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Deb,

We've been busy with home improvements. Our carpet in the dining room was stained, so we ripped out the carpet in the dining room, living room, hall and stairs, ripped out the linoleum in the tiny kitchen, and put wood-look laminate in kitchen and dining room, new carpet elsewhere. And re-painted all the walls and woodwork. I like it. The bathroom and master bedroom need to be re-done, too, but we haven't figured out what we want to do there yet.

We also have a lot of work to do in the back yard. We had railroad tie steps down an incline, also as borders around flower beds and bushes. They were rotten, so we hauled them all away. Now we have to replace the steps. We'd like to use "outcropping" big slabs of stone - but they are expensive.

Did I tell you Amy lost her job? It has been about a month. She also has been having trouble sleeping.

I will continue working until we can no longer stand each other. They just put up 4 more of my photos. I took several of a sunset on the beach at Ludington last summer, with orange reflection on the water and sand. They framed 4 of them nicely and diplayed them together. They look great - lots of color.

Steve