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*May there come to you at this holiday time
an abundance of the precious things in life:
Health, Happiness, and Enduring Friendships.*

Happy Holidays

December again. They are making the months and years shorter and no one told me I'm sure. It seems like just yesterday when I wrote my last Christmas letters.

We lost my Mother on 18th January 1989, which really was a blessing, as she hadn't lived a good quality of life for the past few years. She passed away quietly in her sleep in the comfort of a private hospital and I'm sure she is now resting in peace back in Saskatchewan beside my Father. I guess you think you're prepared for these things which you know are inevitable, but you never are.

Just after we returned from the funeral, Paige announced her engagement (being engagement No. 2). This one lasted 4 months and then broke off in May. She's feeling a little sorry for herself as she can't seem to find "Mr. Right", but as Gord says, "You have to kiss alot of toods before you meet your prince." Most of her friends are either married, engaged or have steady boyfriends so I can understand her anxiety, but she's only 23 years old, so there's lots of time.

In July Gord had a convention to attend in New Orleans, so I went along with him and we went a week early to see the sights and hear the jazz, etc. as we had never been there before. We enjoyed it very much and loved the music.

Gord keeps busy with the office and staff and rarely gets time to sell himself any more. Paige is still working as a sales person with the Company and seems to be doing well. As for me, I'm still working for the same law firm in Langley and still enjoying it.

We just returned home from a 3 week vacation in Thailand. We had never been to south east Asia before and although it's very different from any place we have ever travelled, we thoroughly enjoyed it. The people were wonderful and friendly and the shopping and weather were great. We were in Bangkok for 4 days, Pattaya Beach for 5 days and then we travelled to the north (Chiang Mai and Chiang Rai) and to the Golden Triangle to the Mekong River and the borders of Laos and Burma, where we visited several of the hill tribes. As usual, Gord took some fantastic pictures which look as though they're from National Geographic.

SINCERE BEST WISHES FOR THE FESTIVE SEASON & THE NEW YEAR AHEAD.