



Verses & Epitaphs



POPULAR VERSES & EPITAPHS

Friendship

The glory of friendship is not the outstretched hand, nor the kindly smile, nor the joy of companionship; it's the spiritual inspiration that comes to one when he discovers that someone else believes in him and is willing to trust him with his friend.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

True friendship is seen through the heart, not through the eyes.

Life's truest happiness is found in friendships we make along the way.

Friendship is composed of a single soul inhabiting two bodies.

Aristotle

There are not many things in life so beautiful as true friendship, and not many things more uncommon.

There is an important difference between love and friendship. While the former delights in extremes and opposites, the latter demands equality.

The most I can do for my friend is simply to be his friend. I have no wealth to bestow on him. If he knows that I am happy in loving him, he will want no other reward. Is not friendship divine in this?

Henry David Thoreau

Friendship that flows from the heart cannot be frozen by adversity, as the water that flows from the spring cannot congeal in winter.

James Fenimore Cooper

Friendships are what our dreams are made of. We hold onto each other with its binding love. We stand close to each other, hand in hand, showing each other we understand. Some friends may come and go, but you are the truest friend I know.

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Expressions of Memories

A beautiful memory lingers

Your memory is a light to guide us

Fond memories stay with us every day,
remembrance keeps you near

In our hearts we keep sweet memories

Your beloved memory enriches our lives

What we keep in memory
is ours unchanged forever

Rest is thine and
sweet remembrance ours

Until memory fades & life departs,
you will live forever in our hearts

Time cannot steal the treasures
that we carry in our hearts

We have loved you in life...
let us not forget you in death

This was no ordinary life. This was
a life well-lived and well-loved,
a life that will be deeply missed.

A life well-lived leaves behind a
beautiful bouquet of memories

Happiness / Joy

The happiness of others was his joy

Happiness is the meaning and the purpose
of life, the whole aim and end of human
existence
Aristotle

Religious Reflections

In God's will is our peace

Forever with the Lord

Generous of heart, constant in faith

Lord, thank you for a beautiful life

Our hope is in God

May his soul rest in peace

The Lord is my Shepherd,
I shall not want

Thy will be done

Our trust is in God

Safe in the arms of Jesus

The spirit lives in the shelter
of God's love and mercy

Show us, oh Lord,
thy mercy and grant us thy salvation

And I give unto them eternal rest

Christ is my hope

Blessed are the pure in heart
for they shall see God

Humility

True merit, is like a river, the deeper it is,
the less noise it makes

Lord, where we are wrong, make us willing
to change; where we are right, make us
easy to live with

Humility is not thinking less of yourself
but thinking of yourself less

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Reflections of Love

Love's last gift, remembrance
 Remembered with love
 Their love will last an eternity
 Words of kindness, deeds of love
 Your love will never be forgotten
 Their love and tenderness
 touched our hearts.
 In loving memory of...
 Loved forever
 Fondly loved and deeply mourned
 Forever remembered, forever loved
 Always in our hearts
 Love forever true
 We will love you always
 Laughed often, loved much
 Abiding love never dies
 Each soul leaves a legacy of love

Honesty / Integrity

Honesty is the first chapter in the
 book of wisdom.
 Thomas Jefferson
 Honesty is the best policy. If I lose
 mine honor, I lose myself.
 William Shakespeare
 The greatest way to live with honor
 in this world is to be what we
 pretend to be.
 Socrates

Kindness

Kind, loving and faithful
 A friend to many
 Always kind and willing
 A friend to many and sadly missed
 Kindness is always remembered
 Generous of spirit and a friend to many
 A good and kind heart
 is the best of all qualities
 Modest and gentle of heart
 A tender heart and generous spirit
 Of generous heart...and of beautiful spirit
 Gentle of heart... faithful and just
 Your beautiful spirit lifted up our hearts

The Journey's End

Life's race well run
 Life's work well done
 Life's victory won
 The task accomplished
 the long day done
 Beyond the sunset
 Gone but not forgotten
 Rest in peace
 Forever at peace
 Beloved one, farewell
 Until we meet again

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Children / Infant

And a little child shall lead them
 Our baby is in heaven
 So small, so sweet, so soon
 Children are the keys of paradise
 So little, yet so loved
 Jesus called a little child unto him
 He shall gather the lambs
 within his arms
 Even the tiniest child leaves behind
 love that lasts forever

Laughter & Humor

Humor is mankind's greatest blessing

Good humor is one of the
 preservatives of our peace
 and tranquility

A sense of humor is needed armor.
 Joy in one's heart and some laughter
 on one's lips, is a sign that the person
 down deep has a pretty good grasp
 of life.

