

# Happy Mothers' Day



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choose their mothers  
from on high,  
before they're born.  
If it's true,  
and there are others  
just as caring,  
just as warm,  
pure as honey,  
sweet as clover,  
soft as spring  
they might have been...  
but if I had it  
to do over,  
gladly, I'd  
choose you again.*



Verse by Mary Campbell | Illustrations by Jessie Willcox Smith

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