When choosing an epitaph it is important to decide the purpose of your text. Do you want the inscription to speak **about** the person you are creating the monument for? Or... Do you want the inscription to convey an important message **to** others? Deciding this prior to selecting an epitaph will help narrow down your selection as you read through our suggested options.

**COMMON EPITAPHS**

- **YET IN THIS HEART’S MOST SACRED PLACE, THOU, THOU, ALONE, SHALL DWELL FOREVER**
- **NOT LOST TO MEMORY, NOT LOST TO LOVE, BUT GONE TO OUR FATHER’S HOUSE ABOVE.**
- **STEP SOFTLY, A DREAM LIES BURIED HERE.**
- **STEP SOFTLY, AN ANGEL LIES HERE.**
- **YOUR LOVE WILL LIGHT MY WAY; YOUR MEMORY WILL EVER BE WITH ME.**
- **YOUR SMILE MAY BE LOST TO SIGHT, BUT TO YOUR MEMORY WE HOLD TIGHT.**
- **THE MEMORY OF THE PAST WILL STAY AND HALF OUR JOYS RENEW**
- **TO LIVE IN HEARTS WE LEAVE BEHIND IS NOT TO DIE**
• THE LIFE OF THE DEAD IS PLACED IN THE MEMORY OF THE LIVING

• TILL TIME SHALL EVERY GRIEF REMOVE WITH LIFE, WITH MEMORY, WITH LOVE

• BEYOND IS THE INFINITE MORNING OF A DAY WITHOUT A TOMORROW

• HIM WHO IS DEAD AND GONE, HONOR WITH REMEMBERENCE; NOT WITH TEARS

• YOUTH FADES; LOVE DROOPS; THE LEAVES OF FRIENDSHIP FALL; BUT A MOTHER’S SECRET LOVE OUTLIVES THEM ALL.

• HER CHILDREN RISE UP AND CALL HER BLESSED

• GOD GIVES US LOVE. SOMETHING TO LOVE HE LENDS US.

• GREAT LOVE LIVES ON

• LOVE IS LOVE FOREVER MORE

• THOSE WHO KNEW HIM COULD NOT HELP BUT LOVE HIM

• IN HIS WILL IS OUR PEACE

• WE WILL MEET AGAIN

• ASLEEP IN JESUS’ ARMS

• OUR LOVED ONE

• IN LOVING MEMORY

• IN MEMORY
• OUR PRECIOUS MOTHER
• BELOVED MOTHER
• BELOVED FATHER
• LOVING FATHER
• GOD, GRANT HIM ETERNAL REST
• GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN
• BLESSED ARE THE PURE OF HEART, FOR THEY WILL SEE GOD
• AN ANGEL TOUCHED HIM AND HE SLEPT
• ENTER THEE INTO THY REWARD
• THERE IS NO VISION BUT BY FAITH
• HER LIGHT SHALL SHINE BEFORE GOD
• TO LIVE WITH HIM AND SING IN ENDLESS SAY
• HER MEMORY IS BLESSED
• DEATH IS THE CROWN OF LIFE
• ALTHOUGH SHE SLEEPS, HER MEMORY LIVES ON
• A LOVING MOTHER AND FAITHFUL FRIEND
• LIFE’S DUTY FINISHED, SHE SWEETLY RESTS
• YOUR MEMORY IS DEAR TO US
• HE WAS THE SUNSHINE OF OUR HOME
• RESTING IN THE HOPE OF A GLORIOUS RESURRECTION
• BE THOU FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH, AND I WILL GIVE THEE A CROWN OF LIFE
• THERE IS NO GRIEF WHERE LOVE BLOOMS IN MEMORY’S GARDEN
• THE HOURS PART US BUT THEY BRING US TOGETHER AGAIN
• ALL THE THINGS WE LOVE AND CHERISH, LIFE OURSELVES, MUST FADE AND PERISH
• DEATH IS ONLY A SHADOW ACROSS THE PATH OF HEAVEN
• OUR LOVE GOES WITH YOU AND OUR SOULS WAIT TO JOIN YOU
• HE BUILT A MONUMENT OF LOVE IN THE HEARTS OF ALL WHO KNEW HIM
• TO LIVE IN HEARTS WE LEAVE BEHIND IS NOT TO DIE
• REST IS THING AND SWEET REMEMBERANCE OURS
• THIS GENTLE GRACE OF LOVE DEVINE IS AS SWEET AS BREATH OF AN OPENING FLOWER
• THE PATHS OF GLORY FOR THE VIRTUOUS WHEN THEY DIE
• LIFE’S RACE WELL RUN, LIFE’S WORK WELL DONE, LIFE’S VICTORY WON, NOW COMETH REST
• REST, O WEARY TRAVELER, FOR WITH THE DAWN COMETH GREAT JOY
• AN ANGEL VISITED THE GREEN EARTH AND TOOK A FLOWER AWAY
• TILL WE SHALL MEET AND NEVER PART
• BLESSED ARE THE PURE OF HEART, FOR THEY SHALL SEE GOD

• THIS IS THE PROMISE...THE LIFE EVERLASTING

• I HAVE FOUGHT THE GOOD FIGHT, I HAVE FINISHED THE COURSE, I HAVE KEPT THE FAITH

• JUST RESTING...UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

• ONLY GOD UNDERSTANDS

• I’D RATHER BE (INSERT HOBBY)

• IN CELEBRATION OF A LONG, WELL-LIVED LIFE

• IN HONOR OF A WELL-LIVED LIFE

• LIVE-LAUGH-LOVE

• FAITH-HOPE-PEACE

• YOU OUGHT TO SEE THE VIEW FROM UP HERE!

