**Chapter 23 – FRIENDS** (I need to update this)

We have had many friends while living in our three wards. Some are very special. **Bishop and June Moulton** will always hold a place in our hearts. They are very spiritual, humble people. They were like our second parents.

Our dearest truest friends are **Larry and Tammy Braithwaite**. Tammy is just like a sister to me, except as she has often said, we never fight like sisters do. We were together a lot, either just the two of us with our children or with our husbands or families. We ate at each other’s homes, played games, went on trips together, went camping together a lot, we had so much fun together. Either she or I would call and say “What are you doing today?” And then we would say:“Let’s take the children and go to the park, or get a sitter and go shopping, or let’s bake together today.” We had so much in common that we could talk about anything. Pat & I were always best friends, but I think Tammy & I were even closer, we really enjoyed being together.

 We were good friends with **Pete and Grace Mooney**. Pete was so much fun. He was really a character. We enjoyed getting together with them. Sometime after we moved, Pete was put in the Bishopric. We went over to the ward as they were having something special - missionary farewell or something (can’t remember for sure), anyway, we were five or so minutes late and when we walked in we saw a row in the middle isle partway up in the chapel and as we walked up there, Pete was conducting and he said “Well, if it isn’t our good friends Ken & Mae Browning and their family. Wow, you’ve got a big family now, don’t you? You take up an entire row.” Everyone chuckled. We were a little embarrassed, but that was just Pete.

 Our other goodfriends are Bob & **Pauline Hein, and John and Linda Willerton**. When we were in the Mount Fort Ward, we got together in the Young Marrieds Program and had a lot of fun together. Since we enjoyed each other’s company, we started going to the temple together, getting together for family home evenings and eating at each other’s homes. John & Linda moved into a home in Syracuse. Bob & Pauline bought a home in Salt Lake, we moved to Clearfield and Larry & Tammy to Liberty. We still get together once or twice a month at each other’s homes for family night and Sunday dinners. Now Larry & Tammy & Ken & I have moved to Arizona, but we write to the others and hope to get together with them occasionally. We have been fortunate to have wonderful friends. I am also thankful for my wonderful brothers and sister, and my wonderful sisters-in-law. Jean and I have been very close and I miss not being able to get together like we used to, but we write and get together whenever Ken and I get up.

**Bishop and Shirley Murdock** will always be good friends. Ken loved being Kent’s counselor. I write to **Ione & Carolyn, who were my counselors when I was Primary President in Clearfield and we go out for lunch when we are living close by. RaNae** and I call or get together when we can also. I think a lot of them, they are great friends. RaNae & Richard are the second couple from the left – next to Bishop & Shirley.

