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Hi mom

Life is quiet here and I expect it to stay the same.
Hope everyone there is fine and doing well. I have been traveling and seeing the sights. I am being careful so don't worry, even though you will.

I have sent some pictures to Ann and John. Tell them to show you. I will be home soon and see you then.

Love

Roger
I AM THE GUARD

Civilian in Peace, Soldier in War...of security and honor, for three centuries I have been the custodian...I AM THE GUARD.

I was at Johnstown, where the raging waters boomed down the valley. I cradled the crying child in my arms and saw the terror leave her eyes. I moved through smoke and flames at Texas City. The stricken knew the comfort of my skill. I dropped the food that fed the starving beast on the frozen fields of the west and through the towering drifts I ploughed to rescue the marooned. I have faced forward to the tornado, the typhoon, and the horror of the hurricane and flood, these things I know...I was there! I AM THE GUARD.

I was in the black of night as I searched for signs of life in far-reaching destruction; and I was there on hallowed grounds, with a strong arm and valiant determination, defending my Nation. I am at home protecting the weary traveler, easing troubled minds and I am abroad fighting for the freedom of a people oppressed.

I am all these things...I AM THE GUARD. I have brought a fuller, finer and more abundant life to our youth. Whenever a strong arm and valiant spirit must defend the Nation, in peace or war, whenever a child cries, or a woman weeps in time of disaster, there I stand. I AM THE GUARD. I was there where the violent sandstorms did not bury my determination, but only hardened my resolve. Across the desert marched a parade of soldiers where the good of many defeated the evil of one.

I was there...I AM THE GUARD. For three centuries a civilian in peace, a soldier in war — of security and honor, I am the custodian, now and forever...I AM THE GUARD.

Bring this card to your Army National Guard Recruiter for your FREE t-shirt and DVD.
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