• WE LIVED LIFE TO THE FULLEST WITH NO REGRETS

• DO NOT CRY FOR ME

• I CARRY YOUR HEART WITH ME

• MAY YOU FIND SOME COMFORT HERE

• IN THE ARMS OF THE ANGELS

• EVERY MAN’S LIFE IS A PLAN OF GOD

• GONE BUT NOT FORGOTTEN
• TO LIVE IN THE HEARTS OF THOSE WE LOVE IS TO NEVER DIE

• FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

• DEATH IS ONLY A SHADOW ACROSS THE PATH TO HEAVEN

• "AFTER ALL, TO THE WELL-ORGANIZED MIND, DEATH IS BUT THE NEXT GREAT ADVENTURE." - ALBUS DUMBLEDORE

• "BUT KNOW THIS; THE ONES THAT LOVE US NEVER REALLY LEAVE US." - ALBUS DUMBLEDORE

• ALWAYS.

• UNCOMPROMISINGLY UNIQUE

• PEACE, PERFECT PEACE

• ALWAYS LOVING, ALWAYS LOVED, FOREVER MISSED

• ALWAYS LOVED, NEVER FORGOTTEN, FOREVER MISSED

• AN INSPIRATION TO ALL

• SHE WALKED IN BEAUTY

• UNTIL WE MEET AGAIN

• REMEMBERED WITH LOVE

• TIME PASSES, LOVE REMAINS

• DANCE, THEE, WHEREVER YOU MAY BE. (Sydney Carter from Lord of the Dance)
• LIFE IS NOT FOREVER, BUT LOVE IS
• THOSE WE LOVE DON'T GO AWAY, THEY WALK BESIDE US EVERYDAY
• ALWAYS IN OUR THOUGHTS, FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS
• SWEET ARE THE MEMORIES THAT NEVER FADE
• AN ANGEL ON EARTH AND AN ANGEL IN HEAVEN
• LIFE IS NOT MEASURED BY THE NUMBER OF BREATHS WE TAKE, BUT BY
  THE MOMENTS THAT TAKE OUR BREATH AWAY
• I WILL DWELL IN THE HOUSE OF THE LORD FOREVER
• THEY LOVED EACH OTHER AND TAUGHT US TO LOVE
• WHEN SOMEONE WE LOVE BECOMES A MEMORY, THEIR MEMORY
  BECOMES A TREASURE
• A LOVING MOTHER, TENDER AND KIND, WHAT A BEAUTIFUL MEMORY YOU
  LEFT BEHIND
• THE WORLD'S LOSS IS HEAVEN'S GAIN
CHILDREN’S EPITAPHS

- A LITTLE ANGEL HAS FLOWN
- NOW I LAY ME DOWN TO SLEEP
- A DARLING ON EARTH, AN ANGEL IN HEAVEN
- A LOVELY FLOWER IN THE GARDEN OF GOD
- OF SUCH IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN
- HOW SOON FADES THE TENDER FLOWER
- JESUS LOVES ME, THIS I KNOW
- SWEETLY SLEEPING
- OUR DEAR ONE
- OUR DARLING
- ONLY SLEEPING
- IN LOVING MEMORY
- GONE TO JESUS
- IN GOD WE TRUST
- FOREVER WITH THE LORD
- BUDDED ON EARTH TO BLOOM IN HEAVEN
- OURS FOR A LITTLE WHILE, WITH JESUS FOREVER
• SWEETLY SLEEPING

• ALWAYS IN OUR THOUGHTS, FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

• SWEET ARE THE MEMORIES THAT NEVER FADE

• ONLY GOD KNOWS WHY

• FOREVER IN OUR HEARTS

• GOD GIVES US LOVE. SOMETHING TO LOVE HE LENDS US.

• I'M PLAYING WITH ANGELS

• SO SMALL, SO SWEET, SO SOON

• LORD, WE GIVE YOU OUR LITTLEST ANGEL

• LET THY CHILDREN REST IN HOPE AND RISE IN GLORY

• BLESSED ARE THE PURE IN HEART, FOR THEY SHALL SEE GOD - MATT. 5:8

POPULAR VERSES

• I HAVE FOUGHT A GOOD FIGHT, I HAVE FINISHED MY COURSE, I HAVE KEPT THE FAITH. - II TIM. 1:7

• THIS IS THE PROMISE...THE LIFE EVERLASTING. - 1 JOHN 2:25

• GOD IS LOVE; AND HE THAT DWELLETH IN LOVE DWELLETH IN GOD, AND GOD IN HIM 1 JOHN 4:16
• BE THOU FAITHFUL UNTO DEATH, AND I WILL GIVE THEE A CROWN OF LIFE.
  -REV. 2:10

• BLESSED ARE THEY THAT MOURN; FOR THEY SHALL BE COMFORTED.
  -MATT. 5:4

• THE LORD IS MY SHEPHARD, I SHALL NOT WANT - PSALM 23

• I REJOICE IN THY SALVATION - 1SAMUEL 2:1

• HE THAT BELIEVETH IN THE SON HATH EVERLASTING LIFE - JOHN 3:15

• THE LORD WATCH BETWEEN ME AND THEE, WHILE WE ARE ABSENT, ONE
  FROM ANOTHER. - GENESIS 31:49

OTHER INSCRIPTION IDEAS

• DATE OF MARRIAGE

• ACCOMPLISHMENTS (I.E. GRADUATION, IMPORTANT POSITIONS, ETC.)

• PARENTS OF......

• BELOVED PARENTS OF....

• LOVING PARENTS OF...

• GRANDPARENTS OF.......
• SISTER OF ......

• HOBBIES/ACHIEVEMENTS

• FAVORITE BIBLE VERSE

• FAVORITE SAYING

• LYRICS FROM FAVORITE SONG

• POEMS