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I know that you would be interested in this.

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To: "Irving" <Irvingkb3@aol.com>

Irv,

How are things going?

Well I'll tell you what little I know or found out about the family.

First what I know.....

Chuck passed away Sept 96 and Florence 2 years ago I believe. Dean is a doctor in Massachusetts. I think I was told Boston. About the others I'm sure you already know.

What Little I found out..... Charles & Ruby died sometime between the 1910 and 1920 Census. He was in the 1910 but the 1920 Lena was listed as head of household and Naomi and Isadore were still there, along with your mom and dad (living in NY). In the 1920 I found my grandfather Sam listed as being in the navy at that time in PA. Anna I found in Maryland. I have no idea how, when, or where any of them died. Still trying to find that out. All I know about Sam's death is that it was in NY and supposedly he was in jail on a drunk charge, only to be determined later that he was having some kind of diabetic episode. Where in NY I have no idea. That is about all I know. More to the point and to give you an idea of what I know..... I only know little about my dad's immediate family and only little of that. I can remember seeing Sam once, always avoiding Fanny when we lived upstairs in Paterson (she never liked me). and meeting your mom once in NY (it was after your dad passed). I knew all dad's brothers and sisters and their children, except for Marty. All I know about him was that he spent a lot of time in jail and he was a topic not to be spoken. In fact I found out about him when I was introduced to one of his sons, Phil, by a teacher we had in common in Paterson. Then years later, another son when I was stationed in Hawaii. That is a story all in itself.


Well there you have it, my complete ignorance about my family. Most of what I know I found out in the last year and most of that from you and Lillian, for which I am very grateful. Now I have a little to tell my grandchildren when I have some (which I will FINALLY will have in a few months).

A little about me and mine now. Rose and I have been married 28 years in Oct. We just have 1 daughter, Stacey. She is a school teacher in St. Louis. Teaches 4th grade. End of this month is her 5th wedding anniversary (you can see why I said FINALLY).

When I retired from the army in 92, I was at Ft Leonard Wood, MO and had already bought a house so instead of uprooting the family again, we just decided to stay. At least as long as Stacey was still in school.

I went to work for the state in corrections. I did that for 10 years. I started having bad headaches, found out that I had high blood pressure. Doctor asked me, "Why I was working in corrections?" I told her just like it was "To get another retirement check when I finally retire for good". I was then asked "How much longer?" I told her and she told me that I would never see it if I didn't make a change. That was all it took. I went in, gave my notice, went to work. I didn't last 2 hours before they had my BP going sky high and I was starting to pop nitro like they were jelly beans, so I just told them I QUIT and left. Haven't been back since. It's been almost 2 years now. Haven't had to use any nitro since. I owe nothing but my mortgage and army retirement taking care that. wife is ready to kill me if I don't start doing something soon, just to get me out of the house and give her some peace. It seems that I have inherited the Mogerman health curse, heart trouble. Doing just fine now. Sorry. I know I have rambled on and told you more than you really wanted to know. Sue me I'm starting to

get bored. Maybe I had better listen to the wife and do something constructive with my time. With that I will let you go. Again thanks you have helped me immensely. Later Jack

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