With my wife I had much more yesterday I lost my wife, now I have less today

That day I also should have passed away One of my today's will be my last day

Every tomorrow brings me closer to an end of my life With another day that goes by, I'll be with my wife

Deaths Door

Deaths Door

Every night I go to bed, I could have one last thought in my head.

I have sleep apnea where I can lose my breath, One night it could be the cause of my death.

There was a time my wife would hear my gasping for air, My wife would roll me over or wake me out of fear.

Now alone without my wife, Any night could be an end to my life.

I'm not afraid if I should die, We will be together again my wife and I.

No one to hear me gasp or hear me snore, No one here to keep me from deaths door.

Don't Cry For Me

Don't Cry For Me

When the day comes and I die Don't be sad, don't cry

I would say I had a good life With children, grandchildren and a beautiful wife

At the end of this life
I'll be back with my wife

All you kids I will miss From you I'll give mom a big kiss

Don't cry, don't grieve
I'll be with your mother after I leave

Empty Places

Empty Places By Joeysguy

For many years I lived in a full house Between kids, dogs, and my spouse

My wife and dogs are now gone My kids have all moved on

I didn't think I would ever lose my wife Never thought about emptiness in my life

In the closets are empty hangers that I see They can bring out the sadness that's in me

Those hangers held the clothes of my wife The clothes given away, now in someone else's life

In restaurants I wait to be seated Then the number one is repeated

In the seats across from me Is the empty space that I see

One empty side of the bed
The pillow still there that held her head

The smallest thing with the largest space It's my heart the most empty place

Fathers

Fathers

When you meet your girl and fall in love It is do to cupid's arrow shot from above

Your future should be in steps in life
You have fallen in love and asked her to be your wife

Your wife looks so pretty and it was a great marriage When you have a child be proud when you're pushing the carriage

As a man to make a child is easy

To turn your back and walk away is no less than sleazy

What a wonderful feeling it is in life Being a good father and to love your wife

It is a great feeling when a child calls you daddy
It is heart breaking when a child asks do I have a daddy

It is hard enough on a child when a father dies It is worse when the child has to grow up on lies

A father should do all he can for his family Earn respect and love and to be the best he could be

Be a good man love your kids and love your wife These are the best ingredients to make a good life

Fear No More

Fear no more

I always thought of the day I would die To say that I wasn't afraid would be a lie

Since my wife is gone who I love and adore So now to die I fear no more

Filled Heart

Filled Heart

It's coming up on two years My eyes still fill with tears

I keep thinking back at my life Did I do all I could for my wife

When I met my future wife it was a new start I found someone that filled my heart

My wife never asked for much I loved her more with every touch

When I would touch her face It was soft and delicate like a fine lace

When she passed, my heart was torn out Sometimes I cry and I might even shout

At night when I go to bed Thoughts of my wife fill my head

I would like to see a sign
That her love will forever be mine

How many times I've said I miss you I wish I could again say the words I do

I love to dream of my wife That's the way I relive my life

I say to my wife if reincarnation is true Go slow my love so I can catch up to you

Forever

Forever

My mind knows how long my wife's been away In my heart it feels like just a day

The meaning of closure to me
Is closing the door behind my wife and me

At night when I go to bed I have thoughts in my head

If after I turn off the light I should pass during the night

If I should pass during the day The same words I would say

I wish it's my wife that I see Looking at me

I'll be happy and calm When she takes me by the arm

We'll go off together
This time it will be forever

Friends

Friends

When we come to a meeting
We are welcomed with a warm greeting

We come together because of a loss and pain At our meetings, always something to gain

We try to help a friend With hope and talks right to the end

This is a place you may see tears We all have those fears

Where here to help our heart and our mind All the people here are so kind

We talk about our loves, the good and bad Sometimes we may get very sad

We listen to what someone would say Someone may cry and that's okay

One of our own had started a group, BSG Bereavement Social Group come and see

Life is to live and then we die It's those in betweens that can make us cry

From My Wife

From My Wife By Joeysguy

Many times I have said It's my wife who puts the poems in my head

So I believe these words are from my wife She is telling me something of our next life

Our golden years had never started Since years ago when she departed

Up here we will have our golden years Together again without any tears

When the flame moves on the cande you light It's her waving to me at night

Those strange sounds that I hear It's my wife that she's near

When I'm playing an old song
I try to listen if she's singing along

She see's the tears coming from my eyes Wishing I would stop and dry my eyes

Getting Old

Getting old

When I was young I never thought about getting old The years have past and I still hate the cold

