

To Our Dad and Our Brother, from

Your First Born . . . Tandra

Dad . . . Our lives have been spent with too much time between us and now we are separated until eternity. We mended the space for a short period of time and those moments I will always treasure. The love I have for you, Father, will be cherished and remembered forever. So, until we meet again you will always be kept close to my heart, in spirit and in mind. I love you Dad, more than any words could ever say and I want to promise you that as long as there is a breath in my body, the legacy you built will carry on.

Your baby girl . . . Monica

God saw you getting tired and cure was not to be; so he put his arms around you and said, "Come with me." Dad, with tearful eyes, we watched you suffer and saw you fade away. Even though I loved you dearly, we could not make you stay. A golden heart stopped beating, you're now at peaceful rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us that you were worthy of his test. Although you're not here physically, you will and always have been with me in heart. I will always love you Dad and that love will keep you alive in my heart. So I'm not going to say good-bye. I'll just say, I'll see you later Dad. Rest in peace Dad, I Love You!

Brian

What's up Dad? It's hard to imagine that now when I say that, I'm not going to receive a "Hey, Bry Bry" reply. Even though I always hated that nick name, I loved when you said it, because it meant I wasn't in trouble. I feel you running through me right now, and I know you'll be there whenever I need you. So while you're up in heaven, Dad, make sure you tell God thanks for me. Tell him thanks for giving me the greatest t Dad on earth.

Blair

Dad, you are quite simply the best father I could ever have asked for. I thank God everyday of my life for giving you to me. Yet now, I suffer an inexpressible feeling of loss and sadness. I have always enjoyed our father-child relationship. You somehow found a way to raise me as both a friend, while also remaining my hero. You have proven to me that one can lead with compassion in both parenting and in life. You are a special person to so many people. You probably did not even realize the effect you had on those fortunate enough to be in your presence. My hope is that now you are in a place where you possess all the wisdom of the ages and you now understand God's plan and your place in it.

Blakely

Last week I lost my father, my best friend and my mentor. I think it caught everyone by surprise, but especially me. As you can tell by the individuals attending his funeral, my father meant a lot to many people. Not only did he touch many lives, he made sure that his family and friends were well taken care of. The legacy that you left, I will do my best with all my heart to continue what you started. Love you baby boy . . .

Tonjia, Pamela, Deborah, Twaya

Sonnie . . . It is with great sadness that we are here in Seattle, without you. It's so amazing that you survived in a house with four sisters! You were our friend, confidant, referee, mentor, companion, and best friend. You were so very, very special to each and every one of us. You've always been the center of our attention and you will live in our hearts forever. You may be gone, but never will you be forgotten. Thank you for all your loving memories and all of your support. We know that you're in Heaven now, a place where there is no pain, no hurt, or sorrow. We find comfort in knowing you're amongst love, health and happiness. Sonnie, we will not tell you good-bye because you are with us in spirit every second of the day and we know we will see you gain someday. We love you.