

For
the Best
Father
Ever.... *(my Daddy)*

What Is a Father?

A father is someone
who's always around
When you're looking
for friendly advice,
A father is someone
who knows how you feel
And who'll help you
without thinking twice...

We hope you will enjoy the
memories in this book! We
can add more as they may
arrive late! Love ya!

A father is someone
so thoughtful and kind,
He's made his own place
in your heart—
A father is someone
you wish all life's best
With the love that's been his
from the start!

Always know.....

You have a very special place
That no one else could fill
In the hearts of those
who love you—
And you know
you always will!

Happy Birthday

Love,
Ben and Lea Mae

To My

DADDY

on his

80th

Birthday

November 15, 1991

"Of all the music that reaches
farthest into heaven, it is
the beating of loving hearts."

Henry Ward Beecher

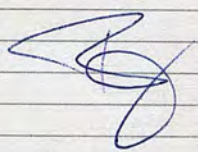
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Fred's 80th B!

Dearest Gram and Gramps,

Well, Grandpa, this is late but it's for your 80th birthday scrapbook. I hope to bring the kids' ~~xwx~~ pieces with me when I come to Salt Lake this weekend, but wanted to get this in the mail now that it has finally "dawned" upon me what I wanted to say.

Everything is going well here and I love you very much. I have so much studying to do this week and just being here is a full-time job, without a career, so I'd better get going. We are very happy, oh, I just couldn't tell you. And working very hard.

Love always,



Dear Great Grandpa
Claudfelter and Grandma
Claudfelter I miss you
a lot. Is it still snowing
in Utah? I'm having fun
in Cub Scouts and school.
I have part of my
Bobcat. It's getting sunny
in Texas. It's mostly be
rainy in Texas too. Our
house is full with ants.
Are you having fun in
Utah. Well I hope you
like my letter? By!

From Nathan Cloward

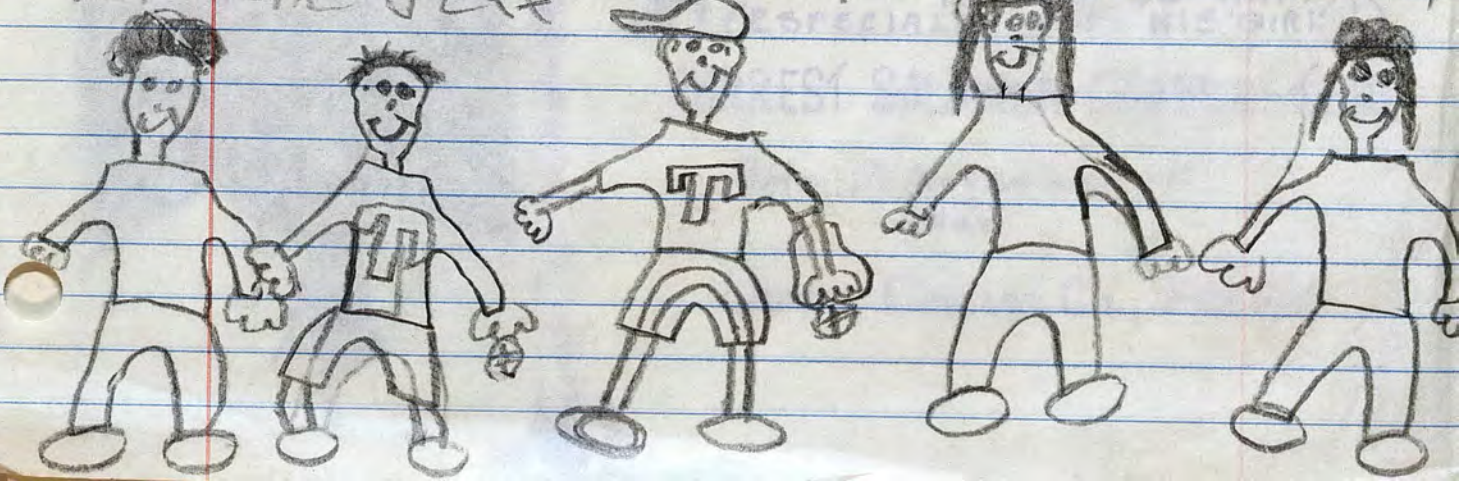
Happy 80th Birthday
Grampa.

Mikelle Jeff

Nathan

Marinne

Emily



THE STARS

Daddy's parents,
Udall, Kansas
Killed in a tornado
May 25, 1955



A SERIOUS YOUNG MAN

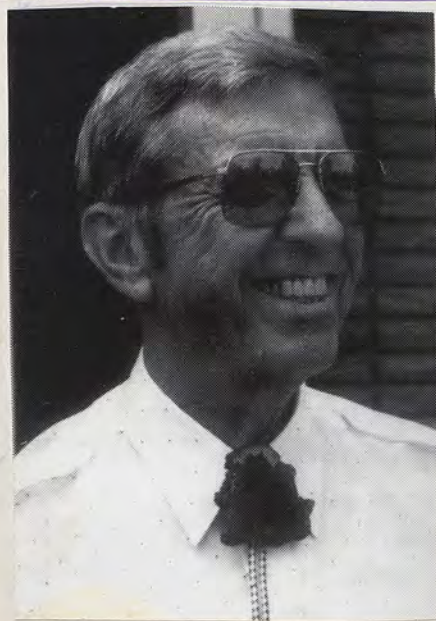


STILL SERIOUS, BUT HE KNOWS
HOW TO BE HAPPY
(ESPECIALLY WITH HIS 'GIRL'!)

