



A COM Garden Bouquet

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THANKFUL

Valerie DeShazier

With you I can go above and beyond with no doubts
 When I call you, you are always there
 Never have you gave up on me, even when I did
 Every day I get another chance to do it right
 Again and again you are always there

Thankful is an understatement but the best statement
 Grateful indeed, one day I shall make you pleased
 Peace of mind is what you give to me
 A life of blessing just for me

A name that can be called at any time for sure
 Seeing me through the good and bad
 A father of all and the best I could ever have
 A joy to know that you are on my side
 A love that is truly one of a kind

Thankful, not the best word but the right word
 Happy to know you daily
 What a pleasure that is, favor is on me
 You never lie because your word is true indeed

You created me in love and I know this to be true
 You pick me up every time I fall
 I get up because I just have to keep going so I can please you
 I live because of you
 So what word should I use to say just how I feel?
 THANKFUL

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He Sees Me

Cathaley Nobles

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He lives in two worlds
 He's strong when strength is needed
 He's generous with his time
 He knows my weaknesses
 He accepts me as I am
 He Sees Me!

He has chosen spirituality as his blueprint for life
 He's sensitive and in tune to the needs of others
 He unselfishly shares his life experiences
 He constantly finds the good within me
 He gives me courage when I have none
 He Sees Me!

He has an inner peace at the early age of 48
 He is independent and self-assured
 He has taught me to expect more of myself
 He makes me laugh and celebrate life
 Half of his life he has been blind, and I love him
 For He Sees Me!

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