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Dear family and friends,

It's time to greet you again and update you with the Mouning's Saga. We trust that you and your family have had a pleasant and blessed year.

We started the decade off with excitement and great hope for our family and friends in the 90's.

Marvin, our oldest son continues his work at a convalescent home as chef and enjoys it there. He is settling down to the civilian life back at home enjoying his mother's fine cooking. He is thankful for all the protection and of God.

Gregory, our second oldest son enjoys his acting very much. He has had several parts in major productions in the surrounding towns in Connecticut. In the spring, Greg had a terrible accident with his car. It was totally lost and he was not injured at all. He was able to purchase a new 1990 Camry Toyota, he keeps it shining and looking good all of the time. Greg had surgery for the first time on October 18, 1990 from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm and was back home by 2:30 pm. He was back to work in about a week. He is very thankful for the healing protection and blessing of God.

Jeffrey, our third oldest son, Linda, his wife, and Marcus, their son are doing very well.

Kenneth, our fourth oldest son, seems to be holding his own. He began the new year by traveling to Florida with a friend for a week. He introduced us to a very fine young lady by the name of Rose-Marie Scott. She is a Senior at the University of Connecticut majoring in Human Development and Family Relations.

They have known each other for about three years. At our family picnic on Memorial Day, they announced their engagement. The wedding date is set for August 31, 1991. We are getting excited about the wedding and looking forward to the event. He lives in Hartford, Connecticut and is still working at CIGNA Insurance Company. His work is going very well. Ken has been traveling a lot for his company. He is getting the experience of what it feels like to live out of the suitcase. He is very thankful for all the blessing that God has brought into his life.

Johnnie and Thelma began the new year with the excitement of planning for a two week trip to Israel and Egypt; then came the call that Thelma's father, Mr. Lemuel Lofton, Sr., had passed on March 25, 1990 and the funeral was on March 29, 1990 in Baltimore, Maryland. After returning back to Connecticut we continued to plan for our Middle East trip.

On April 14, 1990 Johnnie pulled a tender in his foot and was lade up for about a couple of weeks with clutches. April 18,1990 Johnnie was honored by Yale for thirty years of service. President Benno C. Schmidt Jr. presented the award. Attending the ceremony was Prof. F. M.

Richards, Prof. Donald Engelman, Mr. Patrick Nolan, Thelma and other co-workers. Johnnie received a Hitchcock rocking chair in recognition service to the University.

Things are going well in lab there were two thesis defense, Cathy Borden, in the spring and Julie Foreman-Kay in the summer. There were two weddings Cathy Borden to James Warwick in England and James Clifton to Kimberly Mowry in Massachusetts. There is Social life in the scientific community.

On May 14, 1990 we left for the Holy Land. It was an adventure of a lifetime. Just think about walking where Jesus walked, visiting such places as Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Capernaum, Jericho, Galilee, Masada, Qumran, Ammon, Petro, Giza and Cairo, Egypt. We visited Choeps Pyramid and the Sphinx and Pyramid Plateau...just to name a few of the sites we visited. We returned from an unforgettable tour of The Land of the Bible.

We enjoyed the 4th of July family cookout at our home. Johnnie's mother had surgery again in July. She was healed in a few weeks and up and going again. Then Johnnie's Aunt Sophia Armstrong his father's oldest sister passed. We attended the funeral in Danbury, CT on August 3, 1990.

On August 26th, we celebrated our 33rd Anniversary vacation which took us to Niagara Falls USA and Canada for a week of pleasure. We had an early dinner at the Skylon tower which rotates 775 feet above Niagara Falls. We then went to the Tivoli where we enjoyed viewing model miniature buildings from around the world. From there to the Thousand Islands where we took a boat cruise through the island, that was nice. Another cruise across Lake Champlain from New York to Vermont. Then we returned through Shelburne Village Museum in Vermont.

We returned home from vacation and received the phone call that Johnnie's father Mr. John Lacy Mouning had been hospitalized and passed on September 2, 1990. The funeral brought together family and friends from all over the country. We understand that over 1,800 people paid their respects. The homegoing service was September 7,1990 in Bridgeport Conn.

Thanksgiving Dinner was held at Johnnie's sister and family's house in Bridgeport. The Friday after Thanksgiving we had dinner at Kenneth's home in Hartford. We expect to have Christmas Dinner at our home with the family.

We take a moment of silence to prayer for those who have family members that are involved in the Middle East Crisis, sick and shut in, or lost loved ones this year.

We do pray for the blessing of the Lord to be upon you and your family in the upcoming years.

Have a blessed and prosperous New Year.

Yours Truly,

The Mouning's