

# STATIONERY THEMES



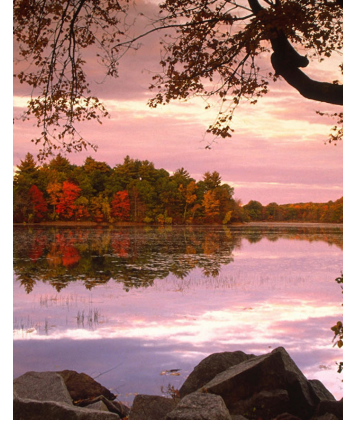
ABSTRACT ART



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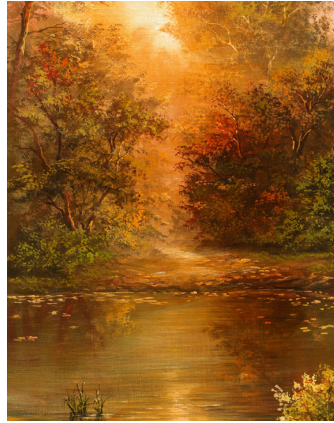
ANGEL OF LOVE



AUTUMN ROCKS



AUTUMN SUN



AUTUMN WATER



BAND



BARN FIELD



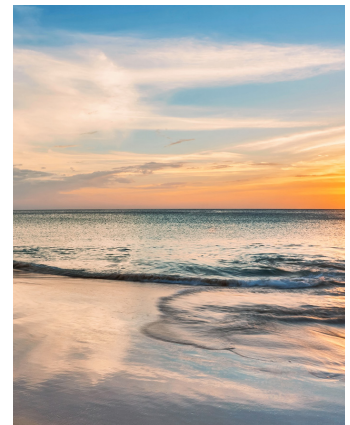
BARN SILO



BASEBALL



BASKETBALL



BEACH



BEARS



BLUE FLOWERS



BLUE SPOTS



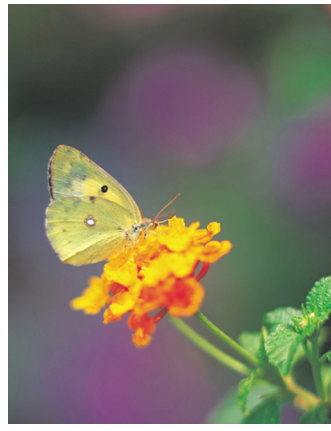
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BOAT SUNSET



BRASS



BUTTERFLY



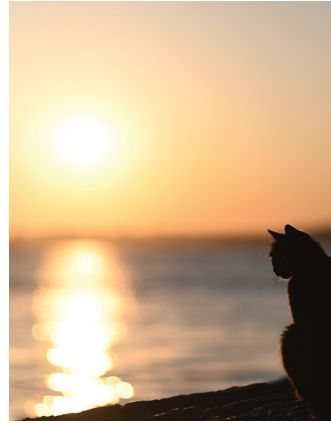
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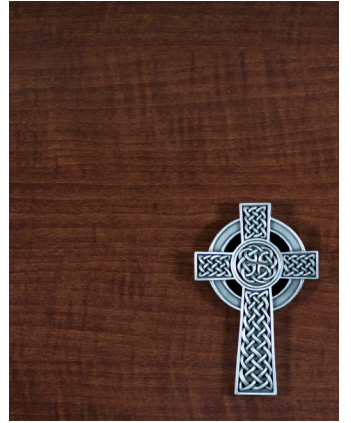
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CANOE



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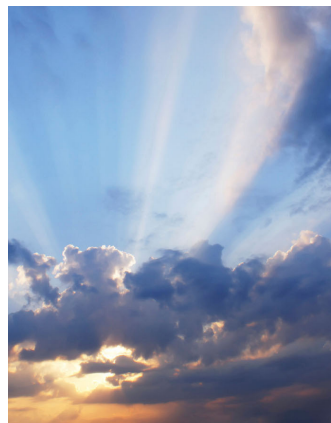
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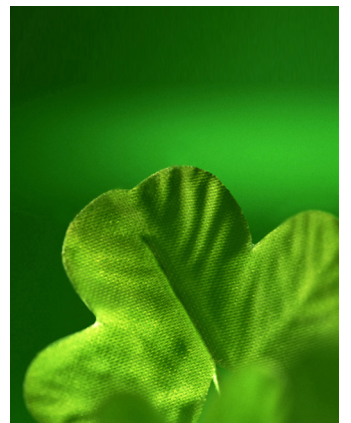
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CLASSIC CARS



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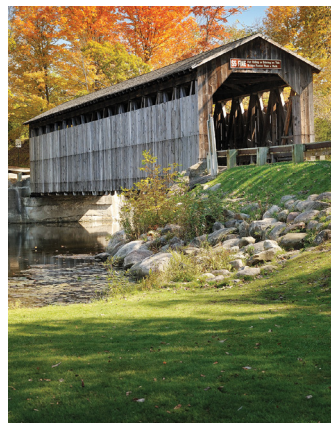
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COUNTRY BOOTS