FORREST SOLOMON CLODFELTER

Born 15 November, 1911
near

UDALL, COWLEY Co., KANSAS



#5 30242107 CR-1211

The year before the famous
event of Daddy's birth, his
parents show here in Gore
Township, Sumner Co., Kansas

All the children except "the baby"
are already born by this census.
Dad & Mary own their farm, but
it is mortgaged. They have had
four children, but only these 3
are still living.

1910 Census, Palestine Twp., Sumner Co., Kansas
(Relatives highlighted)

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SEVENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1910-POPULATION

SUPERVISOR'S DISTRICT NO. 8
 EXAMINER DISTRICT NO. 158

WARD OF CITY
 Thorton, C. Coulter

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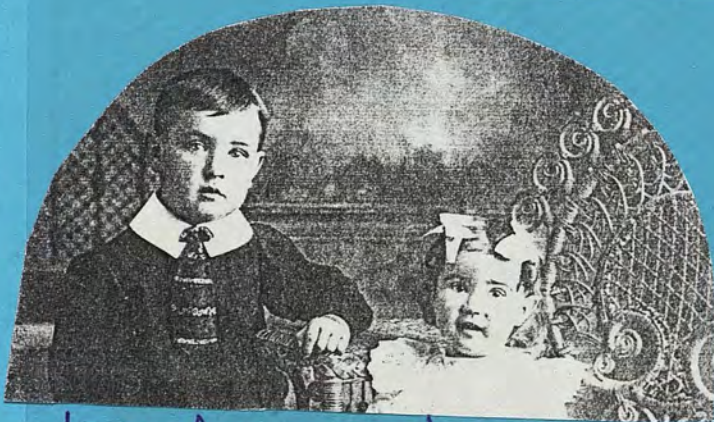
The Originators



BELOVED PARENTS
ORA SOLOMON GODFELTER + MARY ELLA CONE



SIBLINGS



LESLIE AUGUSTUS VERNA SALOME

ALMEDA CONE

Greetings From:



Forrest,

When I was asked by your daughter to express my thoughts and feelings about you these past 6 1/2 years, I thought to myself -- where do I begin? As there is so much I want to say and I don't know where to begin.

From the very beginning, after I married Leslie and became part of the family it was just as if I had known you all my life. You were just like a brother to me; you showed me love, respect and kindness, and you stood for everything that I believed in - your love for God, your family and my children. I shall always treasure the talks we had and the comfort you gave in my time of need. That is something that will never be forgotten. Last of all, my love for your wife is equal in my feelings. So, God keep both of you in good health and give His richest blessings, that you are so deserving of. Have a long and happy life. I love you.

God Bless you

Leslie & Murray

Greetings From:

Dec. 12 - 1991

Happy Birthday (80th)

Dearest "Baby Brother" — I guess the reason I always like to call you that is because I can remember the joy I had laying on the bed in Mam's bedroom, with you sitting on my tummy, leaning back on my knees — bouncing up and down to make you laugh as you took a "horse ride"

Sometimes you would even go to sleep — other times we just enjoyed the fun of it all.

And as we grew up, it seems we were always Chums — even til we used to go places in my "ferst in the county" new model A Ford Roadster.

And in adult life you were always there to help, and enjoy so much of life in visiting the beauties of God, in traveling over the west of our great country — your help and visits since my Beloved has gone ahead to Heaven.

How thankful we can be for the Beloved Parents God gave us, who taught us of His love and blessed care that has followed us thru these many years.

May His love continue to direct us all til He calls us to be with them — and Him.

All my Love,
your Sister,
Verna.



Oldest Sister, Verna



Youngest Sister, Almeda

Dear Forrest,

Happy Birthday! And congratulations!! you have reached the age of dignity!!!

I have so many happy memories of our childhood together, that I find it difficult to choose what to write.

Remember how we always threatened to "tell mama", but we never did it. I think we were pretty protective of each other.

Remember when we moved to Winfield after living out on the farm all our early lives? We probably seemed to be "greenhorns" to the other kids in school! But we had retired country folks for our closest neighbors, so we felt comfortable in our home on 15th Street.

Remember the 6 black walks to Junior High and High School: we ran down + up the steps at each alley - steps necessary because Bliss Street was so deep. I always enjoyed the house on 15th St. - it seemed so civilized, Ha!

Remember the big house that the folks rented on College Street, up by Southwestern College, where mama furnished room-and-board to a couple of college students - brother + sister from western Kansas.

such beautiful scenery at other times.

We're so glad all four of us brothers + sisters were able to be together at Leslie's in

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I can't remember their names, but they were good people.

Remember Mr. Hooker? The elderly gentleman on 9th Street (by the railroad) who mama "made a home" for, cooking, washing, ironing and everything he needed help with.

Daddy was usually working at the farm and orchard during the week while mama was doing these things in Winfield; he drove back home over the week-ends. Oh, yes! When we first moved to Winfield, he worked as janitor at the high-school for a few years. And did house-painting with Mr. Davis. Always accomplished many things with a left hand + a "hook"!!

We were living on 15th again when I graduated from high-school. And then Pat + I married there.

Remember when you + Edythe Mae lived in our two front rooms on the farm? you probably remember more about that than I do, because I was usually so tired that I'm not sure that I was alert part of the time. Ha!

