# To the Child in my Heart

O precious, tiny, sweet little one You will always be to me So perfect, pure, and innocent Just as you were meant to be.

We dreamed of you and of your life And all that it would be We waited and longed for you to come And join our family.

We never had the chance to play, To laugh, to rock, to wiggle. We long to hold you, touch you now And listen to you giggle.

I'll always be your mother. He'll always be your dad. You will always be our child, The child that we had.

But now you're gone...but yet you're here. We sense you everywhere. You are our sorrow and our joy. There's love in every tear.

Just know our love goes deep and strong.
We'll forget you never-The child we had, but never had,
And yet will have forever.

Author: C.P.

# Angel

I've lost a child, I hear myself say, And the person I'm talking to just turns away.

> Now why did I tell them, I don't understand. It wasn't for sympathy or to get a helping hand

I just want them to know I've lost something dear I want them to know that my Child was here.

My Baby left something behind that no one can see. So, if I've upset you, I'm sorry as can be.

> You'll have to forgive me, I could not resist. I just want you to know that my child did exist.



"A parent's grief is as timeless as their love"

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"Sometimes," said Pooh,
"the smallest things take
up the most room in your
heart."

# **Creating Memories**

Acknowledging your Baby

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### Acknowledging your Baby's Life

The death of a baby before or soon after its birth is always a difficult loss. You may be the mother or father of the baby, or perhaps his or her grandparent, or brother or sister. Whatever your relationship to the baby, you are the only person who fully understands what the loss means to you, and how you feel. For many people one of the hardest parts of grieving for a baby is the lack of acknowledgement of their loss from other people. Somehow it seems hard for others to imagine that the loss of someone so tiny can cast such a big shadow. As parents, choosing a name for your baby, no matter how short his or her life was, is an important way of remembering that life in this world, and in your life. It is usually possible to have your baby with you, no matter how small, for some time before he or she is buried or cremated. If you have older children, encourage them to see the baby.







The death of a baby brings with it the loss of your hopes and dreams for that little one; the ache of empty arms and feelings of indescribable grief. Making memories to be treasured may be comforting and are a valuable way of acknowledging a precious life. There are many ways memories can be created. You may want to do things in your own way and your own time but if you need guidance and support we are here when you need us.

#### Memorial for Stillborn babies





A leaf engraved with your baby's name and a short message can be installed on the memorial for stillborn babies at Maunu Park Cemetery free of charge. This can be arranged directly through Whangarei District Council or by contacting us at Morris & Morris Funerals.

#### **Keep Sakes**

Keep the memory of your baby close to you by having their ashes enclosed in a unique glass Remembrance Sphere. This permanent commemoration has the colour of your choice at its centre, with the ashes appearing as subtle scattering of soft white powder. The beauty of the design is further enhanced by the addition of lustrous lines of dichroic glass which together with the ashes spiral upwards. The completed sphere is ground and polished at its base and a name, dates and a message can be engraved on it. Your Remembrance Sphere comes with a Certificate of Authenticity and is packaged in a presentation box. There are seven colour choices: hyacinth, emerald, cerulean, gold ruby, teal, olive and amethyst. http://www.remembranceglass.co.nz/spheres.html



A photo of baby's name written in the sand is a simple memory you can create yourself or there is a website where you can order them.



For a very special keepsake of your baby that you will always treasure, castings of their hands and feet capture all the little details such as wrinkles and fingernails. This service is available through Morris & Morris Funerals.



#### **Other Options**

Our keepsakes range from photo frames, small urns, jewellery, coloured glass spheres and touch stones which allow a small amount of ashes to be used.

Please Note: The jewellery, touch stones and glass spheres all need to be sent off site to be made.







I / We
hereby give permission for Morris & Morris Funerals, to transfer
(Name of Baby)
(Date of Birth)
into their care for the purposes of Burial / Cremation. (Please delete one)
Please indicate your wishes below: $\sqrt{}$
I / We wish to speak with a Funeral Director prior to the cremation taking place.
I / We instruct Morris & Morris Funerals to proceed with the cremation forthwith. *
*No fees are payable for the services of Morris & Morris Funerals or the Maunu Crematorium.
Signed: Parent/s – Guardian/s
Family Contact details:
Name:
Address:
Phone:

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

#### **BURIALS:**

If the burial option is chosen the parent/s - guardian/s will need to speak with a funeral director to finalise burial arrangements.

N.B: Cemetery fees may apply.