When I was young I didn't ever think My life could pass by in just a blink

Now I'm one of the old men It's a big change from way back when

Some days it can be hard to get dressed It's a little easier to get undressed

It can be hard to put on shoes
I also need to turn up the sound to hear the news

Driving can be hard for some of us We give up the car and take the bus

What may be hardest is to go to bed with a friend Hoping to make it to the end

Gift Of Light

Gift of Light

All the years with my wife She was a light in my life

Driving home and around a bend She was my light at journeys end

Some things I did start Giving her something from my heart

During the day and into the night I burn a candle to her, it's a gift of light

God For A Day

God for a day

If I could be God for just a day To do things my way

I would eliminate disease from the earth So children would not be sick at birth

When children are healthy Parents feel wealthy

Children should have protection Also learn the right direction

Women have inner beauty and love They need attention from above

I would also save the past So some memories and things could last

I probably won't be God for a day
But I wish these would come true anyway

Going Home

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I've heard it said that heaven is home Is it true, is heaven considered home

If heaven is home I'll be there one day When will that day be I can't really say

Lots of people there I will see Only a few are waiting for me

I've had many dogs with me here I guess I will see them up there

My mother is waiting and also my wife I'll be going home at the end of this life

Guilt

Guilt By Joeysguy

That day when my wife passed out on the floor I didn't know the feelings I would endure My wife laying unconscious, not a moan I called for help yelling on the phone I feel guilt that I may have failed my wife I probably could have done more in her life When I gave her clothing away That was a hard and painful day Over 46 years of wearing my wedding band It was so hard to remove it from my hand Both rings together on the same chain Hanging from my neck doesn't ease the pain The rings were a symbol of love and a married life Now the finger shows no visible marks of a marriage to my wife I fear the loss of memory someday Keeping my wife's memory is something I pray All the years of the life we built Now in my thoughts I feel some guilt I'll always feel guilt of that last day Could I have done more, I can't say The pain and guilt that I feel That is something that will never heal Every night I lay in bed I face the pillow that use to hold my wife's head All my days and the tomorrows They all end with sorrows I wish my wife would stop watching over me And just let my sleep disorder take me

Happy Anniversary

To My Joey Happy Anniversary

On April 7th these words were said do I take this woman to be my wife I said yes for the rest of my life

There was a time when our love was lost awhile You gave me a daughter I gave you a smile

Some years went by and now our family totals to five We can see and feel our love thrive

Our marriage has not always been the best But I like to think it's a love nest

The past years were difficult and have not been good But the next hundred years will be better as they should

With all the love I have for you A good life I must, I have too

I have not forget our little three Before they leave I hope better things they will see

Patience understanding and love I need To make all my dreams succeed

My love for you is honest and true Is it the same with you too

Joey my love and Joey my wife For all our years you were and are my life

In a hundred years when we depart In heaven another love we will start

My love for you is plain to see Your my love happy anniversary

Happy Birthday Joey

Happy Birthday Joey

I hope this will get to my wife Your gone but never from my life

A birthday poem to you my dear I wish you will always be near

Just a few words I want to say
I love you so much only everyday

I will send you a message on a balloon Watch for it, look towards the moon

One day you will come for me Until then happy birthday Joey

Happy Valentine's Day

February fourteen twenty eleven
To my wife who's in heaven
Saying I love you which you already know
A few other ways that I can show

I will be sending a message balloon your way Love and kisses are a few words to say I will light a candle for you dear Another way to show you I still care

You do know how much you are missed You were the first love I kissed I miss you my love so very much In my dreams I hope to feel your touch

Signed with love from me Happy Valentine's Day Joey

Having A Wife

Having a Wife

What does it mean to have a wife For me it was someone to share my life

Someone to love and protect everyday

To love and cherish in everyway

To have loved in the life we did share To love so much and so much to care

In my heart to feel her touch Having children and grandchildren to love so much

You will always be in my life
Till the end of time you are my wife

Healing Circle

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First thing is an explanation We do a short meditation.

We all come together and gather around We join hands so we are bound.

While we all sit in a chair Words are said of a short prayer.

In the center is a candle with a little light The room is darkened with little sight.

With our hands in our laps and a light music sound We have our feet flat on the ground.

A practitioner talks of healing for us and family Also friends, strangers and people we may never see.

The laying on of hands may help with pain and stress

Maybe other problems such as loneliness.

It can help in many ways maybe clarification of mind Everybody here goes out of their way to be kind.

Afterward is a brief discussion about the session We will discuss what ever you mention.

