A SONG WRITTEN FOR SHIRLEY

Fifty-Two Years of Grace

Anniversary



On Angel Island, our eyes first met
San Francisco shimmered by the bay
That first hello I won't forget
It set our hearts along one way
Your caring ways were clear to see
Your faithful love was home to me

> *Shirley, thank you for fifty-two years*
> *Through every rise and fall, you stayed near*
> *Your love has been my safest place*
> *My everything, my saving grace*

I worked where danger filled the night
At odd hours, I was far from home
You held our house with steady light
You faced that fear so much alone
For high school diplomas, you were there
Your giving heart was always near
You taught our children to grow strong
And kept us joined where we belong

> *Shirley, thank you for fifty-two years*
> *Through every rise and fall, you stayed near*
> *Your love has been my safest place*
> *My everything, my saving grace*

This anniversary, I see
The years you've held so faithfully
For all the days still yet to come
My grateful heart will lead me home

> *Shirley, thank you for fifty-two years*
> *Through every rise and fall, you stayed near*
> *Your love has been my safest place*
> *My everything, my saving grace*

Still by the water, our first hello
Is where my thankful heart will go

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