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Dear Mr. Hallmark...One More Time

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Hello there Mr. Hallmark man,
I wrote to you in May
To ask that words of love be shared
With my mom on Mother's Day.

Just as there is no card for Mom
To let her know I care,
There is no card for my dad, too,
And I have so much to share.

It's very hard for my loving dad
To know that I'm okay.
To protect me was his job, he feels,
So he thinks he failed some way.

Although I had to leave this world,
While still considered young,
There is no way he ever failed—
There's no more he could have done.

My dad he tends to question
Those things he cannot see.
I always send him little signs
To say, "Hey, Dad, it's me!"

I hear him crying in the car,
The shower hides his tears.
He feels he has to be so strong
For those he holds so dear.

My dad he often gets so mad
At what became of me.
He wants so much to understand,
He says, "How could this be?"

I somehow need to let him know,
Though impossible it seems—
For him to live and laugh again
Will fulfill so many dreams.

The card I need to send right now
To a dad as great as mine,
Will thank him for the love he gave
Throughout my brief lifetime.

He's still the one that I call Dad,
Our bond's forever strong,
'Cuz even though he can't see me,
Our love lives on and on.

Please help me find a way
To tell my dad that when
It comes his time to leave the earth
I'll be waiting there for him.

And also, Mr. Hallmark man,
Please help him to believe,
That nothing will ever change the fact
That my dad he'll always be.