We enjoyed the time we came to visit you when our kids were all still at home. And other times we were out there + you showed us

California. Lots of good memories when we have been together!

Again, Happy Birthday, and many more.

Love,
Almeda and Pat

Greetings From:

Greetings From:



Dear Forrest -

After a frantic call this morning from a very special niece I will hurriedly write these few lines. Memories! They are many from the first time we met you to now. How much fun we have had! Riding all over Colorado in the Pick up - a sprained ankle - cactus - rain. That trip alone was filled with enough memories for a lifetime. How many other trips have we enjoyed before and after that,

But it hasn't been all trips or all fun. Advice, comfort, and you and my sis always being there has been part of the memories. Always calling upon you and knowing you will help means a lot and has meant a lot down through the years. We've had sadness - sometimes we've even gotten mad - But it all makes for a great life and great memories.

You and Mae are special in our lives. We're glad we've had you as long as we have. May the memories continue and I'm sure today will be making memories for you.

Have a Big day. Lots of love to you - and yours - down to the youngest great grand child. No specific memories - just saying Mart will bring memories galore

Just Mart & Ted

Sister-in-Law, Martha

Greetings From:



8 1/2 mos.



3 yrs.



2 yrs.




HIGH SCHOOL DAYS



Daughter, Rea Mae

Greetings From:

swissôtel 

12-10-91

SEOUL
THE SWISS GRAND HOTEL

I FIRST MET F.S. CLODFELTER AT A CHRISTIAN CHURCH CONFERENCE ON GRAND MESA, EAST OF GRAND JUNCTION, COLO. I DON'T REMEMBER MUCH ABOUT HIM AT THAT TIME AS I WAS SO IMPRESSED BY HIS 10 YEAR OLD DAUGHTER, AND THOUGHT HIS WIFE ONE OF THE PRETTIEST WOMAN I'D EVER SEEN; AND I HAD BEEN AROUND A LOT AS I WAS ALREADY 12 YEARS OLD.

THOUGH DAD, AND I WERE BOTH ~~FATHER~~ SOMEWHAT HOT HEADED IN THOSE DAYS WE GOT ALONG QUITE WELL. I REMEMBER HIM JACKING UP ONE REAR WHEEL AND BLOCKING IT SO THE TIRE WAS CLEAR OF THE GROUND ONE TIME JUST TO SEE HOW LONG IT WOULD TAKE ME TO FIGURE OUT THE PROBLEM. MY FIRST THOUGHT WAS I'D BROKEN AN ~~AXLE~~ AXLE. HE WILL NEVER LET MOM OR I FORGET THE TIME THE POLICE BROUGHT US HOME AND HE PULLED MY 1942 HUDSON OUT OF A MUDHOLE SOUTH OF THE NEW, AT THAT TIME, VETERANS HOSPITAL. ALL 4 WHEELS WERE BURIED TO THE AXELS, IN FACT THE FOLKS HAVE RESCUED US MANY TIMES. AT LEAST ONCE THEY CAME ~~ALONG~~ TO DURANGO TO PICK US UP WHEN OUR CAR HAD BROKEN DOWN COMING HOME FROM TEXAS. THEY HAVE HELPED US OUT NUMEROUS TIMES FINANCIALLY.

I RESPECT DAD VERY MUCH FOR HIS DEPENDABILITY, AND EXAMPLE. HE WAS A GREAT INFLUENCE IN MY LIFE WHILE I WAS HAVING PROBLEMS. I APPRECIATED HIS UNDERSTANDING, PATIENCE AND BACKING EVEN WHILE, I'M SURE, HE WOULD HAVE LIKED TO TURN ME OVER HIS KNEE.

MOM AND I BOTH ARE SO HAPPY THAT B-PA AND B-MA HAVE MOVED OVER HERE WHERE WE CAN BE TOGETHER MORE OFTEN, I, FOR ONE, HAVE AS MUCH LOVE FOR THEM AS FOR MY OWN PARENTS.

CONGRATULATIONS DAD ON YOUR 80TH! I'LL BE FOREVER GRATEFUL TO YOU FOR BEING SUCH A GOOD FATHER TO YOUR DAUGHTER AND MY SWEETHEART.

MY LOVE FOR YOU AND YOUR SWEET WIFE IS ETERNAL

Love
Ben



HIGH SCHOOL DAYS



Son-in-Law, Ben

Greetings From:

Grandpa

"Collar - Fella"

He's great with a riddle,
Gives priceless advice;
Done well with his money
Can sniff a good price.

He's fun to converse with,
He's quick in the head.
Knows more 'bout this world
Than he's ever said.

I've kept him in mind
As I've developed and grown;
He's been an example
I'm glad to have known.

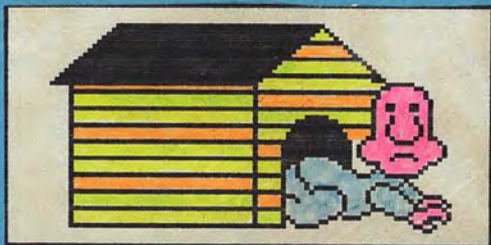
But one thing's been lackin'
For years end-on-end:
Can't remember that joke
'Bout how much to spend:

"If a dog and a dollar
Could be bought for a dime,
How much would it take
To make it a rhyme?"

Wait, let me see,
Is that how it goes?
I've heard it for years -
You'd think I'd still knows.

