A FAMILY STORY / AN INVITATION

One story.
Time together.

For _____ With love from _____

I would love to spend some time hearing a story you choose. We could start with a photograph, a recipe or a place you remember. I will take care of the practical details below.

Something we could talk about

Or choose a different memory when we meet.

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The help I will bring

For example: bring the photos, take notes, or type a page for you to check.

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Two possible times, if either suits you

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> You choose what to talk about, what to keep and what may be shared. We can skip a question, stop, or simply enjoy a visit or call. There is no deadline to finish a book.

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KEEP THIS PAGE / FOR THE GIFT GIVER

Make your part easy to keep.

Fill this in before giving the invitation. A call, a notebook and your time can be the whole gift.

1. Check that they want this kind of gift

Ask what they would enjoy. If they do not want a project, give a finished letter or time together.

2. Choose what exists on the day you give it

For example: this invitation plus three labelled photos. A future book is not finished yet.

Gift / handover date

What I will give now

3. Name one organiser and a simple setup

Phone, visit or browser? Who brings materials or helps with setup? Give each helper one clear role.

4. Offer two times and a fallback

For a long-distance call, write the date and local time in both places. Check the conversion. If video fails, could you use an ordinary call?

5. Return one small result for review

An attributed paragraph, recipe note or labelled photo. Keep uncertain details visible.

What / in which format

Who returns it / when

6. Agree recording and sharing separately

Ask before recording. Let the storyteller correct or remove material before sharing. Write who may receive the approved version; this sheet is not permission.

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