Heart

Heart

I sit at my computer staring at the screen Looking back at me is this beautiful slender blonde with blue eyes

It's the woman I was married to for so many years
For all our years her hands were up and between them she held my heart

Her hands are now empty and down at her side Now that my heart is back inside it feels pain

Heavens Gate

Heavens Gate

All through life we may move slow Not like watching the grass grow

At times were in a hurry We don't stop or slowdown to worry

When we get older we do slowdown Our skin may wrinkle and look like a frown

The only time were never late When were going up to heavens gate

Hey Girl

Girl

Why let yourself get pregnant and put a hold on your life Why not wait till your older and become a wife.

Life could be better for you if you stay in school Listen to your parents and follow their rule.

Life could pass you by if you become a young mother You may lose your friends to another.

Why let a guy change the future or your life He may just leave you to go enjoy his life.

When the time comes and your baby is due. Will that baby's daddy be there for you.

Will he support you and your child Will he go to another girl and child.

Being married, misses would be your proper title Baby's mama is what kind of title.

Being called a baby's mama in your life Better sounding words are a mother and a wife.

Having a husband you could have a better life Think of your future as husband and wife.

Honor My Wife

Joey Honor My Wife

For so many years she was my wife Now she is just a memory in my life

Everyday that goes by I find it hard to keep a dry eye

I was born to love my kids and my wife Which I will for the rest of my life

I realize some of my poems are sad That's how it is losing someone you love so bad

All I have now are my memories of joy
Dreaming back to the days of my wife my daughters and my boy

Everyday is about the same for me I eat I sulk I sit and watch TV

I have my first tattoo on my arm honoring my wife With all the years she was in my life

I wear her name as proud as can be Wishing she was still hear with me

My wife was my children's mother There will never be another

My love for my wife was my first my only and my past As far as I'm concerned she will be my last

I remember back to that first night when I drank some wine Once we kissed I felt in my heart she would be mine

How Young We Were

How Young We Were

My wife's final day she lost the bout At the hospital I collapsed my legs gave out

They took me into the emergency Nothing wrong they said with me

They couldn't see my heartache They couldn't feel my heartbreak

At night when I go to bed I twist and turn with thoughts in my head

Some nights to sleep is hard for me Thinking of my wife I wish I could see

On my neck is my wife's wedding band I clutch it tightly in my hand

My body is tired and with some pain Why do I go on what's to gain

I wish I new the end to my life
I miss so much not being with my wife

I look at pictures how young we were That's how I wish to be again with her

Joey And Children

To My Joey and Children

I have made many mistakes in my life Except the day I took a wife

From that came the pitter patter of six little feet That truly made my life complete

The days I hate are your birthdays I believe Because you get older and so you will leave

I wish time would stop on Christmas day So you would stay small to play and play

Before the day comes when you say goodbye I hope that everything you want I could buy

As far as things for my wife No hurry we have all of our life

The one thing I have plenty of Is my wife and children I truly love

Love is the only thing I want from you Forever and ever you will love me true

As a husband and father I'm not the best But how do I compare to all the rest

If anything should ever break us up I think I would shatter like a cup

You all have a piece of my heart Please, please do not tear it apart

I do not know what else to say Except god protect my family everyday

Joey's Guy

Joey's guy

In 1962 my girlfriend changed my life When she said I do and became my wife

My girlfriend taught me how to kiss From girlfriend to wife to someone I terribly miss

We were married and brought together I wanted us to be as one forever

We had two daughters and a son After three children we were done

At times we use to take the kids to the park It was something we didn't do after dark

My wife passed without a goodbye And to this day I could still cry

I look at pictures of my wife That's all I will have for the rest of my life

I can remember kissing her hand Now on a neck chain I kiss her wedding band

She raised her family with love Now my wife is in heaven above

At times my poems make me cry They help me to be Joey's guy

Keep Them Safe

Keep Them Safe

I was born in New York City It wasn't safe nor was it pretty

That's where I spent my young adult life I realized it wasn't safe for my children or my wife

There was always that threat of danger I didn't want my family victimized by a stranger

I packed them up and sent them to a New Jersey town We bought a house on a street that part of the name is brown

Life went well and my kids are now grown All my kids now have a family and house of their own

Keno Baby

Keno Baby

My wife and I liked to play keno
Just about every weekend we would go

She was pregnant and due any day Over an hour's ride each way

Other players would say Your going to give birth today

We got home and went to bed It's that time my wife had said

Her water broke on the floor Our first was born in nineteen sixty four

It was almost a maybe That we had a keno baby

Levels Of Pain

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Pain at a level of one It's mild and almost none

