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## 1951-04-22, Joseph to Dorothy

Dorothy Page

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April 22, 51

Dear Dorothy,

I don't know just what to say. I sure feel awful tonite. I found out today about my dad from you Ma and Margaret. He has been buried over a week already, and I just find out now.

He wasn't ever very good to me especially when I was small. When I left for the army I didn't even say goodbye to him and we've never seen him after that.

I didn't treat him very nice when he was home. The last few years we never even talked to each other much. It was just as much my fault as his and now I



wish I would have been  
nicer to him. Ma told me  
to write to him while he  
was in the hospital but  
I didn't know what to say  
so I didn't.

It doesn't seem possible that  
now he is dead and I'll never  
see him again. He wasn't so  
awfully old either. As I read  
the letters I got today, I just  
couldn't help crying. I've seen  
a lot of dead around here even  
men I knew but I never felt  
as bad as I do now. I'll get  
used to it I suppose, but I'll  
always wish I had at least  
written to him, my own father.

I must write to ma yet  
so must close. all my love  
Joe

got your package today. thank you so  
much