

Fallen.
Drifting aimlessly
on a sea of grief and pain,
the leaf cradles a teardrop.
Offers refuge.
Embodies hope.
Just as winter awakens to spring,
our deepest sorrow harbors the seed of hope
renewed.
Hope renewed.
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The meaning of the leaf and teardrop

The leaf and teardrop image symbolizes the love and grief that families and loved ones feel when someone dies. In grief, as in nature, there are cycles and movement. As seasons change, so do feelings. There is winter and spring, sadness and hope.

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