Some pain levels can match Like a splinter and a scratch

A fall or a broken bone Can make a person yell or moan

If you gain some weight That can be a painful state

Even at the level of a ten
Pain differs between women and men

The death of a love has tears
That's the worst and can last many years

Life's Unfair

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A husband and wife grow old together You think and hope it will last forever

When you hear of children getting hurt You hope it's only a little fall in the dirt

So many accidents happen because of a drunk driver Why is the drunk the only survivor

Parents hurt the children they love Men hurt the women they should love

Some rich and famous do wrong and get a pass Up and up goes the price for gas

The elderly get mugged and beat Some people are hurt and left lying in the street

Women and children are molested Children that are not protected

Men that are considered a deadbeat People that are forced to live on the street

Children that are terribly ill Parents can't pay the bill

So much more of life is unfair Lots of people that don't care

Little Dog

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This last Mothers day
My wife's little dog passed away

Holly was my wife's little love Both now are in the heaven above

Holly did not like the cold Poor Holly only ten years old

I miss my wife so much
I also miss that little dog's touch

I just had to adopt a little dog for me This little dog named Maggie

Love List

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This is my love list Joey was my wife She is gone and very much missed

My daughter Barbara was our first one Then came my son James My daughter Patricia the third one

Grandchildren are Megan and Alexandra Boys are Nickolas and Connor Back to girls Jacquelyn and Samantha

My kids in law I almost missed Robert, Christopher and Suzanna And my dog finished the list

Making Wishes

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I take a penny and toss it in the well Then make a wish and I can't tell

If I see a shooting star in the sky I make a wish for my wife and I

If I have chicken with a wishbone This would be for two, I live alone

No more candles on a birthday cake No more wishes can I make

Making wishes that my wife could be Together again with me

Marriage

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Why should a man marry Not only your name will she carry

What about the love she has for you You must have feelings for her to

You can really make her heart sing Ask her to marry you and give her a ring

It has to make you feel good that she will be in your heart When she says yes and a new family you will start

You set the date then comes that day Now that day is here and the words I do you both say

Now that she has your last name Your wife and your kids will share something the same

Some days will probably go by You will argue and you will make her cry

Stop to think don't let bad words tear your love apart It may just take a few kind words and kiss for a new start

In years to come you will feel good
The way a father and husband should

You will be proud your last name will carry on Your kids will be grown, get married and move on

Your kids will still call you dad
That's a great feeling a great family is never bad

Don't let things and time go by to fast Try to make everything and every minute last

Message In Flight

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A fellow from my group had told me It was something that touched me

He told me about something for his wife About releasing a balloon honoring her life

I thought I would do it for my wife Write messages how she's missed from my life

I love you Joey I wrote on the balloon
I kissed it and let it go up towards the moon

It went up and up into the sky I did my best not to cry

I watched it take flight
I watched it go out of sight

The balloon went up to my wife
I will be with her at the end of my life

Up above my wife waits
Till I get to heavens gates

Message To God

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Something I would like to ask For you this would be a small task

My wife is in heaven with you That's something you already knew

Years ago when I met my wife She's been the everything in my life

And now that where apart

I wish to say something from my heart

Would you let her know That we all miss her so

Would you give her all my love Till you take me up above

Message To Mom

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Hi mom listen to what I have to say I will be sending something your way

Keep a look out for a balloon A message I will send soon

Your favorite color was blue That's the color I will send to you

You've been gone just a few years When you passed I had tears

We love and miss you your daughter and I It's not easy for a mother to die

Moments In Time

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For more than half of my life I was married to my darling wife

Truly my first love was she I hope she still loves me

I loved and protected my wife So much I would give my life

Some special moments we did share It's the time and emptiness now I fear

Right from the start
I was hers she owned my heart

In my daughters I can see my wife But it doesn't fill the void in my life

The painful days of December will be here Her birthday and Christmas they share

January was the month she passed How long will this pain last

My Blue Eyed Blonde

Joey My Blue Eyed Blonde

I'm just a man with a broken heart trying to show love To the woman who I lost and is now in the heaven above I think back when we met we shared a kiss Now the days go by I think of my wife who I terribly miss

Life seems so very unfair
I was older but it's my wife who is not here
All the years we were married I gave her all that I could
I gave her all my love and my heart the way a husband should

When special days and some holidays come near
It hurts more on these days that my wife and I no longer share
I wish I could remember everything from my past
I would burn my wife in my mind so it all would last

