#### Child, continued

- 71. Our darling has gone to the angels above, Where there's nothing but happiness, joy and love. Gone from this world, so full of strife, Back to the God who gave her life. So let us not fret, or wish her back again, To go through the sorrows that come to all men; But rejoice that God chose our sweet flower for His own And has taken her back to His Heavenly home.
- 72. Dear is the grave, where our darling is laid Sweet is the memory that never will fade. The cup was bitter, the loss severe, To part with the one we loved so dear. Her little soul, so pure and sweet, Will blossom at the Saviour's feet.

# Friend or Kin

- 73. Our family circle has been broken, A link gone from our chain; But though we're parted for a while, We know we'll meet again. Some day we hope to meet you, Some day, we know not when, We shall meet in a better land And never part again. We shall meet with many a loved one That was torn from our embrace, We shall listen to their voices, And behold them face to face. Sunshine passes, shadows fall, Love's remembrance outlasts all.
- 74. Just a thought of sweet remembrance Just a memory sad and true, Just the love and sweet devotion Of one who thinks of you.
- 75. 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 glint on snow, I am the sunlight on ripened grain, I am the sunlight on ripened grain, I am the gentle autumn's rain. When you awaken in the morning 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.
- 76. The years may wipe out many things, But this they'll wipe out never, The memory of those happy days Which we have spent together, For all you did for me you did your best, May God grant you eternal rest.
- 77. There is a link death cannot sever, Love and Remembrance last forever.
- 78. There's a face that is haunting as ever There's a voice that we're longing to hear There's a smile we'll remember forever, Though we try to forget every tear. There's a sad but sweet remembrance, There's a bad but sweet remembrance, There's a token of affection, dear And heartache still for you.

- 79. A light is from our household gone, A voice we loved is stilled, A place is vacant in our home Which never can be filled, Some may think you are forgotten Though on earth you are no more; But in memory you are with us As you always were before.
- **80.** Remembrance is a golden chain Death tries to break but all in vain; To have, to love, and then to part Is the greatest sorrow of one's heart. The years may wipe out many things, But this they wipe out never -The memory of those happy days When we were all together.
- 81. One year has passed since that sad day, When one we loved was called away; God took him home - it was His will; Within our hearts he liveth still.
- 82. Heavy are our hearts today, Memory brings you back once more, To the time when you were with us, To the happy days of yore.
- **83.** The flowers we place upon your grave, May wither and decay, But love for you who sleeps beneath, Will never fade away.
- 84. There is someone who misses you sadly, Finds the time hard since you went There is someone who thinks of you daily, But tries hard to be brave and content.
- 85. Her voice now is silent, her heart now is cold, Her smile and the welcome that met us of old; We miss her and mourn her in sorrow unseen, And dwell on the memories of days that have been.
- 86. Gone from us, but leaving memories Death can never take away, Memories that will always linger While upon this earth we stay.
   'Tis sweet to know we'll meet again Where partings are no more, And that the one we loved so well Has only one before.
- 87. Time may heal the broken-hearted, Time may make the wound less sore; But time will never stop the longing For the loved one done before.
- 88. Not dead to us who loved him, Not lost, but gone before; He lives with us in memory And will forevermore.
- 89. May the winds of love blow softly And whisper so you'll hear; We will always love and miss you And wish that you were here.

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# In memoriam verse samples

### Mother or Sister

- 1. And while she lies in peaceful sleep Her memory we shall always keep.
- 2. In my heart your memory lingers, Always tender, fond and true; There's not a day, dear mother, I do not think of you.
- 3. We are sad within our memory, Lonely are our hearts today; For the one we loved so dearly Has forever been called away. We think of her in silence, No eye may see us weep; But many silent tears are shed When others are asleep.
- 4. Loving and kind in all her ways, Upright and just to the end of her days; Sincere and true, in her heart and mind, Beautiful memories, she left behind.
- 5. One year has passed since that sad day, When one we loved was called away; God took her home, it was His will, But in our hearts she liveth still.
- **6.** There is a sad but sweet remembrance, There is a memory fond and true; There is a token of affection, mother, And a heartache still for you.
- 7. A wonderful mother, woman and aide, One who was better God never made; A wonderful worker, so loyal and true, One in a million - that mother was you. Just in your judgment, always right; Honest and liberal, ever upright; Loved by your friends and all whom you knew Our wonderful mother - that mother was you.
- 8. The world may change from year to year And friends from day to day, But never will the one I loved From memory pass away.
- 9. No one knows how much we miss you, No one knows the bitter pain We have suffered since we lost you Life has never been the same. In our hearts your memory lingers, Sweetly tender, fond and true, There is not a day, dear mother That we do not think of you.
- 10. In our home she is fondly remembered, Sweet memories cling to her name, Those who loved her in life sincerely Still love her in death just the same.
- 11. Many a day her name is spoken, And many an hour she is in our thoughts, A link in our family chain is broken, She has gone from our home but not from our hearts.
- 12. Three little words, "Forget me not" Don't seem much, but mean a lot. Just a memory fond and true To show, dear mother, we think of you.
- 13. A loving mother, so gentle and kind, What a wonderful memory she left behind. Long days, long nights, she bore her pain. To wait for cure, but all in vain. Till God Himself knew what was best He took her home and gave her rest.

