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Deb,

I talked to Mom a couple days after Mary died and she was still choked up. I don't have any addresses for Shimer kids. I wish we had their e-mail addresses.

I have been reading up on the Everglades. Amy sent me a couple of books for my birthday. One is thin and mostly pictures. I've finished that one. The other is a book first published in 1947 called "River of Grass". The woman who wrote it died in 1998 at the age of 108.

We are going to be there during the dry season. I hope they've had more precipitation than usual. Do you know where we can arrange guided tours? Will there be opportunity to snorkle? We probably should have a good field guide to Florida birds. Should we wait and buy one at the shop in the National Park?

Steve