

Memories are Lessons Learned

by Dennis Payton Knight

A frown on my mother's face. A smile on my mother's face.

My favorite memories are the lessons I have learned.

A C on a term paper, an A on a term paper. Lessons learned.

A stubbed toe, then finding my way in the dark. Lessons learned.

Missing a payment, then making the ends meet. Lessons learned.

Trials, errors and lessons learned.

Falling then rising. Lessons learned.

Wrong turns and getting there anyway. Lessons learned.

Doubt and trust. Lessons learned.

Loathing and admiration. Lessons learned.

Prejudgment and open minds. Lessons learned.

The competition of ideas. The collaboration of ideas.

Lessons learned.

Detachment and commitment. Lessons learned.

Rejection and acceptance. Lessons learned.

New relationships, lost relationships,

relationships dormant, relationships renewed.

Lessons learned.

Getting caught in a storm and dancing in the rain.

My favorite memories are the lessons I have learned.