

June 8, 1988, 11:10 a.m.

Dear Shirley--

According to what I wrote on the calendar you got home from the Carolinas yesterday and now you have to start doing and planning other things. I sort of envy you the activity--but any shopping that might be necessary.

I look forward to hearing all the things about your vacation and I hope we will have enough time together this year that I will not come home feeling frustrated as I often do.

I will leave here on the 29th getting to the Grand Rapids airport:

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I hope someone is there to meet me but I warn you that if you or Faye can't be there I shall manage to get to Big Rapids some way and my mood will be better if someone is there to welcome me. (How do you like that for making people feel good about a visitor?)

I shall also write to the Moodys today although I think I have already told them the day of my arrival.

I plan to stay in B.R. until we go to the reunion and then stay in South Haven until the 11th. Bill and I plan to drive up later in the summer but no time has been set for that yet.

Bill got back Monday from a three day visit to Phoenix with his family. He insists that three days is all he ever wants to stay in spite of Mitzi urging him to stay longer. If we drive it takes two days to get there. Maybe he believes in the theory 'that fish and house guests stink after three days.'

Things go on as usual here in the summer time. Bill waters and cuts the grass, I check on my flowers etc. every day, he planted the tomatoes but I am doing the harvesting--we have been eating them for about a week. While he was gone I had the air-conditioning off but we stay in the house with it on the rest of the time from now until September, or later.

Billy is working in a hospital about 170 miles from here so he has only been home twice, once for three days--Memorial weekend. He will be here on the 25th and then probably once in August. He goes back to Santa Fe the last week of August. This year he is working with retarded adults--a new experience for him.

Our local political season is over so I am back to reading Hedrick Smith's 'The Power Game' (about national government). It is well written but I am not sure I like knowing how things are done there.

See you soon.

Love,  
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