

Nov 18, 1965

Dear Mom & Joe

I received your letter of the 5th to day  
I did not receive Aunt Martha's package  
as of yet, don't worry about it the mail  
is slow on packages at this time of the  
year. I received a letter from Judy  
and she told me all about Aunt Daisy  
and Uncle Tommies trip down there  
I know Judy must of drove Daisy crazy  
with her driving I was glad to hear  
that the kids were allright.

Well mom as far as mass  
goes we have the chaplins come out to  
the village once a week for church  
services. I have not received a letter  
from Rich in a long time so I don't  
know what he is doing I hope he is  
in good health and still has the  
desk job in Ha Co. I dont want to  
worry about him

Now I have not received  
orders as of yet but I am pretty  
sure of leaving her in December

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It will be good to be home. so  
I can sit around all day and watch  
T.V. to all ours of the night HA HA

I did lose a lot of weight in this  
place.

Now how is Eddie is he still going  
to school or is he getting drafted or  
what? his best bet is to stay in school  
as long as he can.

I will really miss some of the people  
in this village I know about every one  
in the village by now and that is  
saying something for a village of about  
4,500 people All the kids call me by  
my name and most of the older people  
do, they have had two or three big  
dinners for us in the village.

Now I eat better with chop  
sticks than with a fork now HA  
and I really can eat anything now HA

We have had a few more  
battles with the V.C. in our area  
but we are getting smarter than them  
because we have been killing them

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and they hasn't hurt us for a long time now.

This is about the most terrible some area for the Bn. though.

The other night we had a news paper man with us and we were instructed to stay in security this night so there was not supposed to be any action. Well the V.C. did not get the word because they were probing our village lines, about midnight the firing was pretty heavy so I went out to check positions and this news man said you not leaving me alone in this place. I told him that he could come with me if he wanted to but I was going in the direction of the firing well he did not want to do that. I returned to the village & about a hour later and he was in a fox hole and would not come out till the firing stopped well it stopped about 01:30 and he came out then. When he left in the morning he told me

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I could have this place, and he was never coming back and, he did not know why his paper sent him here in the first place, but he was never coming back if he could help it

You may had to see this guy often and see how funny he looked

We ~~went~~ into a fit HA HA HA

Well mom that's about it  
for now tell all the folks back home  
I was asking for them also till aunt  
Milly thinks for the package, but  
haven't received it as of yet will write  
and and tell her when I do

Tell Joe & I was asking for  
him, P.S. I know he well need this before  
you

Your loving son  
Jackie

P.S. I don't know how this letter  
looks I wrote it under the stub  
of a candle