Maybe its more like this:

"If you added a dime
To a crisp and clean dollar,
Would it be quite enough
To make your dog foller?"



Can't think now for sure -
I know I'll remember.
Just give me a chance
Ta return from my slumber...

"How many thin dimes
Are found in a dollar?
I surely don't know -
Go ask that dog in a collar!"

Now, that's more like it:
I knew it'd come back.
But something's not quite right,
It's just a bit off-track.

"If a dog and a collar
Cost a dime and a dollar,
And the dog cost twice as much as the
collar,
How much did the collar cost?"

I think that's got it,
But can't tell quite for sure
'Cause as often as he told it
I never learned the answer!

- Grandson Glenn

Grandson, Glenn

Greetings From:

Happy Eightieth Birthday
Grandpa Clodfelter

Dec 1, 91
Hi Grandpa!
Hi Grandma! How are ya doing?
I wish I could be there with
you guys to celebrate your birthday!
I hope you had a nice birthday!
Did you guys have a Birthday
party? If you did I hope you
had a really nice time! Today me
Jamie, Alison, and Tara put up
all the Christmas decorations as a
suprise for Mom and Dad!
Love ya lots! Got to go By!

X O X O X O X X O X O X O X

Love Cami

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Great-Granddaughter, Cami

Greetings From:

To: Grandpa Clodfelter

We miss you alot and hope to see you soon.

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80 Happy 80th 80
80 Birthday! 80 80
80 80 love: 80 80
80 Taralyn Whicker 80



this is you



Great-Granddaughter, Tara

Greetings From:

To grandpa Cladfelter



I
love
you

Happy 80th
 Birthday grandpa love from
 Jamiann

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Great-Granddaughter, Jami

Greetings From:



Great-Granddaughter, Alison

Greetings From:



Grandaughter, Rea Jo

Greetings From:

THE TOUCH OF LOVE

(Song written by Chuck for his grandparents)

A world so young and tender
Was meant for only the two of them;
But time has brought them,
And the years have taught them
THE TOUCH OF LOVE.



Their hands have toiled in service,
Caressed to comfort and warm;
And many have sought them
Because the years have taught them
THE TOUCH OF LOVE.

And now we, their children,
Will honor their name;
We'll show them that their years of labor
Haven't been in vain!

We will love as they've loved
We'll live as they've lived
And seek the blessings of heaven
That are theirs...

Two lives so well worth living
Were meant to be joined into one
It was love that first caught them,
But time that brought them
THE TOUCH OF LOVE

And now their eyes are filled with wisdom
Their smiles are a strength for the weak.
Their time has taught us
And their years have brought us
THE TOUCH OF LOVE!

And now we, their children,
Will honor their name;
We'll show them that their years of labor
Haven't been in vain.
We will love as they've loved,
We'll live as they've lived
And seek the blessings of heaven
That are theirs!
We will seek THE TOUCH OF LOVE!

Grandson, Chuck



Greetings From:

I am very proud of my Grandpa C. The number one reason, I think, is the way he has always treated Grandma. He has always been such a gentleman and treated her with so much love and respect that I was able to notice at a very young age and the example so fine that it made me want to be like that with my wife. The fact that I have not lived up to that desire should not reflect on him, because he really has been a good influence in that respect.

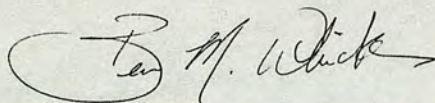
Maybe it is the same character traits that have caused him to give a life of service to his fellow man as well. Strangers as well as friends and family have gained by his willingness not only to give of his time and effort, but also, as we all know, he would give the shirt off his back to anyone in need.

He has been so willing to go anywhere and do anything for his little girl, my mom, that he impresses me as one of the all time great fathers as well. Along with that of course, he is a fantastic grandfather! Even a GREAT Grandfather! He has always taken such an active role in our development that all can tell he cares and loves us a lot.

It is his great love for others that I love best about him. I think that because he has set such a strong example in this respect that he has had a strong influence in the development of my desire to work only in those fields that I am able to serve others.

I am proud of his many other great character traits also. I respect his intelligence, his wit, and am proud to say that he is the best looking 80 year old in the whole world but it is his love and respect for others, his "Golden Rule" life that I respect the most because I think that is the most important thing in life. If we all lived the Golden Rule there would be no crime, no sin, no injustice we could commit.

From the Benjamin M. Whicker family, we love you with all our hearts and hope you stay with us always.



Grandson, Ben

12-9-91

Grandpa Clodfelter

What an honor to be able to express to you, my feelings for you.

I just plain think your the best, and love you with all my heart. I am very thankful that you were an influence on my life! I do want you to know though, that at first I was real nervous to be around you. Did you ever know you were a scary kind of guy? Well you arent, just at first. I just didn't want to do anything wrong around you or say anything that might not meet your high standards. So, I was just nervous! But then, as time passed (a short time) I realized the kind of guy you really were. Perfect! Everyone loved you and you gave so much love to everyone. I realized your whole life, then, now and in the future is devoted to giving your all to others. Then I realized that's why you are always so happy and looking for the good in everything. Thanks for your excellent example and your forgiving heart.

I was so glad we were able to come to church with you on easter and was able to hear you sing, that gave me goose bumps all over. (You have a great voice) I'm real thankful you



and Grandma sacrificed your stompin' grounds to pack up and move to Utah to be closer to all of us. We have truly been blessed because of your move. Thanks! It's fun to see you around all the time! I was in Bountiful on the bus the other day and saw you driving around in your car and it made me happy!