COUNTRY SUN



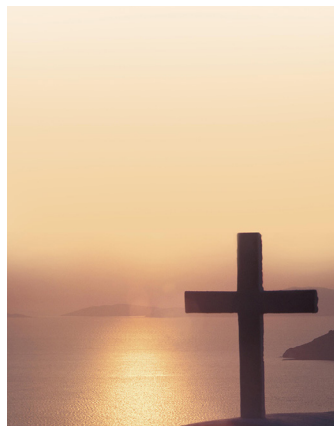
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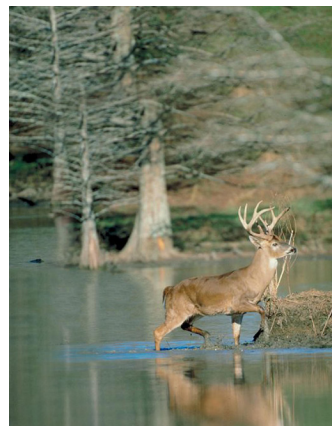
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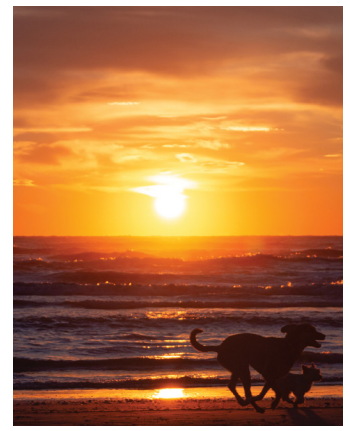
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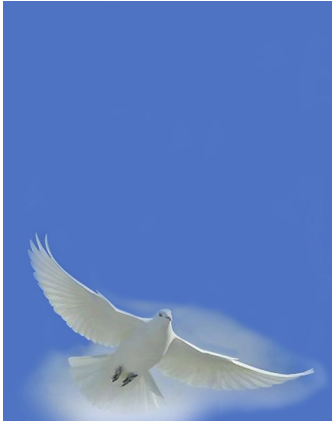
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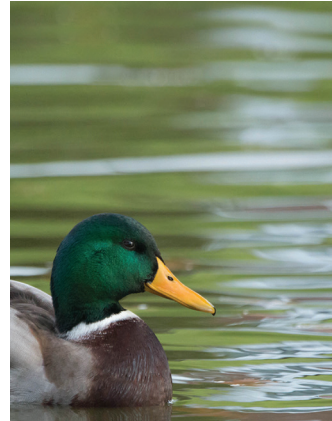
DOG



DOVE



DRUMS



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EQUESTRIAN



FALL LAKE



FALL PATHWAY



FIELD OF FLOWERS



FIREMAN



FISH TACKLE



FISHERMAN



FLAG SOLDIER



FLAG SUNSET



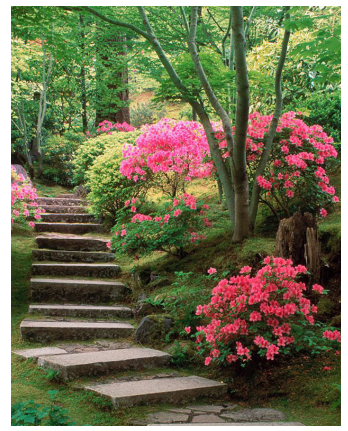
FLOWER PAINTING



FOOTBALL



FOOTPRINTS



GARDEN WALK



GARDEN



GLASSES



GOLF BAG



GOLF SUNSET



GOLF WATER



GREEN SPOTS



GREEN WALLPAPER



GUITAR



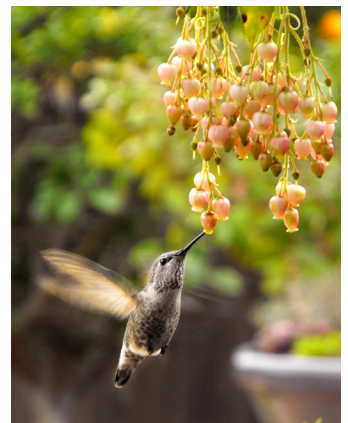
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HOCKEY



