

A Letter to You from Your Loved One

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Dear (insert your name):
I want to let you know
I am sorry
I never
I hope you know
I know it has been difficult lately, especially
Concerning this difficulty, the advice I would give you is
I remember the time we
I miss
I am so proud of you, especially
The one thing I wish I told you before I died is
I've learned
I really want you to know that
It is okay to
What I want for you is
With love, (name of loved one who died



Questions to Begin Processing "The Letter"

- 1. Was it easy of difficult to write this letter?
- 2. Do you feel the letter captured your loved one's "voice'? What was it like for you to connect with their "voice"?
- 3. Did the letter remind you of anything that you have not thought of lately?
- 4. Was there anything that was written that surprises or impacts you? What is it? How does it affect you?
- 5. Has this experience changed any way you have been thinking about your grief?