

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE WRITTEN
IN LONGHAND ON LEAFLET WITH
PICTURE OF "CHRIST BLESSING"

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To: Mrs. Shizuko Ruth Shiramizu
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Italy
27 Feb 1944

Dear Mrs. Shiramizu,

By this time you have been informed of the passing of Jimmie; I want to express a word of sympathy.

Jimmie went forward with several others to bring wounded in, and evidently a shell landed in their midst. Upon hearing of it I immediately went forward to help; when I arrived at the spot several of the men were still there, but Jimmie had managed to get partway back already. When I brought the other wounded men in, your husband was at the aid tent.

We gave plasma; he responded pretty well, and spoke to us. This was on the 10th of January, during the night. We were all shocked to hear that he died at the hospital several days later.

Everyone has always admired the efficient way your loved one handled his job. Things are not the same without him. We miss him much.

I got to know your husband fairly well. While at rest camp we went to the opera together. We often talked together. Therefore I feel as though I know you, too.

Yours is now a great responsibility in the raising of your child. Memories will make you sad at moments, but those same memories will inspire you to "keep going", as Jimmie would have you.

May the Heavenly Father bless you in your time of sorrow. You will often be remembered in my prayers.

Perhaps some day we shall meet. I hope so, for I considered Jimmie a great pal.

If ever I can be of service to you or the baby, please write.

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