

2016 Pet Remembrance Ceremony Readings

To a Beloved Pet

~ Susie K Parkhurst

In the face of such loss, what do we do
How can we truly memorialize you
How do we find something that shows what you meant
How do we show what we felt when you went
When faced with deep grief, we humans despair
Did we do all we could, do you know how we care
You've gone on before us, and you truly know
How deeply you're loved, wherever you go
I've learned throughout life, to reflect on the good
We'll forget any strife, and know we did all we could
We'll remember our days that were happy and fun
We'll remember the times that we played in the sun
You gave us great love, and we gave it too
Unconditional love, from us and from you
We feel you around us, you're here and you're there
You're still in our hearts, you're still everywhere
You chew on your toy or you fly through the air
You hop through the door or you trot without care
Feathers or fur, cold and wet nose
Getting a bath or warming our toes
We'll remember the good times more and more every day
We'll honor your life in that special way
We'll see you again where your spirit is free
You're thriving, you're soaring, and happy to be
Ever our cuddles and snuggles and heart
Ever our baby, right from the start
Ever my pet, my companion, my friend
Ever our family, love never ends

Four Feet in Heaven

~ Alice E. Chase

Your favorite chair is vacant now ...

No eager purrs to greet me.

No softly padded paws to run
ecstatically to meet me.

No coaxing rubs

Nor plaintive cry

Will say it's time for feeding.

I've put away your bowl,
and all the things

You won't be needing;

But I will miss you little friend,

For I could never measure

The happiness you brought me,

The comfort and the pleasure.

And since God put you
here to share

In earthly joy and sorrow;

I'm sure there'll be

a place for you

in Heaven's bright tomorrow!

You'll meet me in the light

~Author Unknown

I know that you can't see me,
but trust me I'm right here.
Although I'm up in heaven,
my love for you stays near.
So often I see you crying,
many times you call my name.
I want so much to lick your face
and ease some of your pain.
I wish that I could make you see
that Heaven indeed is real.
If you could see me run and play
how much better you would feel.
But our loving God has promised me
that when the time is right,
you'll step out of the darkness and
meet me in the light.