

**A Series of Letters to Important People**

**Tamia Morgan**

## **A Letter to Kylee**

Sweet girl

You are strong

Like the waves that crash against the beach

You are worth it

Like every single breath we take

You are perfect

Like you were carved from the stars in the heavens

You are beautiful.

Like your grandmother and her mother

You are fierce

Like a lioness

You are the future.

I love you.

### **A Letter to Grandma**

There's no way to describe completely

The pain of losing you

The absence of

Your laugh

Your wisdom

Your gentle hands

Your patience

I'm learning not to be angry

About not having enough time with you

These ten years without you

Hurt just as bad as those first few minutes of knowing you were gone

I miss you.

### **A Letter to My Mother**

I forgive you.

For all of the hateful words,

For watching him hurt me over and over

For allowing me to feel alone

For making me beg for motherly love

For allowing me to watch him hurt my sisters

For blaming me for my mental illness

For ignoring the blatant abuse

I've finally realized that

He was hurting you too.

I forgive you.

### **A Letter to My Partner**

Thank you

For being patient

For being understanding

For giving me space when I need it

For being gentle

For listening

For knowing when to hold me tight

For reminding me the abuse wasn't my fault

Thank you.

### **A Letter to My Father**

You have shown me what the worst monsters are like

Some days they are kind and gentle

Others they are abusive and harsh

It was hard not knowing which version I would get every day

It was hard not being able to escape

It was hard never getting any form of apology

A parent shouldn't be a child's first bully or abuser

You had gaslighted me

It made me think I deserved it all

From the words to the bruises

You've shown me what a parent shouldn't be.

## **A Letter to Myself**

You are resilient

You are strong

You will do whatever you put your mind to

You are your own person

You are one of a kind

You didn't deserve what they put you through

You are awesome

You learned from your mistakes

You will heal

Be patient.