Over and over as the days go by
I try to get by with out a cry
Joey was my wife and now she is gone
I am finding my days so very hard to move on

On our wedding day some words I had said
I promised to always love her and with this ring I thee wed
We have two girls Barbara and Patricia are their names
Also their is our son his name is James

My wife was a tall and slender blonde with blue eyes She loved me and I guess she was very wise

My Memories

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I was thinking of buying a new house So I'm here with my son and his spouse

Sitting outback looking up to the sky Hoping to see something go bye

Wishing for a sign to see Something from my wife to me

To move into an empty and cold house
I would leave behind memories of my spouse

I don't want to leave those memories behind More memories in the house then in my mind

When my kids were small They would play and mark up a wall

I see memories on every wall Where my wife painted over marks from a ball

A memory in every room Some good some with a little gloom

It's something that will always be Even the gloom is a memory to me

My Old Boy

I've written about a little dog that I had But little Maggie was really bad I had to return her, she was to much for me All over the house she would poop and pee

So again it was just my old Bandit and me His health getting worse even just to see After I lost my wife He helped me go on with my life

Then I had to face that tearful day
To put him down was so hard to say
I still look for him in his usual place
The rooms are empty I don't see his face

More pain and more tears
It hasn't stopped these past years
He gave me loyalty and love
Now he's also in heaven above

My Wife My Prize

MY WIFE MY PRIZE

I asked my girl to be my wife To be mine the rest of our life

Her father gave away the bride Her mother was happy but cried

I took the oath of marriage that day To love her in every way

On our wedding day I said I do Forever I want to be with you

Not many men love the same wife I did for more than half our life

For over 50 years we were together She's gone but I'll be her guy forever

Looking at my wife and into her eyes What I see is my wife my prize

With all the love I had for my wife
It hurts that she was taken out of my life

I have to believe in an afterlife A place where I can rejoin my wife

I want to believe so much
To again see and feel her touch

Our Christmas Tree

After we were married and Christmas would come near We would go buy a tree and my wife would dress it with care All through the holidays it stood straight and tall After the holidays I would drag it out through the hall

I would drag it through the hall and down the stairs Balls and lights breaking all the way, but who cares My wife would ask, are you crazy I would say no this way was easy and I was just lazy

Year after year buying a new tree, new lights and balls
End of the season and there I go dragging the tree through the halls
When we moved to our own home we had a tree for Christmas day
End of the season I opened the door and out went the tree the same old way

My wife and daughters said I was crazy and no more No more will a tree go out the door The next year there was a fake tree on Christmas day After the season they told me to keep away

The family would say how crazy and about the extra money My only thought that it was funny So every Christmas stands a fake tree No more trees out the door by me

Our First Pregnancy

Joey Our First Pregnancy

When we were young and before she was my wife I didn't know she was going to be the love of my life I miss those special times that we had I miss all the times so very bad

I don't know where I found a talent to write poems late in my life
It must come from the woman I loved who was my wife
Over the years we have had arguments and called each other names
Like little kids playing silly games

In a picture of my wife the sun shines in her hair and makes it glow To me she looks like my loving angel with a halo Thinking back on our first pregnancy That was hard for my wife and me

Some times she had morning sickness
At times she had made a mess
In that nine month period of time
She had fallen for the third time

My heart was divided in quarters
My wife my son and my two daughters
I think my heart will become whole
That day that my wife takes my soul

Peter Pan Envy

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I envy Peter Pan He never get's old as a man

He can fly back and forth to never-never land To his lost boys a merry band

If I had Tinkerbelle's fairy dust and could fly I would go up and up into the sky

I would fly up to my wife who's in heaven And take her back to nineteen fifty-seven

The fifties were a great time in life It was when I met my future wife

Play Ball (Softball)

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My daughters use to play softball I wish I could have been to them all

Since my daughters don't play anymore I don't have a team to cheer for

I do watch some games on the TV The girls have lots of great energy

When the girls are in the dugout You can hear them cheer and shout

You can hear them chant and scream
To win a world series starts as a dream

For one team to lose comes sorrow And they may not have a game tomorrow

I've seen many girls being sad
I can't recall any of them getting mad

Lots of girls playing softball Good luck to them all

Please

What the word please means to me It's a word I hardly ever use It's a word that weakens me

To me I feel the word relates to beg I don't know which would be harder To say please or eat a raw egg

I used the word very few times in my life I used it more times in one day when I asked to please save my wife

Precious Things

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Finding out a father I was to become My love, my wife to become a mom

