

## **My mum, best friend & partner in crime**

How blessed am I to have had you.

My mum and dad had to wait quite a few years for me to arrive and I always felt totally loved and adored in our little family of mum, dad, Nana, Pauline and I.



Mum and I enjoyed a great friendship which gives me so many special memories. Our extended shopping trips, usually to M&S, were always concluded with a glass of wine and discussions of how we would hide our purchases from Dad and Kieron - not that either would have minded really. We went to Zumba classes .... Which were followed by a glass of wine ... occasionally we missed Zumba completely and just went to the pub. On special occasions we'd go to the theatre in London .... once we were very late home having been waylaid in the Savoy Hotel piano lounge chatting, laughing and drinking cocktails.

Kieron and I waited even longer than mum and dad had for me for our boys to arrive. Mum & dad supported us throughout and were overjoyed to be grandparents to 3 beautiful, little boys. I didn't know but for the first few months mum wrote a diary about how happy she was to be a grandma of her beautiful boys. I found the diary in one of her many memory boxes, here are her words:

Bangle - We were Mother and Daughter right from the start and the friendship we share is a gift from the heart.

Mum, I love you and miss you so much, sleep well.