

Dear Family and Friends,

If you are reading this, it means that I have passed on suddenly and unexpectedly. I know that my sudden loss is a very big blow to you and our loved ones. I am so sorry that you are experiencing this sadness and that I did not have an opportunity to say goodbye. Let me start by saying that I am very grateful to you for your loving care and concern.

To: my daughter, T. & my son, G.

T., I remember your singing and performing in school plays. I remember your debutante experience. You added sunshine to my life. G., I remember when you started reading at age 3. You always were exploring and learning new skills. Remember your soccer days, you always enjoyed eating.

To: M. G.

I am sorry I was unable to attend your mother's funeral, my youngest sister, M. She would have wanted me there. I know we had conflicts and I ask your forgiveness for being so insensitive. I want to ask for your forgiveness for hurting you. I am so sorry.

To: G.

I have forgiven you for all the wrongs you have done to me and our children. You have never accepted my forgiveness but God knows my heart.

I want you to know that I was ready to put the past behind us. I also very much wanted to work to rebuild our relationship.

To: My church family

I would like to thank my church families on both coasts. It was through your prayers and persistence that I have become the person I am today. I want to thank you very much for everything you have done for me.

To: my children & my siblings

My children, you are the best children a parent could want. You put up with a lot growing up. My siblings, I may have never expressed my love growing up, but you are all loved. I want you to know that I love you very much.

To: my friends & family

Goodbye to all of you. I know that we will see each other again one day. I want you to know

that no matter how it all turns out for me at the end, I am very grateful for your loving care and concern. Even if I do or did experience pain or distress at the end, I do not want you to feel any guilt, anger, or unhappiness over it, as nothing would make me sadder than to think that you are distressed over my situation.

Thank you so much for everything you have done for me. It has been a true honor, pleasure and a privilege to have you in my life.

I truly hope you find peace, love, and joy in the years to come.

I love you very much,

Yours,
D.M.