In time being a father of three They would be precious things to me

As a father I gave it my best Protecting them in our little nest

Now my little three are all grown They have precious things of their own

The most precious things in life Your family, your children, your wife

Prints Of Love

Prints of Love By (Joeysguy) Michael A Gelb

Loving someone from the start Leaves an imprint in your heart

That imprint of someone you love
In your mind of someone who's now up above

Maybe something that they left behind Brings back memories in your mind

That someone who passed and left a mark An imprint we can even see in the dark

Maybe just something we found It might just be a foot print on the ground

The memories of time that has passed by It might make you tear up and even cry

Just a hand print on a wall

Might be a thought that you recall

From your memories of a time you knew They always have meaning to you

Looking at a picture of your love and you Leaving an imprint of that day you said I do

Could some imprints be from above As a kiss to someone they love

Promises, Promises

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A promise with saying I do Back in the year nineteen sixty two

A promise of love to my wife She is my love for all my life

A promise to love her forever Will I love again, I think never

Remembering Joey

I think I loved her from that first day we kissed Now I try remembering all the things I had missed One day I said to my wife you know you're hot Her response back to me was, no, no I'm not

I said yes you are, I know because you're my wife
I love you darling more than life
I guess we were lucky when she realized I was the right guy
She must have seen something when she looked in my eye

Many times the kids had us challenge each other
I was always proud she was my kid's mother
Money or material items are things you can replace
Not time, I could have done more when we were face to face

My kids will have the poems of my wife They will remember she was my life I remember a few things from the 50's Then came marriage and children in the 60's

Some funny and cute things my Joey use to do
They might not have been the same to you
She would hold on to the phone booth and dance
I would focus on her like being in a trance

I can't change the passed it's left back in life I can only think and dream back of my wife I always had an addiction for my wife I will be hooked to her the rest of my life

Maybe writing my poems, I won't forget so much I'll read them and hope to feel my wife's touch Some people ask about my poems, the how and why Because I hope my wife will be remembered even after I.....

Rhyming Words

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Anyone ever notice how some words rhyme Like if you can't do the time don't do the crime

Why do some words rhyme so well I wouldn't mind if some poems could sell

A man and woman could talk marriage And one day they may push a carriage

After being married and have a spouse It's a shame when some become a louse

If you want a good life
Be kind and nice to your wife

And about the one you call honey Him or her may relate to money

If you do get a divorce You may realize your loss

When we get old we will die And probably someone will cry

In some cases some have died
In the same case some have survived

We might feel some kind of relief Someone dies and we may feel grief

We donate to help someone to live Most of us feel good after we give

Same Tour

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The worst thing of my life
Is grieving over the loss of my wife

Our lives maybe set in stone But our future is unknown

Were born, we live and then we die Our loves are left behind to cry

We suffer and we grieve With different feelings I believe

We grieve in our own way
Some of us may cry day after day

Many days are full of sorrow We always hope it will be better tomorrow

Life is a revolving door

Around and around we take the same tour

Scars Of The Heart

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At times it seems like no relief We can suffer long with our grief

Will the heart ever mend Will the pain ever end

The tears come from my eyes But it's my heart that cries

People ask how am I
They would know if they see me cry

From when my wife passed
I have scars of the heart that will last

My heart may heal after time goes by The scars of my heart will be till I die

Sorry

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Sorry for the arguments we've had Especially those that were bad

Sorry for things asked of me When you did something I couldn't see

Sorry that I always seem mad Losing my wife I'm angry and sad

Sorry I may hear things in the wrong way And how something wrong I might say

Sorry to know my children are grown Because I have to let them be on their own

Space For Me

Joey Space For Me

I loved my wife and I still do with all my heart Now that she is gone in my chest is missing a big part

My wife would get upset with me because at her I would stare I would say to her because I love you and that shows how I care

Over the years she was my wife, my friend and my lover It is so hard now and I will never love for another

When I lost my wife I lost so much
No more kisses no more holding hands no more will we touch

My wife is up in heaven above
I hope she can still feel all my love

When I see people kissing on TV I see them as my wife and me

Without my wife my heart aches and I feel it burn I kiss her pictures her poem and also her urn

In the urn are her ashes and also space for me When I pass together again we will be

Everything I did was for my wife She was one of the best things in my life

We had a place we liked to go to eat Now when I go I only need one seat

Thank You

Thank You

I write my poems but I'm not a poet I don't understand poems and I know it

Here I am reading and trying to understand This is hard for me, it's much a demand

Most all my poems come from my heart The poems are with love and stand apart

I post my poems for people to see
I know your comments are to help me

My past poems are fact and true
I appreciate your help and thank you

That Girl

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That girl I loved from the start She took over my heart