- 14. God saw the road was getting rough And the hills were hard to climb, So He closed your weary eyelids And whispered "Peace be thine."
- 15. Pleasant in manner, patient in pain, Our loss is her eternal gain, Her cheery ways and smilling face, Are a pleasure to recall; She had a kindly word for each; And died beloved by all.
- 16. What would I not give to clasp her hand Her dear, sweet face to see; To hear her voice, to see her smile, That meant so much to me. You left behind an aching heart That loved you most sincere; I never did, nor ever will Forget you, mother dear.
- 17. We have only a memory, dear mother, We cherish our whole life through; But the sweetness will live forever As we treasure the memory of you.
- 18. Always so good, unselfish and kind. Few on this earth her equal we find. Honourable and upright in all her ways, Loyal and true to the end of her days. You are not forgotten, dear mother.
- 19. Memory drifts to scenes long past, Time rolls on, but memories last; Sunshine passes, shadows fall. Love's remembrance outlasts all.
- 20. Tonight the stars are gleaming On a lonely, silent grave, Where sleeps in dreamless slumber One we loved but could not save. No one knows the silent heartaches, Only those who have lost can tell Of the grief that we bear in silence For the one we loved so well.

#### Father or Brother

- 21. Gone is the face we loved so dear, Silent is the voice we loved to hear; Too far away for sight or speech, But not too far for thought to reach, Sweet to remember him who once was here, And who, though absent, is just as dear.
- 22. What would I give to clasp his hand, His happy face to see, To hear his voice and see his smile, That meant so much to me.
- 23. The rolling stream of life rolls on. But still the vacant chair Recalls the love, the voice, the smile Of the one who once sat there.
- 24. Nothing can ever take away The love a heart holds dear. Fond memories linger every day, Remembrance keeps him near.
- 25. More and more each day we miss him; Friends may think the wound is healed; But they little know the sorrow Lying within our hearts concealed.

- **26.** You're not forgotten, father, dear Nor ever shall you be; As long as life and memory last I shall remember thee.
- **27.** His memory is as dear today, As in the hour he passed away.
- 28. The blow was great, the shock severe, We little thought his death so near, Only those that have lost can tell The sorrow of parting without farewell.
- **29.** We often think of days gone by When we were all together. A shadow o'er our lives has cast, Our loved one gone forever.
- 30. And have you gone, forever gone and left us here to weep Till we are called to follow you, and in the grave to sleep; Yet since you could no longer stay to cheer us with your love, We hope to meet with you again in the bright world above.
- 31. He had a nature you could not help loving And a heart that was purer than gold And to those who knew him and loved him His memory will never grow cold.
- 32. No one knows how much I miss you, No one knows the bitter pain I have suffered since I lost you Life has never been the same. In my heart your memory lingers, Sweetly tender, fond and true; There is not a day, dear father, That I do not think of you.
- 33. We think of him in silence, No eyes can see us weep; But still within our aching hearts, His memory we keep.
- 34. One precious to our hearts has gone, The voice we loved is stilled; The place made vacant in our home Can never more be filled. Our Father in His wisdom called The one His love had given, And so on earth the body lays - His soul is safe in Heaven.

#### Wife or Daughter

- 35. Peacefully sleeping, resting at last, The world's weary trouble and trials are past, In silence she suffered, in patience she bore, Till God called her home to suffer no more.
- 36. Time speeds on, two years have passed Since death its gloom, its shadow, cast Within our home, where all seemed bright, And took from us a shining light, We miss that light, and ever will, Her vacant place there is none to fill. Down here we mourn, but not in vain, For up in heaven we will meet again.
- 37. What would we give her hand to clasp, Her patient face to see, To hear her voice, to see her smile, As in the days that used to be.
  But some sweet day we'll meet again Beyond the toil and strife, And clasp each other's hand once more, In heaven, that happy life.