HOT AIR BALLOONS



HUMMINGBIRD



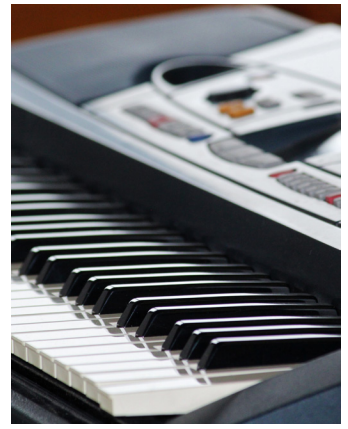
IRISH HILLS



JET PLANES



JEWISH



KEYBOARD



LIGHTHOUSE



LOG CABIN



MECHANIC



MOTORCYCLE



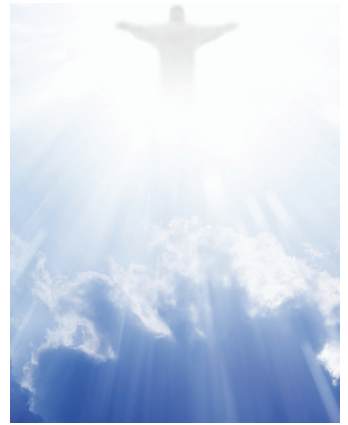
MOUNTAIN FLOWERS



NATURE



NIGHT BRIDGE



OPEN ARMS



ORANGE PAINT



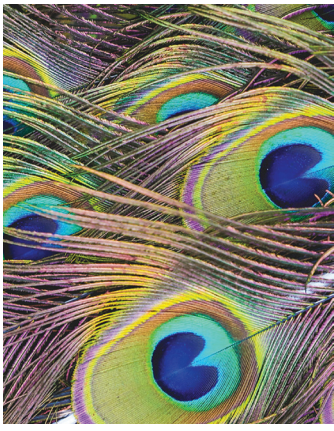
PERPETUAL HELP



PALM TREES



PAPER LANTERNS



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PIANO



PINK SPOTS



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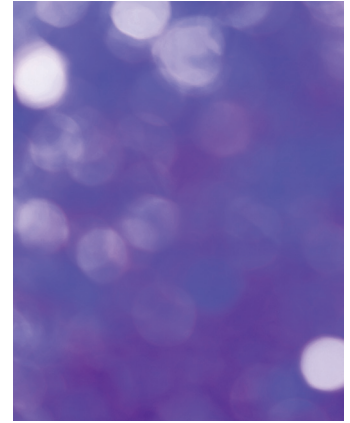
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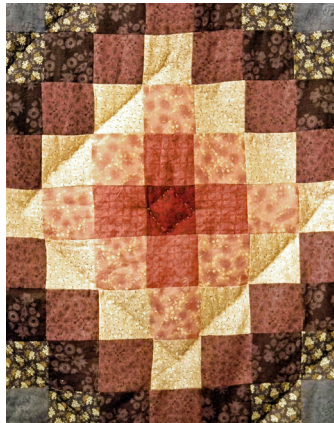
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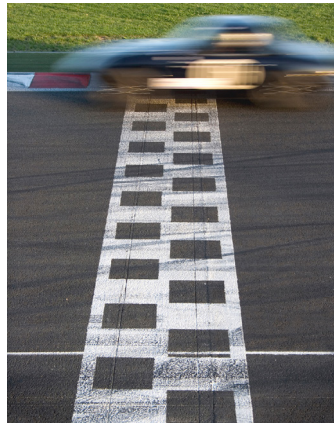
PURPLE WALLPAPER



PURPLE SPOTS



QUILT



RACECAR



RAINBOW



ROSARY



ROSES



SACRED HEART - JESUS



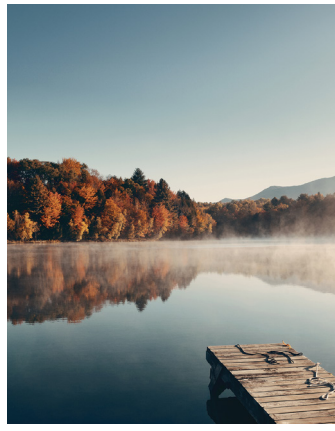
SACRED HEART - MARY



SAILBOAT



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SERENE WATER



SEWING



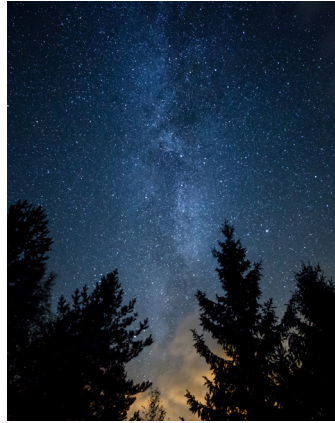
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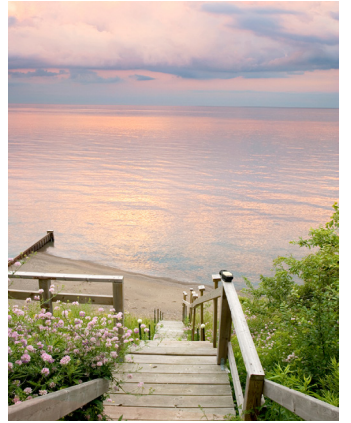
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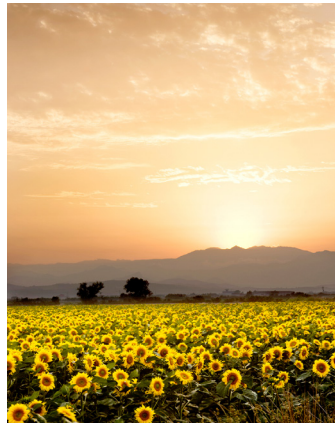
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STEPS TO WATER



