

Funeral Flowers Message Suggestions:

Sending funeral flowers is an appropriate gesture to show respect for the recently departed, but expressing your sympathies to a grieving person or family is a very hard thing to do and finding the right words is incredibly difficult, almost everyone feels like the message they write sounds like a cliché verse from a sympathy card. It's impossible to make anyone feel better about losing a loved one, so don't try to do this through your message.

In reality your short message isn't going to provide much comfort to the grieving family, but it will show that you cared. This guide will provide you with some suggestions for what to write and what not to write. Before you start, think about the family of the recently departed: Are they religious? Spiritual? Who are you sending flowers to (the child of the deceased, the spouse, the parent, etc.)?

These questions will help to determine your message and prevent you from writing an inappropriate note.

How to Write a Sympathy Message that doesn't offend the reader: What Not to Say

As you are sending the card with flowers, make sure you choose the appropriate type of funeral flower arrangement.

Think about whether or not the deceased was religious and whether or not his/her family is. If the family is not religious, or even if they are, it would be best to avoid saying things like:

Everything happens for a reason
He/she is in a better place now
He/she is smiling down on us from Heaven
You'll see them again some day
God has a plan for all of us, even if we don't understand it
God will never give you more than you can handle
If the family is NOT religious, the phrases above will certainly insult them, but even if they are the phrases can still be offensive.

If the family is religious and they believe in the power of prayer, then messages of scripture and "we're praying for you" will be appreciated.

If you're worried that your message may seem too impersonal, think of a fond memory you have of the deceased and write about those experiences. Was the deceased an avid reader? If so, perhaps a line from his/her favourite novel or poem would mean a lot to those in mourning. Or maybe they were a fan of film; in that case, a well known line from a movie would be appropriate.

Importantly, remember to be sensitive. Whoever will be reading the card will be in a lot of pain, and he/she will be very emotional, so remember that sometimes things don't come across on paper as intended.

Suggestions for what to write on a Funeral Flowers Message.

Following are some samples of funeral messages to help get you started.

- ❖ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
- ❖ With deepest sympathies.

- ❖ In loving memory.
- ❖ Gone but not forgotten.
- ❖ Cherish the memories and the love you shared will never fade.
- ❖ Wishing you some small comfort in this time of sorrow.
- ❖ Hugs and prayers at this difficult time.
- ❖ To gather. To grieve. To celebrate. To praise. To mourn. To love ... To remember.
- ❖ May the love of family and friends carry you through this difficult time.
- ❖ May the memories of _____ fill your heart with so much joy that all the beauty of the world, be it the spring blossom or the winter snow, bring to mind shared moments and happy thoughts.
- ❖ There's nothing I can say that will ease your pain, but I want you to know that I am thinking of you. My deepest condolences.
- ❖ I wish I could gather the right words to ease your pain and offer you comfort.
- ❖ I can't begin to understand your loss. Please let me know if there is anything, absolutely anything, I can do.
- ❖ Our deepest sympathies during your time of loss. Please know that we are here for you.
- ❖ May you someday find peace and love despite such a heavy loss.
- ❖ May you find comfort and healing in the love of those who remember with you.
- ❖ Nothing is harder than saying good-bye to someone you love. May you find comfort in your memories.
- ❖ At a time such as this, words cannot express our feelings. Please accept these flowers and hear the words we are not able to speak.
- ❖ "They lived and laughed and loved and left. And the world will never be the same." – James Joyce

This list is just to get you started. If you want to create a more personal message, you can find inspiration in quotes about love, life and loss; Again, consider the life and interests of the departed. Lines from novels, poems and films might be the most appropriate text you could send, or take from scripture if the family is religious.