Over the last 18 years, I have learned 4 things. 4 things I will never forget. 4 things that I will always live by. These 4 things are life lessons that cant be taught. They cant be told. They are life lessons that YOU have discovered for yourself and that YOU live by. These are the 4 life lessons I have learned, and that I live by.

**Don't let others define who you are**. The world we live in has pressure coming at you from all directions, pressure to be normal, pressure not to go down a path that is different. My question is why would anyone want to be normal? Why would anyone want to go down the same boring path? The first thing you should do when you begin your life long journey is throw away that store-bought map and begin to make your own.

Do not let the people around you judge who you are. If you make a mistake, (which I promise you, we all will.) the ones that are quick to judge are the ones you don't want to be around. The people who won't judge you are the ones you call family, the ones you love, the wise ones. Who cares what the judgemental people think, they are the ones who need to take a step back and judge themselves.

Remember the past, don't live in it. Growing up I have seen that if you live in the past you will be forgotten in the present. Why dwell on what has already happened, when you can learn from it, and push forward? Don't forget the past, the past is meant to be a place where you make mistakes, a place where you learn the lessons necessary to get where you want to go. Life is to short to focus on what has already happened.

**Live a full life.** The people who live life too the fullest are the ones who aren't forgotten. Life is exciting, so go out and explore it's potential.

These words to live by, are the words that get me out of bed in the morning. The words that inspire me to create.

The words that give me the motivation that has lead me to where I am today. These words will carry me a lifetime, for I have spent my entire life looking for.