"Till We Meet Again"

It's hard watching your mother die, knowing she's taking a piece of you That makes sense for she always had the biggest piece You know one day it will happen, but you're never ready Pray God her death be a noble one, peaceful and quick Over and over you try to prepare yourself Dreading late night phone calls while praying you're there in time Time, It's what she's run out of, and you long to hold to Finally the end comes and you're grateful for the support of your siblings Yet a part of you wants this last moment alone with her Seeing their pain you snap back and overcome the feeling Mother to us all, how'd she do it and yet make each one feel special You spend a lot of time inside your head, welcoming the memories They all jump up at you at once and you embrace them Angry, you retreat to your room, daring anyone to disturb you You hit the floor crying, that's when you hear Him call, "Lazarus come out" So you think about the good times, the laughter, the love and your heart is lighter Sanity returns, your mind clears and you remember, and remember, and remember You see a little girl crying and frightened, loving arms soon come to hold her, kiss her You hear a soft lullaby sent to the Lord in prayer, one of many she'd send Her hand is holding yours, you always held it with joy, sometimes with reservation She's now walking with you on your road to Emmaus, you're lagging behind Even though you drove her crazy, ignored her advice she still walked beside you When you fell, you landed on a cushion of faith, instilled, and encouraged by her You're sorry for the times you made her cry or just shut her out, turned her off Those were the times you doubted your faith while it came through the back door Well you know you're forgiven, she forgave us all, we were life itself for her You realize saying goodbye to her, is now part of your cross, part of His crucifixion She had her crosses to carry throughout her life, she carried them all with class Now you accept the death He chose for her, in His wisdom, for His glory Goodbye Mother, mentor and friend, "Till we meet again"