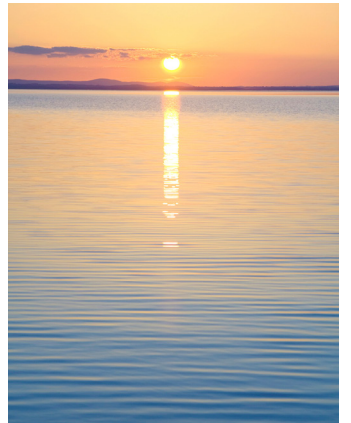
STRINGS



SUNFLOWERS



SUNRISE CROSS



SUNSET



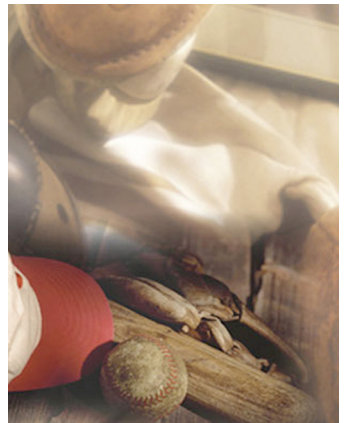
SUNSHINE



TEACHER



VETERAN



VINTAGE SPORTS



VIOLIN ROSE



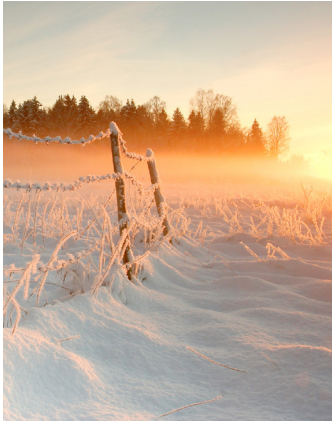
WHEAT SUNSET



WHEAT



WINTER CARDINAL



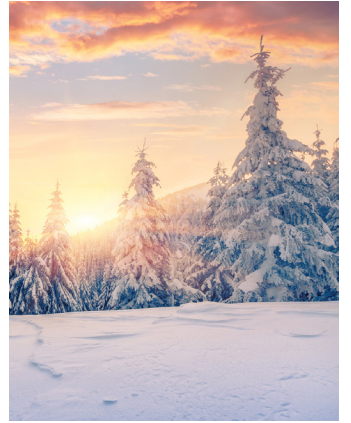
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WINTER SNOW



WINTER SUNSET



WINTER SUNSET 2



YARN



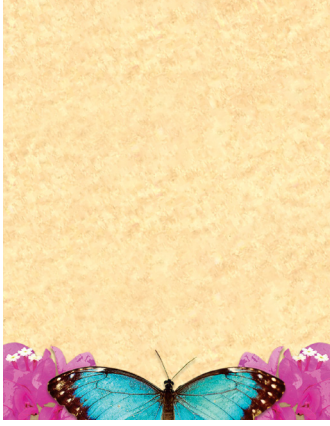
YELLOW FLOWERS



YELLOW SPOTS



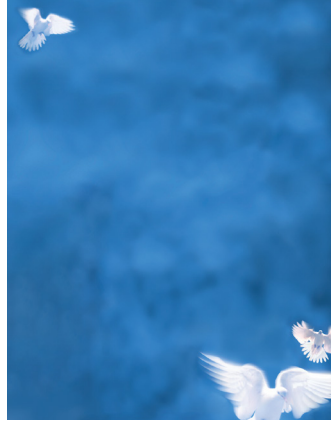
# FOREVER MOMENTS STATIONERY THEMES



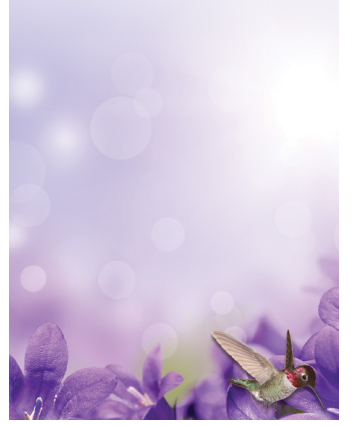
BUTTERFLY



COUNTRY CARDINAL



DOVES OF PEACE



FREE FLIGHT



GOLFER'S DREAM



OLD GLORY



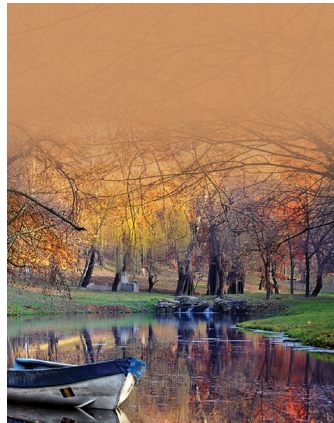
PEACEFUL MEMORIES



ROSE SPLENDOR



SERENITY ANGEL



STILL WATERS



TENDER GARDEN



TIMELESS MEMORIES



WINTER SUNRISE

# SERVICE FOLDER VERSES

## The 23rd Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in the  
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.  
Yea though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death, I will fear no evil;  
for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy staff  
they comfort me. Thou preparest  
a table before me in the presence of mine  
enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil;  
my cup runneth over. Surely goodness  
and mercy shall follow me all the  
days of my life; and I will dwell in the  
house of the Lord forever.

## Crossing the Bar

Sunset and evening star,  
And one clear call from me!  
And may there be no moaning  
of the bar When I put out to sea.  
But such a tide as moving seems  
asleep, Too full for sound and foam,  
When that which drew from out  
the boundless deep. Turns again home.  
Twilight and evening bell, And after  
that the dark! And may there be no  
sadness of farewell, When I embark;  
for tho' from out our borne of Time  
and place the flood may bear me far,  
I hope to see my Pilot face to face,  
when I have crossed the bar.

## 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 belonged to  
him, and the other to the Lord. When the last scene of  
his life flashed before him, he looked back at the foot-  
prints in the sand. He noticed that many times along  
the path of his life there was only one set of footprints.  
He also noticed that it  
happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his  
life. This really bothered him and he questioned the  
Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to  
follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have  
noticed that during the most troublesome times in  
my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't un-  
derstand why when I needed you the most you would  
leave me." The Lord replied, "My precious, precious  
child, I love you and 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."

