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כִּיבוּד אָב וָאִם

According to the *Pele Yo'etz* (179), the primary fulfillment of the mitzvah of honoring one's parents occurs after they pass away. A person should constantly strive to bring pleasure to his parents' *neshamos* by performing *mitzvos* and learning Torah. In order to stay focused on this goal, the *Pele Yo'etz* recommends making the following declaration daily:

Insert the appropriate bracketed word(s):

יְהִי רָצוֹן מִלְפָּנֶיךָ ה' אֱלֹהֵינוּ וְאֵלֵינוּ אֲבוֹתֵינוּ
שֶׁתִּקְבַּל בְּרַחֲמִים וּבְרָצוֹן כָּל מַעֲשֵׂה הַטּוֹב אֲשֶׁר אָנִי
עוֹשֶׂה בֵּין בְּמַחְשָׁבָה בֵּין בְּדַבּוּר בֵּין בְּמַעֲשֵׂה וְיִהְיֶה
הַכֹּל לְזָכוֹת וְלִמְנוּחַת וְלַעֲלוּי נַפְשׁ רֹחַ וְנִשְׁמָה שֶׁל
[אָבִי / (אִם) אִמִּי / (אִם) חֲמוּתִי]. יְהִי רָצוֹן שֶׁתִּהְיֶה
[נַפְשׁוֹ / נַפְשָׁה / נַפְשָׁם] צְרוּרָה בְּצִרוּר הַחַיִּים.

“May it be Your will, Hashem, to accept with mercy and favor any and all good deeds that I do – in thought, speech, or deed – and that they should all be a source of merit, peace, and elevation for the soul of my [father / (and) mother / (and) father-in-law / (and) mother-in-law]. May [his/her/their] soul[s] be bound in the chain of life.”

Excerpted from *The Neshamah Should Have an Aliyah – What you can do in memory of a Departed Loved One*, p. 39.



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