**Happy 25th Birthday**

**As you get older, you are more**

**of a gentle spirit to me.**

**When I am in your presence, your**

**grandmother I am proud to be.**

**In a world where young people over-**

**look seniors, that's not what you do.**

**Not for one moment do**

**I feel neglected by you.**

**I walk into the room and I**

**am captivated by your smile.**

**It's a smile that you've had**

**for me since you were a child.**

**You may be 25 on the outside but to me,**

**That little boy is engraved in my mind.**

**That inner child is always there,**

**each time we meet that's what I find.**

**You are not afraid to be who you**

**are, what one sees is what one gets.**

**Perfect you are not but your positive**

**attributes, those imperfections I forget.**

**25 years ago I was blessed by your birth**

**and now blessed by who you have become.**

**Happy birthday sweetie and**

**to think the best is yet to come.**

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