## God Hath Not

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

## America, the Beautiful

O beautiful for spacious skies  
For amber waves of grain  
For purple mountain majesties  
Above the fruited plain  
America! America!  
God shed His grace on thee  
And crown thy good  
with brotherhood  
From sea to shining sea.

## Dios te Salve Maria

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

## For Every Burden

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

## I Am Not There

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

## Comfort

The Power who pities man has shown  
A blessing for the eyes that weep.  
The light of smiles shall fill again  
the lids that overflow with tears;  
And weary hours of woe and pain  
Are promises of happier years.  
There is a day of sunny rest  
For every dark and troubled night;  
And grief may abide and evening guest,  
But joy shall come with early light.  
For God hath marked each sorrowing day,  
And numbered every secret tear,  
And Heaven's long age of bliss shall pay  
For all His children suffer here.  
William Cullen Bryant

## El Salmo Veinte-Tres

El Señor es mi pastor, nada de falta,  
en verdes pastos el me hace reposar y  
adonde brota agua fresca me conduce.  
Fortalece mi alma, por el camino del buen  
me dirige por amor de su Nombre.  
Aunque pase por quebradas muy oscuras no  
temo ningun mal, porque tu estas conmigo,  
tu baston y tu vara me protegen.  
Me sirves a la mesa frente a mis adversarios,  
con aceites tu perfumas mi cabeza y rellanas  
mi copa.  
Me acompañan tu bondad y tu favor  
mientras dura mi vida, mi mansion sera la  
casa del Señor por largo, largo, tiempo.

## The Serenity Prayer

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.

## 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 Him call  
I turned my back and left it all.  
I could not stay another day  
To laugh, to love, to work or play.  
Tasks left undone must stay that way  
I found that place at the close 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, I too, will miss.  
Be not burdened with times of sorrow.  
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.  
My life's been full, I savored much.  
Good friends, good times, a loved one's touch.  
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief;  
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.  
Lift up your heart and share with me  
God wanted me now, He set me free. Author  
Unknown.

### **It's Difficult**

It's difficult when someone  
Who is loved cannot be there,  
But memories that are made and shared  
Will keep a loved one near.  
And God, with loving wisdom,  
Will be there to guide us through;  
He'll help us meet tomorrow  
And He'll give us strength anew.

Jesus said,  
"I am the resurrection  
And the life;  
He who believes in me,  
Though he die,  
Yet shall he live,  
And whoever lives  
And believes in me  
Shall never die."  
John 11:25,26

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name;  
Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
Amen.

Jesus said,

"Let the little children  
come to me,  
And do not hinder them,  
For the kingdom of  
heaven belongs  
To such as these."  
Matthew 19:14

### **In Memory of a Mother**

I remember thee in this solemn hour,  
my dear Mother. I remember the days  
when thou didst dwell on earth, and  
thy tender love watched over me like a  
guardian angel. Thou hast gone from  
me, but the bond which unites our  
souls can never be severed; thine image  
lives within my heart. May the  
merciful Father reward thee for the  
faithfulness and kindness thou hast  
ever shown me; may He lift up the  
light of His countenance upon thee  
and grant thee eternal peace.  
Amen

### **My Farm**

My farm to me is not just land  
Where bare unpainted buildings stand  
To me, my farm is nothing less  
Than all created loveliness.  
My farm is not where I must soil  
My hands in endless dreary toil  
But where through seed and swelling pod  
I've learned to walk and talk with God.  
My farm to me is not a place  
Outmoded by the modern race  
For here I think I just see less  
Of evil, greed and selfishness.  
My farm's a haven here dwells rest,  
Security and happiness  
Whate'er befalls the world outside  
Here faith and hope and love abide.  
And so my farm is not just land  
Where bare unpainted buildings stand  
To me my farm is nothing less  
Than all God's hoarded loveliness.

### **O Gentlest Heart**

O gentlest heart of Jesus,  
ever present in the Blessed Sacrament,  
ever consumed with burning love for the  
poor captive souls, have mercy on the soul  
of thy departed servant. Be not severe in Thy  
judgment but let some drops of Thy Precious  
Blood fall upon the devouring flames, and  
do Thou O Merciful Savior, send Thy Angels  
to conduct Thy departed servant to a place  
of refreshment, light and peace. Amen  
Merciful Jesus grant eternal rest.

### **Oracion**

Reconoce, Señor, tu criatura, obra no  
De dioses extraños, sino tuya, Dios unico,  
Vivo y verdadero, porque no hay otro  
Dios mas que tu, y nadie te iguala en las  
Obras. Haz, Señor, que tu dulce presencia  
Le llene el alma de alegría; Olvida sus In-  
iquidades pasadas y los extravíos a que Fue  
arrastrada por sus pasiones; Porque  
Aun cuando peco no ha renunciado a la fe  
Del Padre, del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo,  
Sino que ha conservado el celo Señor  
Y adorado fielmente a Dios, creador de  
Todas las cosas.  
Amen

### **Oracion de San Francisco de Asis**

Señor hazme un instrumento de Tu paz,  
Donde haya odio, lleve yo el amor  
Donde haya injuria, tu perdon Señor  
Donde haya duda lleve yo la fe.  
Hazme un instrumento de Tu paz,  
Donde haya pesar, lleve yo esperanza  
Donde haya obscuridad Tu luz, Señor  
Donde haya trizteza, lleve yo alegría.  
Maestro ayudame a nunca mentir,  
A ser consolado, sino consolar  
A ser entendido, sino entender  
A ser amado, sino ya amar.  
Por eso es que en dar nosotros recibimos;  
En perdonar, nosotros somos perdonados  
Y en morir nacemos a la vida eterna.

