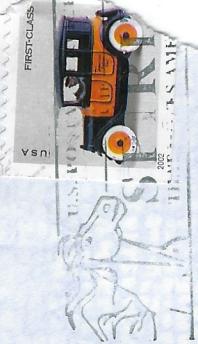


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April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2003

Hello good looking Marine,

I hope this letter finds you well.

Do you ever get sea sick? I want even ask if you get home sick for I know you do because I know how much you love home. We all miss you. Just keep on smiling and you'll make it just fine.

We stayed pretty busy this past Saturday. Jimmy & I went to Villa Rica at 10: AM for Brandon's soccer game. We left there and went to Danny's baseball game at Temple. Sat. night Brandon raced his G-Cart at Pintor, Alabama.

He came in 1<sup>st</sup> place. We were proud but I didn't tell you that they were only two in his age group. So what.

All my grand kids are #1 in my book! Brandon has his first baseball game with a live pitcher this afternoon. As you see we all stay busy and it certainly helps pass the time until you come home.

We just had a few real cold days

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We used to have frozen Saturday.  
I think its suppose to start warming  
up a little now. Try to stay cool  
there all you are probably right about  
having it made where you are  
in comparison to the guys in the  
desert. We just really pray that  
all our boys will come home safe  
and sound.

Calby had his second birthday  
Sunday March 30<sup>th</sup>. I always said  
that I wouldn't keep him but I  
sure am taking my words. If just  
couldn't do without him now. He's  
talking some now and learning so much.  
I guess being around the older kids  
make a difference.

Sandra says she believes Marcia  
will be coming home for a couple  
of weeks. Maybee she'll get to come  
by here while she's here. How is her  
dad?

Matt and Natasia are having a  
Baby Shower this coming up Saturday.

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Looks like we'll have a new addition  
to the family when you get home.  
I told Shelly she was invited to a  
Baby Shower and it was going to rain  
babies. She laughed, of course she knew  
better.

Well John, I need to end this letter for  
now. I have a check up at the doctor's  
in a little while. Just remember to  
keep your chin up, keep your faith, and  
keep your feet dry. We love you loads.

Love,  
Memma.

Tuesday 4-1-03

Hey sir Josh -

Hoping you are fine as can be -  
Watching the day + months go by +  
you will be back for a lots of happy-  
days with all of your family.

We think about you bunch of times -  
each day. Thinking about you at out-  
night time + your night time + -  
Praying for you. we know what time -  
it is over there

NASCAR is going fine, may you -  
won't miss a single race. Can't -  
tell you who is winning

When you get home I'm giving  
you all my NASCAR Program + etc -  
dating back to 1973 or later. +  
you can take care of them for -  
the future

Let us know if you get out letters  
we got another letter from you last -  
week + also your daddy + Julie  
went to Little Darry game last -  
sat + they won, today Brandon's 1st  
base ball game.

Talked to your mother last week -  
+ still hadn't talked to her -  
I must call at wrong time, but I  
leave ~~her~~ a message but she -  
hadn't called us back.

Love you very much

By Grandaddy  
Yates