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Dear Families of Our Heroes,

I am thinking about you today, and can only imagine how difficult it must be for you. It wasn't long ago that your special someone gave you a kiss and a hug and said, I'll see you in a little while.

Wherever your loved one was when taken for a journey across the clouds, and when you were told about this, America shared your loss. We are sorry for your loss.

I am writing to you this morning, to give you a message from your loved one, who is somewhere, way up in the clouds, watching over you. It is a message that is filled with love.

My Dear Family,

It was just a little while ago that I was there. Then it came to be the time for me take a journey across the water, to a place where I was needed, to fight for peace. When I was fighting, I thought of you every minute of the day. I embraced each moment that I was with you in my thoughts, while I was there.

Then the time came for me to take a different kind of journey. It was just but a moment, Then I found myself somewhere else. It is a place that is way above the clouds, way up in the sky, further than the eye can see. And as I am up here, I am able to see everything, everywhere. I can see you too. Even though I can not be with you, I want you to know that I will always be with you through all time, until the moment comes for me to see you once again. I will be here to catch you, when you take the journey over the clouds, like I did. But that may not be for a little while yet.

While you are there, I want you to know that I am OK. I really am. And I want you to keep on living, and going on with your life, even though it will be hard for you to do this. Plant the gardens, and think of me. Ride your bikes, and think of me. Play ball, jump rope, go to the movies, and be with our family and friends. They are there to be with you when you need them. Remember, for everything that you do, I am with you. I will always be with you, for now, and for, forever.

To those who have served our country and gave their lives for our freedom, America extends our deepest of sympathy to you, and yours. They fought the good fight, and because of them, our world will begin to be free once more.

With Love,

America and Me

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