

Passing of a Beloved Pet

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In sorrow and love

I/We remember _____ (pet's name)

Our beloved _____ (type of pet: dog, cat, etc.)

Who provided [years of] companionship

And endless joy.

You were more than a pet to me/us,

Becoming a member of my/our family,

Providing consolation in times of loss,

Giving me/us laughter and delight

And a sense of well-being,

Rich with memories,

Rich in love.

The pain is deep.

The empty space,

Too wide to comprehend.

Forgive me/us, dear _____ (pet's name),

For my/our decision to remove you from

The suffering you endured.

We/I did it with deep sorrow

Placing kindness for you above

My/Our desire for more time together.] G-d of the bereaved,

Grant me/us find solace in the days ahead,

And peace of mind as time passes.

Let my/our memories of the time/years together

With _____ (pet's name)

Be an endless source of wonder

In tribute to his/her memory.

Rest in peace.