- 38. Sunshine passes, shadows fall, Love's remembrance outlasts all; And though the years be many or few, They are filled with remembrance of you.
- 39. Yes, sadly we miss her, and try not to grieve; A little while longer we too must leave, To meet her on that beautiful shore Where parting's unknown and life's evermore.
- 40. No one knows our heartaches, Only those who have lost can tell Of the grief that we bear in silence For the one we loved so well.
- 41. She was taken without any warning, Her going left hearts filled with pain; But though she is gone from amongst us, In our hearts she will always remain.
- 42. Time may help to ease the bitter pain Of the loss of one held dear; But only few know how we miss her, And the loneliness of this year. I try to be brave and remember She now is free from all pain; And at the road's end, God willing, We, too, shall meet aqain.
- 43. In our home she is fondly remembered, Sweet memories cling to her name; Those who loved her in life sincerely, Still love her in death just the same.
- 44. When the shadows of night are falling And we are sitting alone There always comes a longing, dear If you could only come home.
- **45.** Her smiling way and pleasant face Are a pleasure to recall, She had a kindly word for each And died beloved by all Some day we hope to meet her Some day, we know not when To clasp her hand in the better land Never to part again.
- 46. There is a mother who misses you sadly, And finds the time long since you went; And I think of you daily and hourly, But try to be brave and content. But the tears that I shed in silence, And breathe a sigh of regret, For you were mine, and I remember, Though all the world forget.
- **47.** The depths of sorrow we cannot tell, Of the loss of one we loved so well; And while she sleeps a peaceful sleep, Her memory we shall always keep.
- 48. We do not forget her, we love her too dearly For her memory to fade from our lives like a dream; Our lips need not speak when our hearts mourn sincerely, For grief often dwells where it seldom is seen.
- 49. The unseen strings of memory's harp Are softly touched today. Thoughts of her come crowding fast And tears we cannot stay, So I shed a tear that is silent And breathe a sigh of regret, You were mine, I remember, Though all the world forget.

## Kusband or Son

- 50. His smiling way and pleasant face Are a pleasure to recall; He had a kindly word for each, And died beloved by all. Some day we hope to meet him, Some day, we know not when, To clasp his hand in the better land, Never to part again.
- 51. Nothing can ever take away The love a heart holds dear. Fond memories linger every day, Remembrance keeps him near.
- 52. The face I loved is now laid low, His loving voice is still, The hand so often clasped in mine Lies now in death's cold chill. I often sit and think of him When I am all alone; For memory is the only thing That grief can call its own.
- 53. Oh, what would I give to clasp his hand, His dear, kind face to see; To hear his voice, to see his smile, That meant so much to me. His spirit has fled, his suffering o'er, At the fireside he will join us no more.
- 54. Always so good, unselfish and kind None on this earth your equal I'll find. Honorable and true in all your ways, Loving and faithful to the end of your days, Honest and liberal, ever upright, Just in your judgment, always right; Loved by your friends and all whom you knew, One in a million, that husband was you. One year has passed, our hearts still sore, A stime rolls on we miss you more; A loving father, tender and kind, What beautiful memories you left behind.
- 55. Sunshine passes, shadows fall, Love's remembrance outlasts all, And though the years be many or few, Thev are filled with remembrance of you.
- 56. He went away without farewell He said goodbye to none But Heaven's gate was open wide And a loving voice said "Come" Beside his grave we often stand Our hearts are tired and sore But through the gloom. There comes the words; "Not dead, just gone before."
- **57.** We who loved you sadly miss you As it dawns another year In our lonely hours of thinking Thoughts of you are always near.
- **58.** The years are quickly passing Though still we can't forget For in the hearts that love him His memory lingers yet.
- **59.** Sad and sudden was the call So dearly loved by one and all His memory is as sweet today As in the hour he passed away.
- 60. You were always true and patient Through the years you struggled on And those hands that rest forever Made the home that now is gone.

- 61. Time rolls on and I am reminded Of a day my heart was crushed, When God took you, oh, so quickly, And we all in gloom were thrust, In the bloom of life death claimed you, In the prime of manhood days; But I hope some day to meet you And to be with you always.
- **62.** We have only your memory, dear boy To remember our whole life through, But the sweetness will linger forever, As we treasure the image of you.
- 63. Today recalls the memory Of a loved one gone to rest, And those who think of him today Are those who loved him best. The flowers we lay upon his grave May wither and decay, But the love for him who lies beneath Will never fade away.
- 64. As we loved you, so we miss you; In our memory you are near -Loved, remembered, longed for always, Bringing many a silent tear.

## Child

- **65.** Every hour we miss him Sadly do we feel his loss Lonely in our home without him Help us Lord, to bear the cross.
- 66. A sweet little flower, nipped in the bud, No grief or sorrow knew; Just came to earth to win our love And then to Heaven withdrew. No stain was on her little heart, Sin had not entered there; And innocence slept sweetly on That pale white brow so fair. She was too pure for this cold earth Too beautiful to stay, And so God's holy angel bore Our darling one away.
- 67. She was only a little white rosebud A sweet little flower from birth, God took her home to Heaven Before she was soiled on earth.
- 68. When we reach the heavenly garden And see her in full bloom The flower we loved so dearly And thought God plucked too soon; Oh, then we will know the reason, Tho' we know it not today, Why in her fragrant beauty God took our flower away.
- **69.** He has gone to be an angel, Secure in our Father's care, And his dear little feet now patter along The beautiful streets up there.
- 70. If only the sky could open, And his dear little face I could see, Oh, what a wonderful feeling I know would come over me. But he is with the Angels, Far from sin or pain Where Jesus said, "Believe in Me And thou shalt see him again."