

517 Rosebriar Court
Greensboro N.C.
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Dear John and Elaine,

I was surprised and deeply saddened when Eva told me how much John's condition had deteriorated. I had been encouraged when the previous trip to the hospital had been so short. Love has gotten you through all the challenges of your life together (even Mary) and I know it will support you through the next weeks and months.

For all the years I have known you I have admired the great adventure of your life. You have been able to travel and to see so much of the world. You have always been ready to take on new things (the running, walking, trying to learn Spanish, and not being intimidated by all these new electronic contraptions) that have kept you so young and involved in life.

It has been such a joy to see the warmth and humor that was so evident in all the family gatherings that I was privileged to be part of. It was testimony to the love and common sense that nourished your children into adulthood.

John I especially want to thank you for all you and the young men of your generation undertook to give us the world we have today. You came home from the war and without a murmur, or complaint set to building a country and raising families.

If a friend with a "bum knee" can be of help, please call me. I haven't wanted to bother you until things settled down a little, but I am and will always be your friend.

Love,
Janice