

March 12, 1994

Saturday the 12th

Dear Nancy,

I figure you are home from your jaunt to Florida by now. I hope you had a good time and the weather didn't appear to be too bad. Nina will be 81 tomorrow and I don't like having sisters that old. Everything is relative you know.

Having a daughter the same age ought to let Elva remember how old you are. I never have any problem with you and Lois as I was fifteen when you were born. Jack dropped right out of the sky as far as I was concerned and couldn't understand why Nina wasn't more surprised when we ran upstairs to tell her about his arrival.

I have been going to a clinic in G. Rapids where a friend of mine has had some answers to some long standing health problems. Well, I had the Eliza/Act blood test and have discovered that my throid is low, that I reacted strongly to all dairy products and nightshades, and have a condition called can "Candida". Means I can't have any ice cream or beer this summer. The docotr is a very attractive young women and I am really impressed with her. She has given me stuff to take as well as vitamins and supplements and I go back in a month. If it helps my legs it will all be worth it even if I have to live on rice cakes.

I would like to come spend some time but I am still working. I would like to quit tomorrow but with an interim minister I hate to leave the church short. I will not work thru another winter and expect to work a relaxed schedule this next summer. Maybe next year sometime. We had a good time in N. Carolina.

By the way - we have had a blow to the family reputation. Laura's David, a kindergartner, got kicked off the bus for fighting. I don't know when I have laughed so. He is such a little guy and continued to sit with a boy from his own neighborhood that he didn't like. They both got kicked off for two weeks and his actaivities have been curbed at home.

Will stop now and havean exciting meal of a chicken leg, broccoli, and spinach. No butter or dressing on anything.

love

Shirley

Were you in the snow storm?