

## **Wanted: Someone Who Cares**

Who cares enough to accept me as I am  
Who does not condemn me for my shortcomings,  
Who helps me to learn my mistakes.

Who cares enough to respect me as an individual  
with the right to learn and grow at my own pace  
and in my own unique fashion.

Who will stand by to help when I need it,  
but will release me from my own guilt,  
and help me find constructive ways to deal with reality.

Who will encourage me to explore the world around me,  
Who will open my eyes to beauty and my ears to music,  
Who will listen to my questions and help me to find answers.

Who cares enough to help me achieve my full potential,  
and who has faith in my ability to develop into a worthwhile person,  
Could this someone be me?

~ Shawna Lynne Danielle Panipekeesick