

*Everyone's Getting Older!
(for Danielle)*

*Thinking about our conversation
About getting older,
Suddenly it dawns on me –
Everyone's getting older.*

*Our Mum and Dad are 50,
And just have celebrated their 20th wedding anniversary,
They don't act like fifty year-olds,
They still act young!*

*Our seventeen year-old sister will be an adult soon,
Able to drive and consume alcohol legally,
She's in a rush to grow up,
Even if she's not ready in our eyes.*

*Our baby brother towers over Dad,
He's changed so much over the last year,
Growing his hair and backchatting,
Let's hope his attitude will only aid him.*

*You and Steve have built a house,
The start of a new chapter,
Somewhere you can call your very own;
Somewhere to bring up your family.*

*Your first-born is five –
No longer little,
A schoolboy coming out with grown-up comments,
But still as gorgeous as ever.*

*Your second-born will be two this year,
You can see his personality developing,
As every week we see him achieving new things,
No longer he's a tiny baby.*

*I love watching our family grow,
As I treasure you all,
I know whatever the future brings,
We'll have each other.*