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*Remember the joy, the laughter, the smiles,*

I've only gone to rest a while.

Although my leaving causes pain and grief,  
My going has eased my hurt and given me relief.

So dry your eyes and *remember me,*

Not as I am, but as I used to be.  
Because I will remember you all

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Understand in your hearts,  
I've only gone to rest a little while.  
As long as I have the love of each of you,

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