The most wasted of all days is one
 without laughter

I've always thought that a big laugh
 is a really loud noise from the soul
 saying, "ain't that the truth"

A man isn't poor if he can still laugh

It was not a laugh,
 but merely a loud smile

People often tell me that motivation
 doesn't last, and I tell them that
 bathing doesn't either. That's why
 I recommend it daily. Zig Ziglar

Courage / Strength / Purpose

Many things will catch your eye,
 but only a few will catch your heart...
 pursue those

Success is a journey,
 not a destination

Successful is the person who
 has lived well, laughed often,
 and loved much; who has never
 lacked appreciation for the earth's
 beauty; who never fails to look for
 the best in others or give the best
 of themselves.

Keep your face to the sunshine,
 and you will not see the shadows.
 Helen Keller

Heroes are ordinary people who
 place their dreams above their fears

The creation of a thousand
 forests is in one acorn.
 Ralph Waldo Emerson

Your attitude almost always
 determines your altitude in life.
 Zig Ziglar

The only thing that stands
 between a person and what
 they want in life is the will
 to try it and the faith to believe
 it is possible.
 Rich Devos

Generosity / Unselfishness

The value of a man resides in what
 he gives and not in what he is
 capable of receiving.
 Albert Einstein

We ourselves feel that what we
 are doing is just a drop in the ocean.
 But the ocean would be less because
 of that missing drop.
 Mother Teresa of Calcutta

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Generosity / Unselfishness

It is in giving that we receive

We make a living by what we get,
we make a life by what we give.

Winston Churchill

Be generous with kindly words,
especially about those who are
absent.

Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe

Every man must decide whether he
will walk in the light of creative
altruism or in the darkness of
destructive selfishness.

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Be an opener of doors for such
as come after thee.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

Do all the good you can,
by all the means you can,
in all the ways you can,
in all the places you can,
at all the times you can,
to all the people you can,
as long as ever you can.

John Wesley

Let no one ever come to you without
leaving better and happier. Be the
living expression of God's kindness:
kindness in your face, kindness in your
eyes, kindness in your smile.

Mother Teresa of Calcutta

Family

Rejoice with your family in the beautiful
land of life

The happiest moments of my life have
been the few which I have passed at
home in the bosom of my family

In time of test, family is best

Family

What greater thing is there for human
souls than to feel that they are joined
for life, to be with each other in silent
unspeakable memories.

Families are the compass that guide us.
They are the inspiration to reach great
heights, and our comfort when we
occasionally falter.

A happy family is but an earlier heaven

The love of a family is life's
greatest blessing

Other things may change us,
but we start and end with family

Children have never been very good at
listening to their elders, but they've
never failed to imitate them. James Baldwin

When you look at your life, the greatest
happineses are family happineses

Inspiration

What lies behind us and what lies before
us are tiny matters compared to what lies
within us. Ralph Waldo Emerson

Great minds have purposes, others have
wishes. Washington Irving

Knowing thyself is the height of wisdom.
Socrates

All that we love deeply becomes a part
of us. Helen Keller

The world is but a canvas to the
imagination. Henry David Thoreau

Your greatness is measured by your horizons.
Michelangelo

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Wisdom

He is happiest who hath power to
gather wisdom from a flower.

Mary Howitt

A loving heart is the truest wisdom.

Charles Dickens

From the enlightenment of music comes
the wisdom of... silence.

The doorstep to the temple of wisdom
is a knowledge of our own ignorance.

Benjamin Franklin

God, grant me the serenity to accept
the things I cannot change, the courage
to change the things I can, and the wisdom
to know the difference.

Reinhold Niebuhr

To know when to be generous and when
to be firm... this is wisdom.

Elbert Hubbard

Love Lasts Forever

Nothing that is loved is ever lost...
No one who has touched a life,
who has brought beauty to the
world, is ever truly gone.

Time takes the simple and small
memories of those we love and
silently turns them to gold.

Memories, laughter, love...
the treasures we keep forever.

The world is diminished because
he is gone... but it is still a better
place because he was here.

He will always be with us...
in our hearts, in our memories,
in our lives.

Passionate / Enthusiastic

We must not allow the clock and
the calender to blind us to the fact
that each moment is a miracle and
a mystery.

H.G. Wells

To get what you've never had,
you must do what you've never done.

To strive, to seek, to find, and
not to yield.

Alfred Lord Tennyson

Above all, be true to yourself, and
if you cannot put your heart in it,
take yourself out of it.

In A Better Place

In another home, in a happier place,
in a beautiful forever...we'll meet again.

When at last I say good-bye,
don't let your tears keep falling,
for when my time has come,
I'll hear my savior sweetly calling.
And as he takes my hand,
all pain and cares will disappear,
and he will gently whisper,
welcome home. I'm glad you're here.

From the tree of life each leaf must fall...
the green, the gold, the great, the small...
each one in God's own time he'll call...
with perfect love he gathers all.

It is morning on the other side...
and all is light and joy.

Perhaps they are not stars, but
rather openings in heaven, where
the love of our lost ones pour
through and shines down upon us
to let us know they are happy.