

# I'll Remember You

By Glenn Currier

## I'll remember you

when my team is on the 3 yard line looking  
to score the winning TD  
but she's in the kitchen cooking  
and has called for help from me.

## I'll remember you

when it seems every bone and muscle aches  
and the bed says: "Stay the rest of the day,"  
but her back feels like it'll break  
and I hear her moans down the hallway.

## I'll remember you

the next time I feel sad and lonely  
and full of shame about my mistakes  
and I know it is her and her only  
who could listen for all the time it takes.

## I'll remember you

when I think our marriage can't survive  
one more fight or hurt or threat  
when I think it's just not worth the drive  
or I wonder if its really worth the sweat.

## I'll remember you

in the corner of my office and oh so tired  
and stressed and think it's just too much,  
when I think romance is gone and I'm undesired  
and I wonder if I deserve her touch.

## I'll remember you

on our next anniversary and I think  
this one might be our last  
or this marriage is on the brink  
or the gap between us seems too vast.

## Jim and Ruby,

I'll remember the twinkle in your eyes  
the way you touch and listen and gaze  
and seem ready for the next surprise  
how you laugh and kid with a clever phrase.

## Jim and Ruby,

I'll remember your grace in growing old  
and your smiles when you were hurting  
I'll remember you've been pure gold  
when my bad attitude needs conversing.

## Jim and Ruby,

I'll remember the decades of children's raising  
and all the love, time, and energy required  
the moments of correction and praising  
and all the people you've inspired.

*Author's Note: This poem is dedicated to James and Ruby Ewell who have meant so much to so many of us poets who have delighted in their listening and laughing presence at our poetry gatherings. We will not say goodbye, but God speed on this, you next adventure.*

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