



The story behind the ornaments



A mother's love lives on

We asked readers to send us a picture of their favourite ornament and the story behind it. We will run a selection of them over the coming weeks.

When my dear mother, Hazel Brenda Carrington passed away, I knew my life and my Christmases would never again be the same.

One day, as I wandered halfheartedly around the mall, I spotted a heart-shaped ornament. Inside the heart hung an angel and the ornament was inscribed with the words, Mom, I will always love you.

Every year when I hang my most cherished ornament on the tree, I fondly remember my mother — my guardian angel, my fiercest protector, the one I could always count on.

Seeing that ornament on the tree makes all the wonderful Christmas memories come flooding back.

Particularly wonderful are the memories of Mom in her kitchen. I remember helping Mom make all of the delicious holiday treats — her shortbread cookies, her fruitcake and her Christmas trifle.

It has been five years since my mother has passed away but memories of her live on in my heart.

Linda V. Carrington

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