That girl was my lover She was also my kids mother

That girl was my best friend Right to the very end

That girl I love and adore She is not here anymore

That girl was my wife And will be for the rest of my life

Time In A Bottle

If it were only possible to have bottled the past To seal it so that time could last

My past had many good years A family life I had no tears

And now to open that bottle in this part of my life Instead of tears have more time with my wife

Times Change

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I was born in the year 1940 Growing up I was a little naughty

I was a little scared To really be bad

We started to see many strangers People reacted to different dangers

My mother and her friends stopped the late night talks People were being more careful during walks

My mother and friends started locking doors We seen protective gates going up on the local stores

My family and I lived in New York City Things became worse and not to pretty

Garbage thrown in the yard and the street By people that were not clean or neat

Women could not walk by men without words Men would make sounds like chirping birds

After a few years of worry for my kids and wife We moved from the city and started a new life

Touch No More

To My Wife Touch No More

When I was young at age seventeen
I met my future wife who was nearly sixteen

When I was age twenty one wild and free I ask my love if she would marry me

Not thinking how fast time passes by We got older and older my wife and I

Thinking back I did not know How much my love for my wife would grow

On January fifth two thousand and nine I lost my wife I thought would always be mine

You find out how time flies When someone you love dies

We were together fifty plus years Now my eyes are filled with tears

In a poem written by my wife Something she had written early in life

She wrote, in her dreams our lips have met You wait honey I will hook you yet

When I sit and look at pictures of my wife How pretty she was and how short was her life

It is over a year that my wife is gone People say I must move on

My children are all now grown They have children of their own

I loved my wife so very much

And now I will no longer feel her touch

Treasure Of Man

Every man has the chance To find love and romance Having a family with your wife That's a treasure of a man's life

Mine had blue eyes and blonde hair
A beautiful face with a smile to share
The three children we had
Made me proud to be a husband and a dad

Every man's treasure is in front of his face Make a good life at a slow pace I take a deep breath and let out a sigh To think how lucky was I

Trigger

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What is the meaning for the word trigger To me the meaning is some what bigger

Many things I could share It's a meaning that can bring on a tear

To some of us it could be a word For some it might be a bird

Maybe a dog or a cat Or maybe just a place we are at

Something that reminds me of my wife I may cry or be mad or just hate my life

Unfinished Life

Unfinished life

Joey was the girl that I married For the years my name she carried

We made a family my wife and I When she passed I did cry

What will be with the rest of my life Someday again to be with my wife

I would like to say to my wife thank you Also again to say I do

I wish she was here to see What our grandchildren will grow to be

From a young girl to a woman to my wife She's gone and left an unfinished life

Weakness

Joey Weakness

I wish I had the power to turn back time
I would go back to the day when my wife became mine
If I could have a wish, just one
I would go back in time when I was married my age was twenty-one

If I had the chance to relive my life
I would do it again with my same wife
In a pocket next to my heart are pictures of my wife
I will probably carry them for the rest of my life

My girl and I were young when me first met in life She grew up to be a woman and became my wife On that day we married she had a sparkle in her eye No one could be happier than I

We were standing there and she looked so pretty
I felt as if I won first prize in a lottery
I have become more sensitive in these last years
A movie a song even a thought can bring on tears

I miss that weakness and love that was in my wife Now it's my weakness trying to go on with my life On that last day I had no time to tell her I love her, or to say good bye I do find a lot of time for me to cry

When your married a long time you don't realize the little you know in your life I found out how much when I lost my wife

On mother's day my wife's dog had died
She was a family member and I cried
My wife is my past, my children my present
I lost my future when I lost my wife
Not a day goes by that I don't miss her in my life

I feel that I m honoring my wife

Writing poems about some of her life

Wedding Band

Joey Wedding Band

JoAnn was the birth name of my wife
To me Joey was her name for a lot of our married life
One of the best things anyone could ask for in life
Is to have a good and loving wife

When it comes time for me to pass no matter day or night I hope and pray that my wife will be my guiding light I did not complement my wife as much as I could of But with all my heart I gave her my love

My wife is in heaven watching over our family Hoping we could be the best we could be I am now living by myself and on my own I have my dogs and my family but I feel alone

I never thought I knew how bad pain could ever be
Until my wife died and left me
At times my wife lets me know she is near
She turns off the picture frame to let me know she is here

On a chain around my neck I wear my wife's wedding band I also still wear mine on the finger of my left hand To anyone who reads this poem do not let the time with your family go Everything is gone before you know

