Happy 40th Birthday Joyce

This is a poem to a woman, like no other in the world A daughter, a sister, a mother, and wife, but always my little girl Growing up she was always a pleasure, a very giving child, intelligent and true We were and still are the best of friends, in almost everything we do It's not easy growing up with five brothers, and two little sisters to boot Loving and coping with a crazy dad, you never knew who he might just shoot Believe me, we've had our moments Most mothers and daughters do Yet my heart still melts, I must admit When I look at her eyes "Oh so blue" Sometimes she has a bit of a temper, And a mouth that could curl your hair But her heart is always in the right place, She is kind and forgiving, she cares She's turned out pretty damn good Facing life's challenges, meeting them head on She has a great faith and she's very strong She'll need it for life on the farm (haha) She's always been there for her family Especially for her dad and me She's done so many wonderful things There as many as the eye can see She's a struggling mother herself now Two boys and a teenage girl She runs herself ragged for them Making sure theirs is a better world She still turns heads when she walks on by Cause she's beautiful, a sexy dresser and so hip And if I'm with her at the time I say "hey do you want a towel for that drool on your lip?" No joking around I really mean it she's been the faithful one by my side Hell girl so your turning forty! Your still Tony's teen angel bride

> Love, Mom April 12, 2002