### **Peace Like A River**

When peace like a river, attendeth my way;  
When sorrows like sea billows roll;  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,  
It is well, it is well with my soul my soul...  
And, Lord, haste the day when  
our faith shall be sight  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,  
The trumpet shall sound, and  
the Lord shall descend;  
Even so, it is well with my soul...

### **Psalm 121**

I will lift up my eyes to the hills—  
whence cometh my help.  
My help cometh from the Lord,  
which Made Heaven and earth.  
He will not suffer thy foot to be moved:  
He that keepeth thee will not slumber.  
Behold, he that keepeth Israel  
shall neither Slumber nor sleep.  
The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade  
upon thy right hand.  
The sun shall not smite thee by day,  
nor the moon by night.  
The Lord shall preserve thy going out  
and thy coming in from this time forth,  
and Even evermore.

### **The Sheaf of Wheat... Symbol of Christian Faith**

The seeds of faith are sown in the human  
personality and grow into the mature faith of  
the Christian man or woman. The sown seed  
must lose its life in order that it may develop  
and grow and multiply, symbolically, a sheaf  
of wheat is used by Christians to mark the  
passing of a fellow Christian. Death is not  
the end but the beginning of life eternal.  
The mature grain in the sheaf is the direct  
symbol of the Resurrection-the life beyond  
the grave, the Fulfillment of the  
promises of Jesus Christ.

**St. Francis of Assisi**

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; To be understood as to understand; To be loved as to love; For it is in giving that we receive, and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

**Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi**

Lord make me an instrument of Thy peace.  
Where there is hatred let me sow love.  
Where there is injury, pardon.  
Where there is doubt, faith.  
Where there is despair, hope.  
Where there is darkness, light.  
Where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love;  
for it is in giving that we receive, and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

**Taps**

Day is done, gone the sun  
From the lake, from the hill  
From the sky.  
All is well, safely rest  
God is nigh.  
Thanks and praise, for our days,  
'Neath the sun, 'neath the stars,  
'Neath the sky.  
As we go, this we know,  
God is nigh.  
Amen.

**Treasured Seasons**

For everything there is  
an appointed season,  
And a time for everything  
under heaven-  
A time for sharing  
a time for caring.  
A time for loving,  
a time for giving;  
A time for remembering,  
a time for parting.  
You have made everything  
beautiful in its time  
For everything You do  
remains forever.

**To a Waterfowl**

There is a Power whose care teaches  
the way along that pathless coast.  
The desert and limitless air  
Lone wandering, but never lost.  
And soon that toil shall end,  
Soon shalt thou find a summer home,  
and rest. And scream among thy fellows.  
Reeds shall bend. Soon, o'er thy  
sheltered rest, He who, from zone to zone,  
Guides through the boundless sky Thy  
certain flight, in the long way that I must  
tread alone, will lead my steps aright.  
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**BOOKMARK VERSES**

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He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in the  
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.  
Yea though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death, I will fear no evil;  
for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy  
staff they comfort me. Thou preparest  
a table before me in the presence of mine  
enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil;  
my cup runneth over. Surely goodness  
and mercy shall follow me all the  
days of my life; and I will dwell in the house  
of the Lord forever.

**St. Francis of Assisi**

O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; To be understood as to understand; To be loved as to love;  
For it is in giving that we receive, and it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

**Treasured Seasons**

For everything there is  
an appointed season,  
And a time for everything  
under heaven-  
A time for sharing  
a time for caring.  
A time for loving,  
a time for giving;  
A time for remembering,  
a time for parting.  
You have made everything  
beautiful in its time  
For everything You do  
remains forever.

# PRAYER CARD VERSES

## The 23rd Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.  
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures;  
He leadeth me beside the still waters.  
He restoreth my soul; He leadeth me in the  
paths of righteousness for His name's sake.  
Yea though I walk through the valley of the  
shadow of death, I will fear no evil;  
for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy  
staff they comfort me. Thou preparest  
a table before me in the presence of mine  
enemies; Thou anointest my head with oil;  
my cup runneth over. Surely goodness  
and mercy shall follow me all the  
days of my life; and I will dwell in the house  
of the Lord forever.

## A Favorite Poem

"I am not looking for the sunset  
As the swift years come and go;  
I am looking for the sunrise and  
The morning golden glow. I am not going  
down but upward And the path is never dim.  
For the day proves ever brighter As I journey  
on with Him. So my eyes are on the hilltops,  
Waiting for the sun to rise, Waiting for his  
invitation To my home beyond the skies."

Author Unknown

## 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 belonged to  
him, and the other to the Lord. When the last scene of  
his life flashed before him, he looked back at the foot-  
prints in the sand. He noticed that many times along  
the path of his life there was only one set of footprints.

He also noticed that it  
happened at the very lowest and saddest times in his  
life. This really bothered him and he questioned the  
Lord about it. "Lord, you said that once I decided to  
follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have  
noticed that during the most troublesome times in  
my life, there is only one set of footprints. I don't un-  
derstand why when I needed you the most you would  
leave me." The Lord replied, "My precious, precious  
child, I love you and 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."