I'm so impressed that you, are really 80! I don't believe it! (I want to see your birth certificate!) You are doing so wonderful. I'm real thankful for that and I hope you can carry on as long as you may.

I sure do love you Grandpa, and I love that wife of yours too. I think the two of you together is the real reason your both doing so good. Love works miracles &

Love ya
Connie

Grand-
Daughter,
Connie

Greetings From:

Dear Grandpa Cholfetter

I love you & am glad you
my GRANDPA.

Some things I like about you
are all your riddles, your voice, your love
for everyone around, and many other
characteristics.

Grandpa I love you, you the BEST

Love

Cody Whicker



Great-Grandson, Cody

Greetings From:



Dear GRANDMA C.!

Here ARE SOME THINGS THAT I REMEMBER
ABOUT U. I REMEMBER THAT U ALWAYS ASKED ME BRAIN
TEASERS. U ARE ALWAYS HAPPY. U ARE SO FUN TO BE WITH & U
ARE FUNNY & ALWAYS CHEERFUL. U NEVER DO ANYTHING WRONG & I
ALWAYS THINK OF U.

Love -
Benji Whicker

Great-Grandson, Benji

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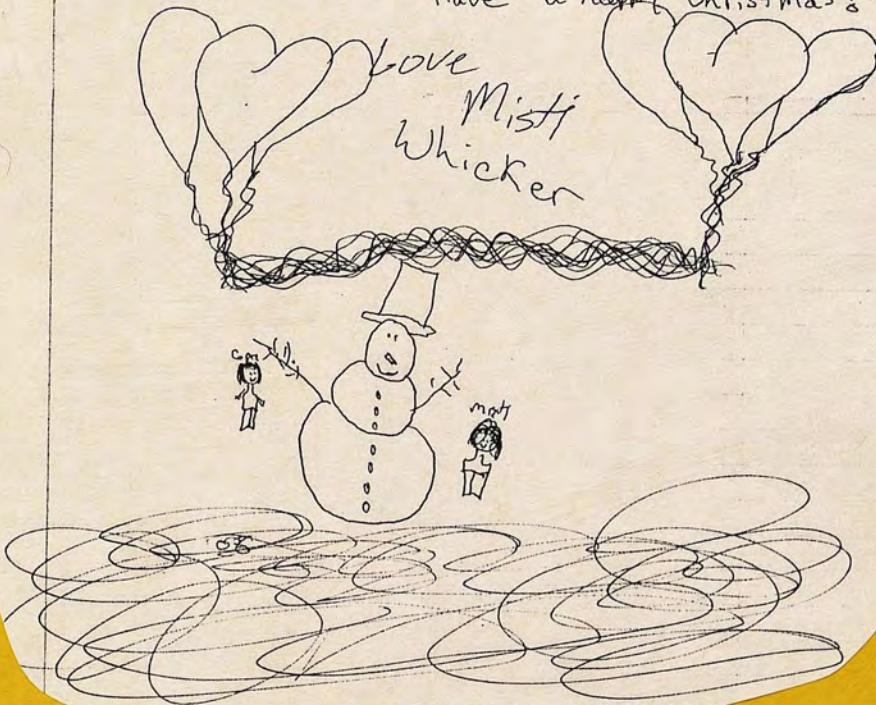


Dear Grandpa Clodfelters,

I think you are a great, great, Grandpa
I like to be around you because you are
always very happy. I ♥ you lots Because you are
very sweet & kind. I think U. have a good
voice. I also think you sing good. I love U. just
alot. I'm glad that you can do the
things you do. I hope I can live till I'm
80 and do things you do.

Have a happy Christmas!

Love
Misti
Whicker



Great-Granddaughter, Misti

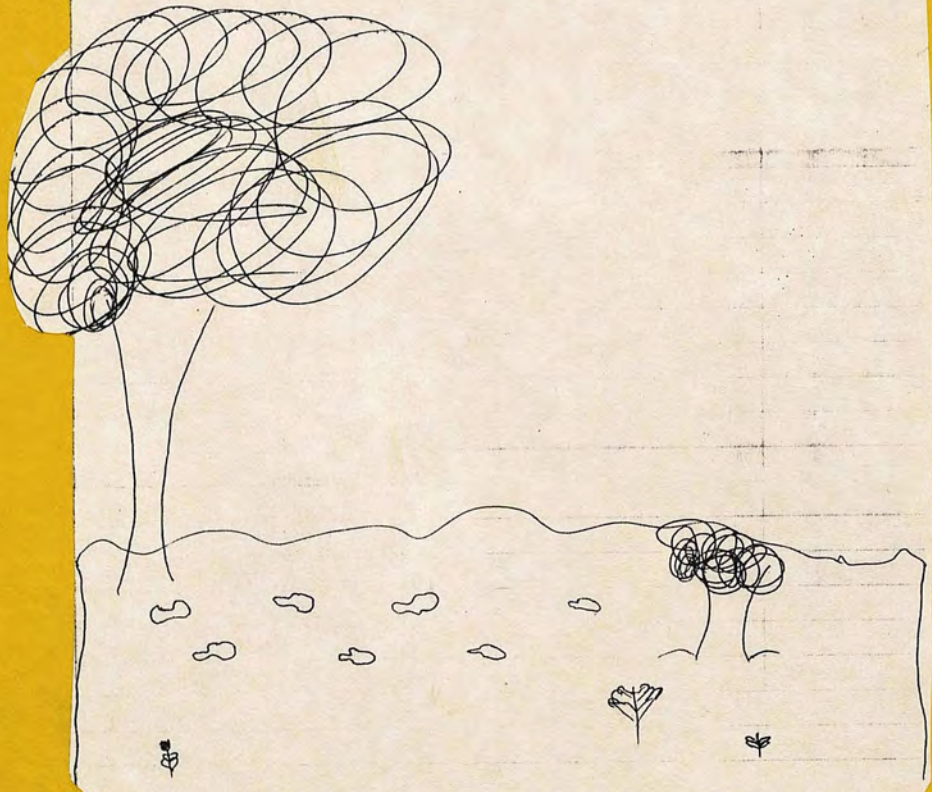
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Dear Gpa Clodfelter
I think your singing was good
and I like Gma Clodfelter's too.
I'm glad that I get to write to
you.

