## WAYNE COUNTY SENIOR GAMES LITERARY ARTS

## **POEM**

## WHAT IT MEANS TO BE FAMILY

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It's not a bed of roses or a smooth sailing road or sea.

It's about being there for one another because we're family.

It's not about always agreeing and seeing eye to eye.

It's about making the right choices when faced with the challenges of life.

It's about standing by one another even when one is so obviously wrong.

It's about not giving up on one another, helping the weak become strong.

It's not about condemning when you feel you've been made to feel violated and offended.

It's about forgiving and pushing past the wrong though your life has been upended.

It's about love which covers a multitude of sins, indiscretions, and unbearable heartbreak.

It's about Almighty God, the Creator of love, who will forgive each and every mistake you make.

It's about our wonderful Savior who is the epitome of love and shows it everyday. It's about our Amazing Father who sent His only Begotten Son to die for us to save us because it was the only way.

It's about the same source of blood flowing through your veins
It's because the One Who Made us and His eternal reign.
It's about embracing those who have a different flow of blood but you love the same.

It's about that core value of holding up each other up and not walking away because of hurt and shame.

It's about sharing the wisdom you've gained through all the experienced you have gone through.

It's about showing up as support because you would want the same for you. What it means to be family may take on a different look depending on the culture you're in.

But no matter the culture what's obvious to all is family means loving each other through thick and thin.