## God Hath Not

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

## God Looked Around

God looked around his garden and he  
found an empty place, He then looked  
down upon this 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 that the road  
was getting rough and the hills are hard to  
climb. So He closed your weary eyelids and  
Whispered, "Peace be thine." It broke our  
hearts to lose you but you didn't go alone,  
for parts of us went with you, The day God  
called you home.

## God Saw He Was Getting Tired

God saw he was getting tired And a cure  
was not to be. So he put his arms around  
him And whispered, "Come with me."  
With tearful eyes we watched him suffer  
and saw him fade away. Although we loved  
him dearly, We could not make him stay.  
A golden heart stopped beating, Hard  
working hands to rest .God broke our heart  
to prove to us He only takes the best.

## I Am Not There

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

## Irish Blessing

May the road rise with you, may the  
wind be always at your back, May  
the sun shine warm upon your face.  
And rains fall soft upon your fields,  
And until we meet again, may God  
keep you in the hollow of His hand.

"For God so loved the world, that  
He gave His only begotten Son, that  
whosoever believeth in Him should  
not perish, but have everlasting life."

St. John 3:16

## Let Us Pray

We give them back to You O Lord Who first  
gave them to us; yet as You did not lose them  
giving, so we do not lose them by their return,  
for what is Yours is our also if we belong to  
You. Love is undying, and life is Unending,  
and the boundary of this Mortal life is but a  
horizon and a Horizon is nothing save the  
limit of Our sight. Lift us up, strong Son of  
God, that we may see further. Cleanse our  
eyes that we may see clearly, and while You  
prepare a Place for us, prepare us also for that  
Happy place, that we may be with You, and  
with those we love, Forevermore.

Amen  
Dom Bede Jarrett, O.P.

## Life Without End

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

## Little Angels

When God calls little children To dwell with  
Him above, We mortals sometimes question  
The wisdom of his love. For no heartache  
compares with The death of one small child  
Who does so much to make our world Seem  
wonderful and mild. Perhaps God tires of  
calling The aged to His fold, So He picks a  
rosebud Before it can grow old. God knows  
how much we need them, And so he takes  
but few To make the land of Heaven More  
beautiful to view. Believing this is difficult  
Still somehow we must try. The saddest word  
mankind knows Will always be "Goodbye."  
So when a little child departs, We who are  
left behind Must realize God loves children-  
Angels are hard to find.

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father who art in heaven,  
Hallowed be thy name;  
Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread;  
And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
Amen.

### **Memorare**

Remember O most gracious  
Virgin Mary that never was it known that  
anyone who fled to Thy protection, implored  
thy help, and sought Thy intercession was left  
unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly  
unto Thee, O Virgin of virgins. My Mother!  
to Thee I come; before Thee I stand, sinful  
and sorrowful. Oh Mother of the Word  
incarnated despise not my petitions, but, in  
Thy mercy, hear and answer me.  
Amen.

### **A Mother's Love**

A Mother's love is something that no one can  
Explain, it is made of deep devotion and sacri-  
fice And pain, it is endless and unselfish and  
enduring come what may for nothing can de-  
stroy it or Take that love away. . . It is patient and  
forgiving when all others Are forsaking, and  
it never fails or falters even though the heart is  
breaking. . . it believes beyond Believing when  
the world around condemns, and it glows with  
all the beauty of the rarest, Brightest gems. . . It  
is far beyond defining, it defies all explanation  
And it still remains a secret like the mysteries  
of creation. . . a many splendored miracle man  
cannot understand and another wondrous  
Evidence of God's tender guiding hand.

### **O Gentlest Heart**

O gentlest heart of Jesus, ever present in the  
Blessed Sacrament, ever consumed with  
burning love for the poor captive souls, have  
mercy on the soul of thy departed servant.  
Be not severe in Thy judgment but let some  
drops of Thy Precious Blood fall upon the  
devouring flames, and do Thou O Merciful  
Savior, send Thy Angels to conduct Thy  
departed servant to a place of refreshment,  
light and peace.  
Amen.  
Merciful Jesus grant eternal rest.

### **Prayer for all the Faithful Departed**

The Creator and Redeemer Of All the  
Faithful, Grant to the Souls Of Thy  
Servants departed The remission of all  
their sins; That through pious suppli-  
cations They may obtain the pardon  
Which they have always desired Who  
livest and reignest World without end.  
Amen

### **Precious Lord**

Precious Lord, take my hand, lead me on,  
Let me stand, I am tired, I am weak, I am  
worn; thru the storm, thru the night, Lead  
me on to the light, Take my hand, Precious  
Lord, Lead me home. When my way grows  
drear, Precious Lord, linger near, When my  
life Is almost gone, Hear my cry, hear my  
call, Hold my hand lest I fall, Take my hand  
precious Lord, Lead me home. When the  
darkness appears and the night draws near,  
And the day is past and gone, At the river I  
stand, Guide my feet, hold my hand, Take  
my hand, precious Lord, Lead me home.

### **Resurrection**

Most merciful Father, we commend our  
departed into your hands. We are filled with  
the sure hope that our departed will rise  
again on the Last Day with all who have died  
in Christ. We thank you for all the good  
things you have given during our departed's  
earthly life. O Father, in you great mercy,  
accept our prayer that the Gates of Paradise  
may be opened for your servant. In our turn,  
may we too be comforted by the words of  
faith until we greet Christ in glory and are  
united with you and our departed.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
Amen

### **I Am the Resurrection**

I am the Resurrection and the  
Life: He who believes in me even  
if he die, shall live: and whoever  
lives and believes in me shall  
never die.