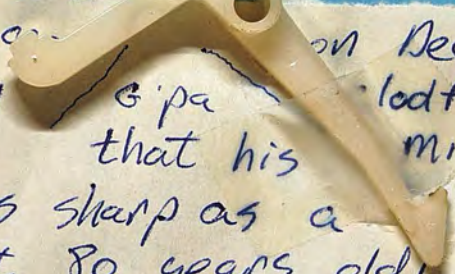
Love
Sarah.



Great-Granddaughter, Sarah



Greetings From:



3 days on December
12, 1991 G'pa Melodfelter
proved that his mind is
still as sharp as a tack
even at 80 years old! We
were trying to fix G'na's
typewriter because it was not
gathering the used ribbon around
the take up wheel. The answer
to problem was that a lever
much like the one above (only
smaller) was not in the proper
position. We knew that was
the answer, but several minutes
of tinkering convinced me it
was hopeless. Just as we were
giving up for good, a light went
on in G'pa's head and 1 or 2 min.
later the typewriter was working!

Grandson, Jeff

Greetings From:

10! Grandpa C.
from Alaina I Love you



Happy Birthday












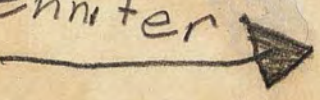


Merry Christmas

Great-Granddaughter, Alaina

Greetings From:



Dear 
Today   it's your 
And  want to 
And  you  you
And you are nice to 
The  is  right now
Your
grand-doter
Jennifer 

you 
I 
see 
birthday 
congragorlate 
me 
sun: 
hot 

Great-Granddaughter, Jenny

Greetings From:



Great-Grandson, Christopher



Greetings From:



"I am crying while I talk because we don't see you much."

"And you are crying while you talk because you don't see us much."

HAPPY BIRTHDAY,
GRANDPA



Great-Granddaughter, JeLyn

Greetings From:



