

221 Locust St.  
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Dear Nancy,

I would hate to have to spend too much time with that group. If anyone asks who that is in that picture and I have to answer I am going to insist that is one of my sisters. I am so glad you sent it as it is such a gem. Before I forget to give it to you Lois' address is 7423 Kingsway Drive, Ft. Wayne 46819. Elva is still in South Haven. Did you ever get the word that her foot was broken? She stayed with Lois until the middle of October. Had to shove her moving date up until Dec. 1. I was down in South Haven the week of the 24th. I tried to help her as much as I could but haven't heard from her since. She had to go back to Ft. Wayne for a checkup on the 13th I think and when I called Eleanore the other night she wasn't home yet. Eleanore did say things were going pretty well. Elva's G'daughter came and took some of the stuff. I think the move is the weekend of the 27th and 28th. I know she is not terribly excited about the move but has decided it is the best thing for her.

I feel that the trip to N. Carolina was a very special time for all of us. I don't know how it could have been more fun and more special. I have laughed and told the "insulin reaction" story many times. It is always funnier for those who understand insulin reactions and don't take life too terribly serious. I spent an extra day with Bob & June and they were still reeling from the excitement of all of it. I was especially thankful to have that time alone with you. I may have kept you up talking but someone in our room put that coffee pot awfully early in the morning. I took Elva and went out to the farm. Didn't get to see Mitch but did see Pat. Those apartments are great. Pat's parents were partly moved in. Pat was raking leaves and she said Mitch spends all his time working on the apartments. I have been busy as can be since the first of September. Nina and Bill came for two weeks right after I got back and then Bob and June were here for four or five days. Bob will tell you he slept in the closet. Not true but they did have to climb over the end to get in bed. We had a real good time. Bill junior came for a weekend with his wife so on the last Saturday night we had a Thanksgiving dinner out at Fays with most of the

food being fixed here. It seems like we were cooking for washing dishes all the time. Faye had made so much progress with her place that I am sure both Nina and Bill were much encouraged.

I have been very busy at church. I am going to stay here for Thanksgiving but have several invitations. Bob, no not Bob, Jim wanted me to come to Columbia but decided against it for now.

I found myself with a red hot bladder infection. Have been in treatment and now have it taken care of. Never had one before so didn't know what was happening to me.

I continue to read a lot. I can recommend a couple of books that I think you would enjoy. The author is Barbara Kingsolver and the books are Animal Dreams and the Bean Tree.

I planned on writing you around Christmas but when you needed the address I decided to take a quick few minutes today so MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Love

G. Shirley

Say Hi' to Margaret.

While in S.H. all of us sisters, Susie, Stephanie, Laura, Betsey & Christer with her Ashley came too. I called her and told her we wanted to see her & baby. Laura had Jamie & Mark & Susie brought Heather's Laree. It was fun and wild. We did it at Jamie's.