



TO: Mrs M.C. King  
 Aptos  
 Tennessee

NO. 2170  
 APR 18 1951  
 (Sender's complete address block)

SEE INSTRUCTION NO. 1

Hello there:

How are you? Well and happy I hope. I am  
 O.K. and getting along good we could be quiet.  
 I was sure glad to hear from you and thanks  
 for sending over the Clippings about Chija Kidwell.  
 I had not hear of his death. So sorry to hear of  
 his death. I did not know he was American. I  
 had not told one if I had know.  
 I sure would like to run into Bill but I  
 guess we are many miles apart. I am on a  
 small Island in the Western Pacific and I would  
 like to say what one but can't how. You have  
 read of it and heard of it plenty but maybe  
 you wlee want to know more if I get home O.K.  
 I've seen alot that will forever be on my mind  
 we've never been in combat but I've seen  
 plenty of dead Japs and some live prisoners.  
 I sure don't sleep very sound yet and won't  
 as long as there are live Japs running loose.  
 Tell every one there I would like to see them  
 and if its God's Will I will be back someday.  
 Think my regards to Bill when you write.  
 Hope to hear from you again soon. Letters  
 sure mean alot on an Island like this one.  
 Remember us in your prayers.

HAVE YOU FILLED IN COMPLETE ADDRESS AT TOP?

V-MAIL

HAVE YOU FILLED IN COMPLETE ADDRESS AT TOP?

U.S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1951 O-84124

Print the complete address in plain letters in the post below, and your return address in the space provided on the right. Use typewriter, dark ink, or dark pencil. Faint or small writing is not suitable for photographing.



(CHIEF'S STAMP)

TO: MRS. G. C. KING  
A.F.T. N  
Rt 1 TENN

SEE INSTRUCTION NO. 2

FROM 34739560  
Pvt. ELIJAH KIDWELL  
Co. B, 7<sup>th</sup> ENG. BN. APO 5  
c/o Postmaster NEW YORK  
MAR. 24 - 45

(Sender's complete address above)

Dear Mrs. King:

Somewhere in Germany

Received your letter a few days ago, after a long a time, think I was in the hospital when it first arrived. Copies taken it was sent out again. Well I was certainly glad to hear from you, these writings that cheer me more than to hear from all you folks back home. I had forty nine letters last week. I wish you would write from Dept to Lib. I have been getting mail pretty regular too.

Hope Johnnie Bill is still making out o.k. Wonder if Gerald & Sharon is with him. Suppose the young is rather tough there, same as it is here. Glad to know that Leo work is with a hospital. Sure hate to hear of those young boys having to leave, for its bad enough for older ones. Do you know what kind of an outfit Wayne & Wayland are assigned to.

Took had about Reese here, but hoping that he will turn up o.k. there is a possibility that he may. I see a note and told me about him.

Guess you folks back home are having or will have some bad winter this month, well it started snowing here this week we had seven straight weeks of snow through. Xmas till about last of January. Bill doesn't have to worry about that one thing, I'm quite sure.

Received the service bulletin this week for the first time since I'm over here. I certainly want to thank the folks for their thoughtfulness. I appreciate it every much way. I don't know if I could read all of it, only I keep hanging on to it.

Love trying to answer about a few letters, so that being the reason for the Virginia all close for now, wishing all of you the best & luck. I hope we'll get back some day & friend E.

HAVE YOU FILLED IN COMPLETE ADDRESS AT TOP?



HAVE YOU FILLED IN COMPLETE ADDRESS AT TOP?

U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1943 O-321248