

There was once a young girl who felt like she carried the weight of the world on her shoulders because she had just recently lost her mother to a terrible illness and because of poverty she had to stop school and start working to help her father and 4 other siblings. She was the youngest child but she was most determined to help her family. Her first job was as a baker's assistant and because of her eagerness to learn, she quickly knew the ins and outs of the business. By this time most of her older siblings have already started their own families and she was left to support and take care of her father until he passed away. After saving up some of the money she earned from working hard, she was able to start her own business. She also met a nice young man who encouraged her to become a businesswoman while he was working for a publishing company, they got married and everything was tremendous. She got pregnant and they were excited to have their first child but unfortunately she had a miscarriage but that did not make her lose the hope of having children. So, they did try again and they conceived and gave birth to a healthy baby boy. A year and a half after a baby girl was born. They were so occupied with everything going on, they did not even notice the time past by and 7 years after they gave birth to their third child, another baby girl was born. They both tried to provide only the best for their children so they sent them all to good schools. She knew how important education is that's why she wanted her children to have this privilege that most people in her country did not have the chance of having, including herself.

There was a major crisis in the country, there was an uprising against the President of the country which lead him have a Martial Law in the country. Many businesses faced closure including companies that were against the Government or those who exercised free speech. One of those companies was where the husband worked and was about to get promoted. He was jobless for most of the time the Martial Law was implemented in the country, he helped his wife but he was miserable and gambled a lot. The business also had problems because there was some aspects of the business that the Martial Law hindered but she managed to persevere even with problems. After the Martial Law, her business was still strong with her husband by her side. Her son just came back from working abroad, her daughter starting her own family and her second daughter, finishing up her degree. Everything seemed like it was going well, until a ghost from the past came and haunt her. She found out that her husband has a terrible illness, he passed away a few years after that. During that time, she had to become the rock for the whole family, as she is still the breadwinner. She continues to be strong and she still is as she is supporting her son because he is

currently jobless. She has a passion for cooking which she has utilized and made a small business out of and she loves to travel. She was a smart woman who accomplished more despite of the circumstances. Her hard work and determination is what made her sharp and strong.

I am so glad to be this woman's granddaughter, she raised me so just imagine how astoundingly I value education and hard work knowing how much she had to go through just to make sure we did not have to go through the same pains that she did. She always reminded me to be grateful for the small things and never take anything for granted. She has stuffed me with love and good food. She is always there to lend a helping hand to people who needs it. I think that without her I would have become a totally different person and I love the traits that I got from her. She has shaped my beliefs and has taught so much just by telling her story, she is the embodiment of a wonder woman. Everything she has educated me will be a part of my life wherever I go and I know that I am blessed enough to have learned everything I know from her and I find it as an advantage if ever I am faced with any tribulations. I can only hope to become as good as a woman and as a grandmother. She is such a great example of how women are the foundations of humanity and how we carry the torches to light the way for others.