

[If you know that the person who lost the pet has a preferred translation of the Bible, I recommend using that one to cite the texts below. The translation used here is the New Revised Standard Version.]

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so.

God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Genesis 1:24-25

For every wild animal of the forest is mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.

I know all the birds of the air, and all that moves in the field is mine.

Psalms 50:10-11

The righteous know the needs of their animals...

Proverbs 12:10a

Six days do your work, but on the seventh day do not work, so that your ox and your donkey may rest...

Exodus 23:12

Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father.

Matthew 10:29

Dear God,

Thank you for the reassurance
that You know all the creatures You created

Thank you for creating *Pet Name*

Thank you for putting *him/her*
in the *Family Name* family
[or in *Owner's Name*'s care]
to bless and be blessed

Thank you for the gift
of fond memories

Thank you for the reassurance
of Your care for all the creatures You created

Thank you for caring for *Pet Name*

For knowing *his/her* need of rest

For knowing
when *he/she* falls

Merciful Creator,
we commit *Pet Name*,
Your own creature
to You.

Amen

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