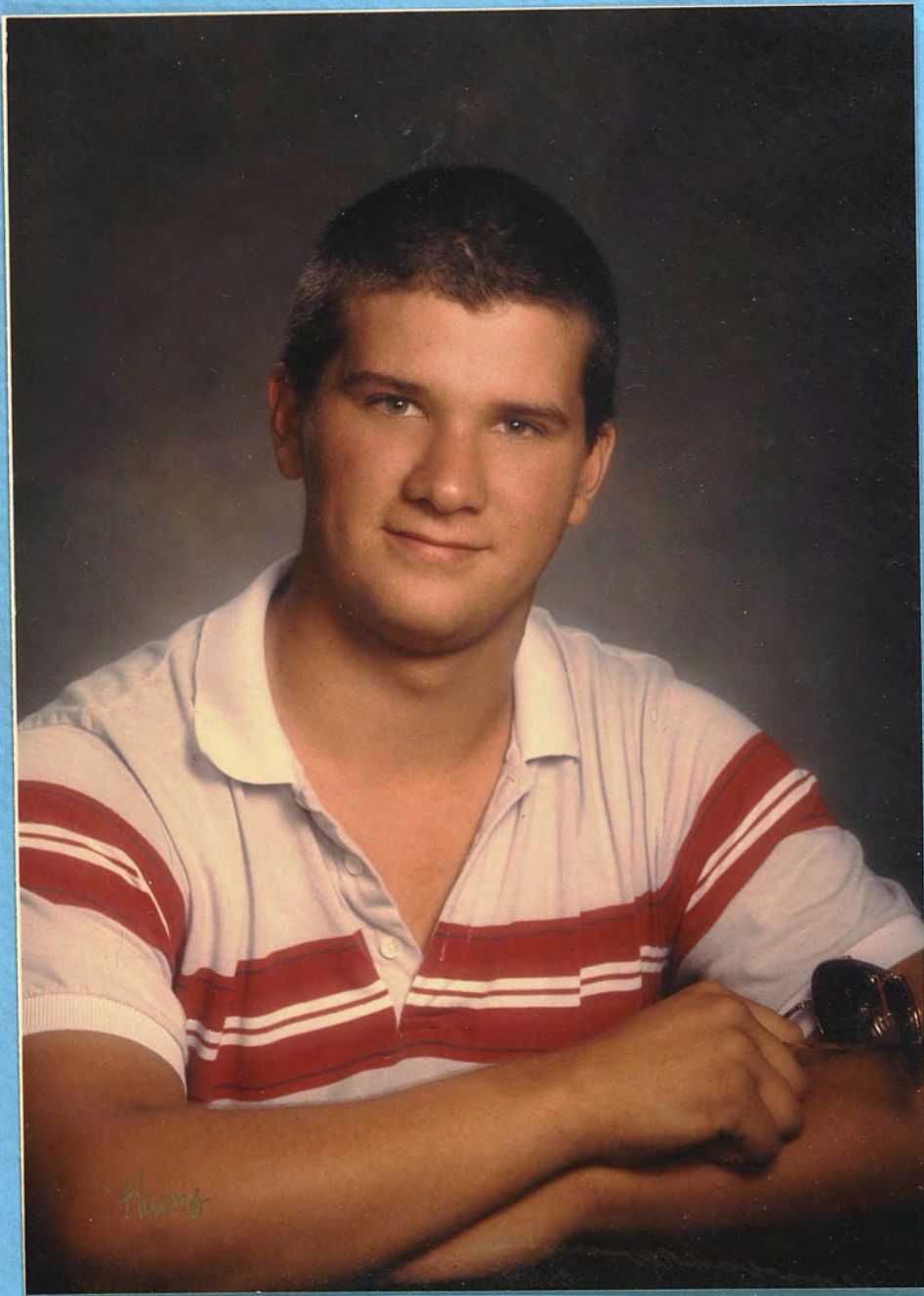
daughter, Rachael

Stamps

Greetings From:

Grandson, John

Greetings From:



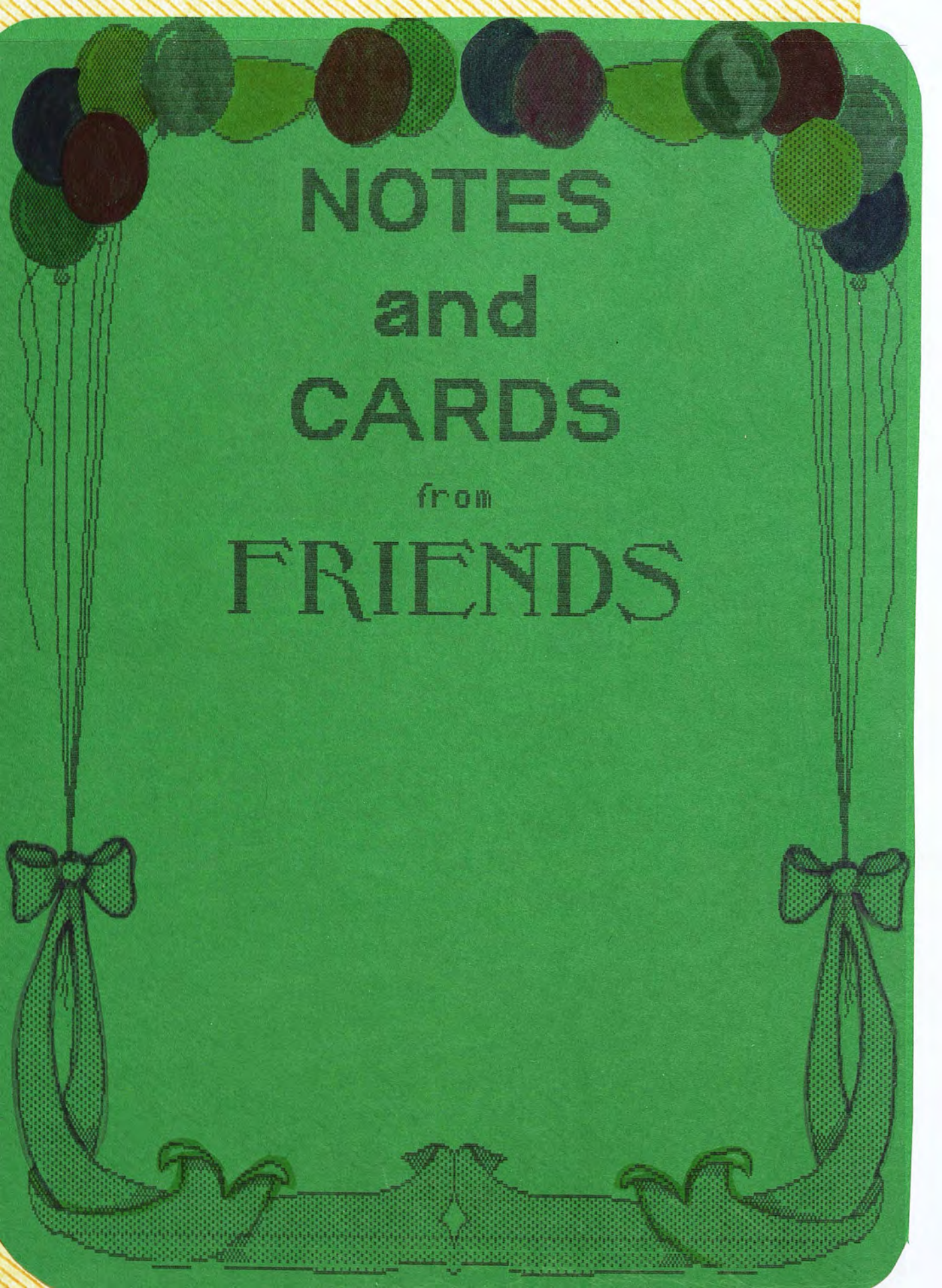
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Grandson, Fred

Greetings From:



Granddaughter, Ryanne

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NOTES
and
CARDS
from
FRIENDS

Greetings From:

PRIVILEGE OF AGE

Now artists can do wonders with canvas and paints
It is a small comparison of what is done by Senior
Saints.

