

be together, because we
sure could have fun.

I may have more to say
in my next letter - in fact
I'm sure I will.

Say hello to everyone
for me. You and Dad
take good care of yourselves
always.

I'll be writing again
soon, till then sweetheart

Love & Kisses
from your loving
son Julia

Buena
Vista

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Jan 6 1947

Italy

Dearest Mom & Dad

Well I started this letter
now lets see if I can finish
it. I harrit got a thing to say,
but you know me Mom I'll
try anyway. I got a letter
from Nancy & Warner & Jerry,
they all say everything and
everyone is feeling just swell.

I'm feeling swell, I'm in
the best of health - gaining
weight everyday. I'm getting
plenty to eat, swell place to

sleep - I sure hope you & dad
aren't worrying about me,
because there's no reason
for it - everything is just
swell.

Well Mom how was Xmas?
don't forget to write and
tell me all about it. Mom
I'm self sending a lot of
pictures home - I sure hope
they get there - I'll be send-
ing a lot more pictures
home the first chance I
get. The pictures aren't so

good - but they will help
me remember my army
life - the army sure has
its good and bad sides,
if you don't believe me ask
uncle Mose, he'll tell you
all about it - and how HA HA.

I haven't heard from
cousin Mose in some time,
I guess he's pretty busy - but
sure I'll hear from him
soon. Beno still writes to
me, and he still makes
me laugh - he sure is a
swell guy - too bad we can't

I know you missed me for Christmas, but there will be others, then we can all be together again - I'll start singing again then you'll know your little boy is home again - HAHHA, remember how I used to sing at home - well now I'm singing in the army - I should say "trying to sing" - the boys here tell me to stop singing just like you and Dad did - but they can't stop me either Mom - HAHHA. Well sweetheart - you and pap take good care of yourselves - God watch and bless over you & Dad always - Give you and dad a big kiss for me - HAHHA - Julie - KXXX

Jan - 17 - 1944
Italy

Dearest Mom + Dad,

I received a letter from you tonight dated Jan 6 - it only took 11 days to get here - Buena. I sure do like to get your letters Mom so write as often as you can. I'm glad to hear your getting all my letters, I've been writing as often as I can, knowing you get all my letters makes me feel more like writing - I don't want you or dad to worry that's why I write so much.

I'm glad to hear you got all my pictures - I sure did send a lot of pictures home - I sent most of them to Alene when she gets them I know she'll show them to you and pop. I've got about 75 more pictures to send to you but I can't send them to you till they say we can send pictures home - as long as I'm in Italy I won't be able to send any pictures home - the first chance I get I will send them to you.

We will be getting our mail a lot faster now that we're in Italy, I'm glad of that and so is everyone else I guess. I got a letter from Mary & Nancy and Carmine tonight, so - as soon as I finish this letter I'm going to answer their letters. I wish I had more to tell you Mom - but nothing new ever happens here.

I'm glad you and Pa had a swell Christmas - I had a darn good Xmas dinner - so we didn't do so bad.

just doing our job and it's not a very hard one at that - don't ever worry about me - I'm big enough to take care of myself - I'm sure you know that without my telling you - how about it Mom?

How's Pap doing - is he still working hard? I bet he is - I'll be glad when I get home so I'll be able to help out at home. I hope you and dad aren't taking on too much work, I know how hard you two work and it makes me mad - so for pete's sake

Jan-19-1944
ITALY

Dearest Mom & Dad:

I feel like writing tonight even though I haven't anything to write about. I feel pretty swell today - singing, laughing, yelling all day long - I just feel good that's all. I got a letter from Cara Susan and Clara last night - I already answered their letters. Cara was saying Roger was still growing, he's 6 ft 2 now, boy he's going to be a pretty big fella. He's going back to Military

school, she said he was a sargent - that sure is swell - I hope he gets a chance to go to West Point that sure would be great for him. Roger said he was going to write as soon as he got back to school, so I won't write to him till I get his letter. Clara said she spent the night with you - I'm glad that Clara and Jerry always come over to see you and dad - I know you like to see them, so I hope they keep on ~~going~~^{coming} over to see you.

I'm expecting a letter from Alene pretty soon, she said in one of her V-mails that she wrote me a long letter telling me what everyone did on Christmas and New Year - I hope everyone had a swell time, and I'm sure all of you did. Mom don't worry about me because I'm in Italy - I'm not in any danger at all - it's just like being back in Sicily - we're