



## To the Guardian of New Life:

This handmade item was made with love and with care.  
But look so very closely; a "mistake" is there. An extra stitch, a tiny twist,  
no matter how closely you look; it's something you'll surely miss.

You see, it was done on purpose to remind you of this:  
as you clean, as you cook, as you give all your love;  
some days you will feel like you can't stay above.  
You'll question, you'll wonder as you lay down to sleep,  
did I do everything I could for my baby to keep.

But momma, but daddy, but grandparent, but friend,  
something you must remember is this in the end;  
just as you searched over every little nook,  
the mistake could not be found,  
no matter how hard you looked.

When your baby is grown the same will hold true.  
They will remember the beauty and the love that is you.

The snuggles, the laughter, the hugs and the cheers;  
they will hold close all the times you comforted their tears.  
When you questioned, or worried, or doubted your skill;  
their memories will forget that, I promise they will.

So remember this guardian, though perfect you are not,  
your baby will love you with all that they've got.

-Stephanie Pokorny