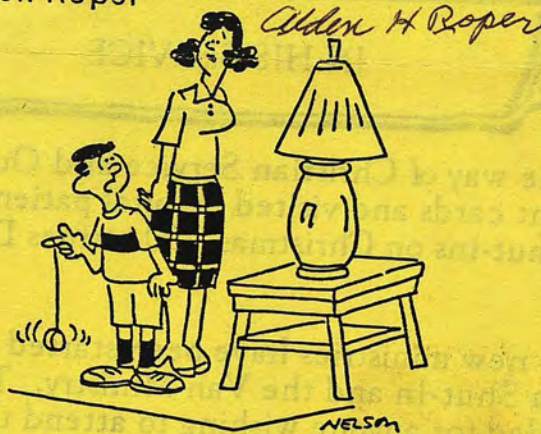
They visit Shut-Ins both day and night
It is true evidence of God's love and might.

They take trips for fun and pleasure
The value received knows no measure.

It is wonderful to know as we grow older
Our heart is warmer instead of colder.

I know we must carry on both night and day
For it is, we know, Gods only way!

-----Alden Roper



"Grandpaw knows a lot about God, I
think they're the same age."

IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHO HAVE GONE ON
TO BE WITH THE LORD

Sidney Harriman, Lee Thayer, Jean Roper, and Sandee
Selan.

"Blessed are those who die in the Lord."

Good Friend, Alden Roper

Greetings From:



A highly decorative, illuminated block letter 'P'. The letter is filled with intricate floral and geometric patterns in shades of red, blue, and gold. A white dove with its wings spread is perched within the upper curve of the letter. The background of the letter is a textured, light brown color.

Peace on
earth, with
good wishes
for the
holidays and
the coming
year.

Greetings From:



We're still waiting to go to California.
Will likely wait until after Christmas
now.

Ed. missed four days of work during
the storm. No one went anywhere.

It was his weekend off so he really
only missed two days.

Virian plans on coming over for
Buffalo Campers Saturday and stay over
nite. If it's a nice day we'll likely
go up to Oakley to hear Bill Kay at his
Church. It all depends upon the weather.

Hope your day was a good one
and that Bob & you are keeping well
and warm.

Love you both
Mort & Ferd

Happy Birthday to an owl-around
nice relative! - Forrest

This is going to be late - especially
since it will have to be sent on to you.
But our wishes are just as sincere.

We have had over 12 inches of snow.
More snow and some rain. Peculiar
weather so early - But we were in need
of the moisture.

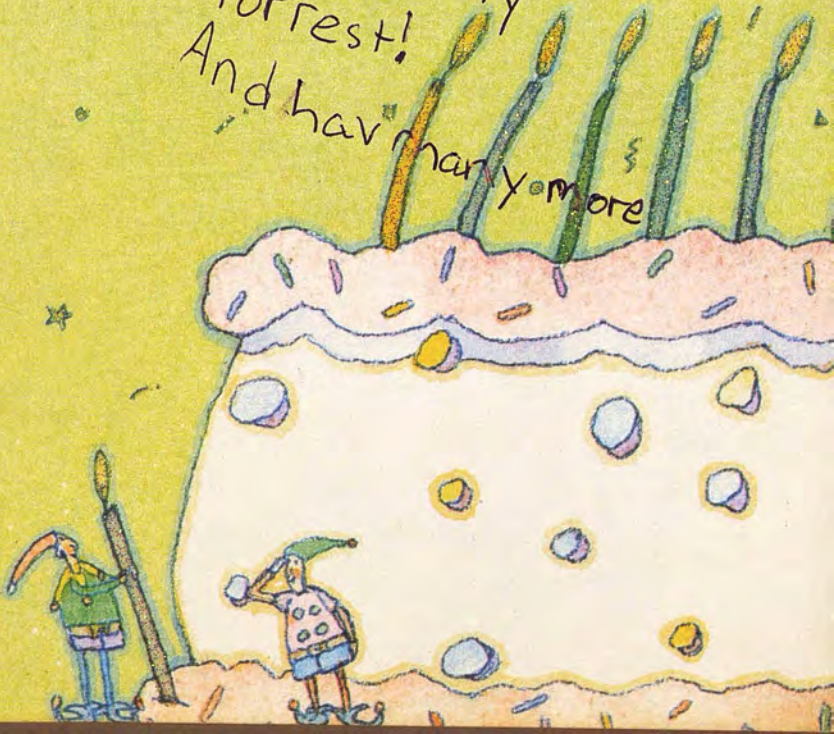
Things are about the same around
here. Every thing needs to be done. But
Ferd can't do it - it seems.

Our Italian friend Lora in Latin
went home last Thursday to find her second
husband had shot himself. It really shook
up the town, no reason given for his act.



Put another
candle on your
Birthday
cake!

Happy Birtty
Forrest!
And hav many more



Have a
great Birthday
here! so glad you
are!
Love
Barbie

...unless, of course,
you can't get
a building permit!

Dearest
Doreen
Happy Birthday
may you
Shouts so
for all
love
us!
Love
Barbie



Happy Birthday

OR A
FIRE PERMIT!!
HAPPY BIRTHDAY,

Barbie

Happy ^{60th} Birthday
Have many more
Francis
Baker