Wedding Bands

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I placed a ring on her left hand A plain white gold wedding band With all my love this ring is from me I also wore a ring for people to see

Today the rings have become something more They also tie us together for evermore Mine is still on my left hand From my neck hangs her wedding band

I feel her in my heart and in my life I still think of her as my wife

Why

Why By (Joeysguy)

How would it be talking to God Getting a response might be odd

I would ask, since you are the higher good Why can't you protect people as you could

Children are so innocent and pure Some sick with a disease, why can't we get a cure

Some of the evil that men do They yell and scream in the name of you

When any terror comes out of the night They want to hurt, kill or just fight

Some only care about their belief They care nothing about loss or grief

Why can't you strike out the terror in ones mind Before they can hurt the innocent, the kind

We lose loved ones to sickness or an end to their time Why can't you stop any terror before the crime

Why I Go To Bereavement Groups

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I had a loss in my life
I lost a mother and also a wife

It hurts so badly when people die and they are gone
I was told a bereavement group might help me to move on

We sit and we talk about our lost love How we miss them and we know they're in the heavens above

We all can come together because of the pain we all share We can relate to each other with passion and how much we care

Talking about the past, which now is a memory in our life Were not sure of our future that will be for the rest of our life

We now have large changes in our life Someone may have lost a parent, a child, a sibling, a husband or a wife

It's our group that knows our loss and our pain At times our friends or family might think were not sane

Someone may say something that would bring us to smile That's something that happens every once in a while

We try to get by the sorrow

If not today then maybe tomorrow

Maybe after time and lots of tears

Just maybe we might find another love that cares

Why I Volunteer At Meals On Wheels

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Why I volunteer at Meals on Wheels, I do it to help people receive meals.

I had to get a photo id This is for the people's safety

At first I thought of it as just something to do After that first day I realized that wasn't true

I deliver a meal to the elderly and I do it with care Some of the elderly may be in a wheelchair

The hot food is carried in a hot insulated bag
The cold food is carried in a cold insulated bag

It's a good feeling to volunteer
The people appreciate that we care

I knock at the door and yell hello I also check on them before I go

A stranger had said to me, thank you She was thanking me for what I do

It's a good feeling to volunteer
This is something we Americans do to show we care

Wife And My Mother

To My Joey And My Mother

Mothers are a gift from the heavens above All through life they share their love

Mothers are the greatest creation
They are what they are and need no explanation

From that first day starts a new life of love and joy They do anything to protect their baby girl or boy

They walk around as proud as can be They want to shout look I have a life inside me

Bigger and bigger she gets as time goes by Some suffer from pain and they cry

There love is so strong that they can bear the pain They suffer and pray that it all was not in vain

The greatest day on earth has come With some pain and pushing you are now a mom

You have suffered a lot and sometimes cried But now it is over and with a baby at your side

Now the easy part is over and your baby is here to stay You become a doctor a lawyer different people everyday

You protect and raise them through the years With love joy and even some tears

Now their grown and its time for them to leave You think back over the years while you grieve

Even thou they are gone and hardly call you They may not write but they do love you

Mothers belong on a pedestal with the word rare

From the first day till the last they always care

Mothers are and will always be The greatest any world will ever see

When it is her time to go to heavens place She is sent back to earth wearing a new face

Over and over a mother they be To give love to their new baby

Back and forth from heaven to earth With love and joy and giving birth

Mothers are not one of a kind They are all the same with love in mind

With love in there heart from heaven they come Before you move on let me say I love you mom

Words Of Love

From heaven I wish my wife could see The words of love that come from me Out of my heart and into my head Come the words I wish I had said

From my lips to my wife's ears
Hear the words that bring my tears
Joey I will never forget
That day and how we met

You and I started as two
I look forward to again be with you
I don't know how or when it will be
Together again just my darling and me

Yes It's Love

Yes It's Love By Michael A Gelb (Joeysguy)

When you can't take your eyes off of someone Did their face glow like the sun

On the first time that your hands did touch Did your body tingle and you felt that inner rush

After that first time that you kissed
That separation, that feeling of something missed

That special someone is always in your mind You don't want to leave them far behind

Every time that person is around Do you feel your heart pound

Your heart races so very fast It's a feeling that you want to last

For that person you want to do so much To keep close and always in touch

The time comes to let them go You release them ever so slow

You tried to protect them from any harm They die and slip away from your arm

You want to be with them in that other life
This could have been your husband or your wife

With that person now in the heaven above Your feelings still, yes it's love