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Dearest sweetheart Pete:

Well honey here I am again writing you a nice letter I hope. Well how are you today. I just fine now couldn't be better but I miss my darling too much. I hope I will see you soon. Well dearest today I haven't heard back from you but Mon. I received your letter of 20 and 22. Very happy to hear what you have to say. I hope I get a nice letter from you tomorrow.

Well today I went to school and its very cold out couple days it was warm just like spring. Tomorrow will be last day for this week in school cause we will pass. That's what I like vacation.

Well honey I'm glad you understand about us getting married. If I was out of school I would marry you army or no army but since I have to go to school well its better this way. Anway hon any day you got out of the army I will marry you. Don't worry about that cause I love my dearest one very much.

Well sweetheart I excuse you for what you said in your other letter. But I didn't like that very well anyway I forgive my honey. Well what's this who is going to burn not me just you will burn up by yourself that's when I like you more when your very sore. But I bet I won't burn like you when you get sore you will.

Now who's going to get fat not me oh no I won't. I don't like to get fat. But I bet you will, not me cause all men get fat once they're married look at your brother he wasn't like that before because I seen his wedding picture He was real thin now he is fat. His wife must treat him good. Well if I see my Petie gets fat well I won't treat him good. Ha Ha So you like to have a fat wife because she will keep you hot as you say. Now Pete she might keep you hot but maybe she will keep you cold. Besides its your job to keep your wife warm. I bet you will keep her plenty hot too. Now Now honey no funny ideas. Oh well thats life.

Well honey I guess my father will like his son-in-law if he doesn't he don't have too but I think he does because I know he likes you. Anyway that doesn't bother me as long as I love my funny face. Aren't you a funny face sweetheart?

I guess I will see you sleep many times and sleep with you also but you say no twin beds why not they're just as good but why in the world should people get married if they aren't going to sleep together. ANyway I wasn't my honey to sleep with me so he can keep me warm and for other reasons too now don't get me wrong. Well that's life. If it wasn't like that maybe today there wouldn't be any world.

Sweetheart you ask me a very important question I really don't know what to say

about it. Not that I don't want to get engaged to you I do but I don't know what my people will say about it. Maybe they wouldn't like it just on kind of this war. I know what you think you might think its me that don't want to but I do sweetheart very much. The only thing we can do sweetheart is wait till you come home and then decide about it. You say you will buy a nice set. I know that. Anyway that's one thing I always said if I were get married I want a nice set of rings beautiful ones. I don't care if I get nothing else I want a beautiful set. I really don't know what to say sweetheart I was really surprised when I read that but honey we will decide on that when you come home.

Well dearest I sleep tight enough and I dream about you too. I dream't about you last night too. We were in Chicago and you was there but I didn't know it until I seen you sitting down and then I ran to you, you kissed me in front of my cousin and everyone then I wake up and the clock rang to go to school. I dream of you very often and sometimes such beautiful dreams too they seem so real and then when you wake your so disappointed.

Your a quite a good artist that's a nice watch you drew. Well you say someday you will get me a beautiful one well I hope so some beautiful day too.

Well honey its too bad you can't send anything to your brother but I know that I know your not allowed to send anything across. Hardly any get across of those package. Talking about package did you send me that gum maybe you aren't allowed. Let me know cause that girl asks me every day in school about it. Maybe I didn't get it yet because you didn't send it anyway let me know so I can tell her about it and if you want the money I'll send it too you.

Well sweetheart you say everyone is sick down there you better watch yourself honey. I don't want my honey sick. Well I hope you move too someplace close Chicago or Indiana someplace real close. You know you've been there since Aug. I bet if you stay there you will talk like those people down there. Well I know you like Youngstwon I don't think it Y. but it must be the nice young girls that are here.

Well dearest I can't think of much more to say except how is Gerry doing? did he marry yet? well I hope this war is over soon so we can all get together again and have lots of fun

Well goodnight dearest is about 2:30 now and I'm going to sleep now or else I don't feel like getting up in the morning. Good night now honey, kiss kiss kiss sweetie

Love always and forever
Mary Massullo Centofanti

I love you

Sweetie I sent this airmail cause I had not written to you since Fri. I hope you weren't worried.