I am wealthy in my friends.

William Shakespeare

The Golden Chain

Friendship is a golden chain, The links are friends so dear. And like a rare and precious jewel It's treasured more each year It's clasped together firmly With a love that's deep and true. And it's rich with happy memories And fond recollections, too ... Time can't destroy its beauty For, as long as memory lives, Years can't erase the pleasure That the joy of friendship gives ... And the golden chain of friendship Is a strong and blessed tie Binding kindred hearts together As the years go passing by. Helen Steiner Rice

The language of friendship is not words but meaning.

Henry David Thoreau

A friend is a present you give yourself.

Robert Louis Stevenson

The Gift of Friendship

We give many gifts to others, But there's one we give ourselves, One that's very, very precious That no store has on its shelves... It's a gift that must be given, For it can't be bought or sold, And there's no way we could buy it, Had we all the wide world's gold! Friendship is the gift to cherish That these words are speaking of, It is ours just for the giving Of our own friendship and love!

Helen Farries