### **Roman Ritual**

May the angels lead you into  
Paradise, May the Martyrs  
Receive you, and may you  
With the once poor Lazarus,  
Have rest everlasting. Amen  
(Roman Ritual)  
May the souls of all the faithful  
departed, through the mercy of  
God, rest in peace. Amen

### **El Salmo Veinte-Tres**

El Senior es mi pastor, nada de falta,  
en verdes pastos el me hace reposar y  
adonde brota agua fresca me conduce.  
Fortalece mi alma, por el camino del buen  
me dirige por amor de su Nombre.  
Aunque pase por quebradas muy oscuras no  
temo ningun mal, porque tu estas conmigo,  
tu baston y tu vara me protegen.  
Me sirves a la mesa frente a mis adversarios,  
con aceites tu perfumas mi cabeza y rellanas  
mi copa.  
Me acompanan tu bondad y tu favor  
mientras dura mi vida, mi mansion sera la  
casa del Senior por largo, largo, tiempo.

### **O Piadoso Corazon de Jesus**

Oh Piadoso Corazon de Jesus, siempre  
presente en el Sagrado Sacramento, siem-  
pre lleno de amor ardiente hacia las pobres  
almas cautivas en el Purgatorio, ten piedad  
del alma de tu siervo, que ha fallecido. No  
seas muy severo al juzgarle, mas deja que  
algunas gotas de tu Preciosa Sangre caigan  
sobre las llamas devoradoras y envia tus  
Angeles, Oh Salvador Misericordioso,  
para que lo conduzcan a un lugar de des-  
canso y paz eterna.  
Amen.

### **Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi**

Lord make me an instrument of Thy peace.  
Where there is hatred let me sow love.  
Where there is injury, pardon.  
Where there is doubt, faith.  
Where there is despair, hope.  
Where there is darkness, light.  
Where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so  
much seek to be consoled as to console;  
to be understood as to understand;  
to be loved as to love;  
for it is in giving that we receive, and it is in  
pardoning that we are pardoned,  
and it is in dying that we are  
born to eternal life.

**Taps**

Day is done, gone the sun  
From the lake, from the hill  
From the sky.  
All is well, safely rest  
God is nigh.  
Thanks and praise, for our days,  
'Neath the sun, 'neath the stars,  
'Neath the sky.  
As we go, this we know,  
God is nigh.  
Amen.

**The Serenity Prayer**

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.

**Treasured Seasons**

For everything there is  
an appointed season,  
And a time for everything  
under heaven-  
A time for sharing  
a time for caring.  
A time for loving,  
a time for giving;  
A time for remembering,  
a time for parting.  
You have made everything  
beautiful in its time  
For everything You do  
remains forever.

**When I Come to the End of the Day**

When I come to the end of the day  
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. Re-  
member the love we once shared, Miss me,  
but let me go. For this is a journey we all  
must take And each must go alone. It's all  
part of the Maker's plan, A step on the road  
to home. When we are lonely and sick at  
heart Go to the friends we know, And bury  
your sorrows in doing good deeds-Miss  
me, but let me go.

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT CARD SENTIMENTS**

*The family of*

*will hold in grateful remembrance  
your kind expression of sympathy*

*The family of*

*acknowledges with grateful  
appreciation the kind expression  
of your sympathy*

*To thank you  
for your kindness and sympathy  
at a time when it was  
deeply appreciated  
by the family of*

*Your kind expression  
of sympathy  
is deeply appreciated  
and gratefully acknowledged  
by the family of*

*The family of*  
*acknowledges*  
*with grateful appreciation*  
*your kind expression*  
*of sympathy*

*Perhaps you sent a lovely card,  
or sat quietly in a chair.  
Perhaps you sent a funeral spray,  
If so we saw it there.  
Perhaps you spoke the kindest words,  
As any friend could say;  
Perhaps you were not there at all,  
Just thought of us that day.  
Whatever you did to console our  
hearts, We thank you so much whatev-  
er the part.  
By the family of*

*Thank you sincerely  
for sharing our sorrow  
Your kindness is  
deeply appreciated and  
will always be remembered*

*The family of  
acknowledges with grateful  
appreciation  
your kind expression  
of sympathy*

*Thank you sincerely  
for sharing our sorrow  
Your kindness is  
deeply appreciated and  
will always be remembered  
by the family of*

*Your kindness and  
concern have meant  
so very much and  
will always be  
remembered*

*During a time like this  
we realize how much  
our friends really mean  
to us...  
Your expression  
of sympathy will always  
be remembered*

*Thank you for your  
kind expression of  
sympathy. It is of great  
comfort to know  
that you are thinking  
of us during this time.*

*We are blessed by  
your heartfelt expression  
of love and sympathy  
The family of*

*We are blessed by  
your heartfelt expression  
of love and sympathy  
The family of*

*Thank you for  
uplifting spirit of love and  
faith during our time of sorrow.  
By the family of*

*In times of needed comfort.  
it's the embrace of  
family and friends that  
means so much.  
The family of*

*Your shared expression of  
kindness and sympathy  
will forever remain  
in our hearts*