

January 30th/2

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Dearest Laura,

I started a letter to you the day after we telephoned to you & heard of your Betsy's death, then Carol dictated what she wanted to say and then she got quite ill & I simply cannot find the time - finished letter - I may have finished it & sent it off, I hope so, but I have a distinct feeling I did not -

I can't bear to think that you've not heard, for both of us have thought & are thinking about you so much - Specially me - For I have seen Betsy once these

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past two years, have seen her failing, & have understood your agony of having to put her in a Nursing Home: I suffered with you during my visit with you last Fall, for my own situation was somewhat similar - As I look back over the years that you have cared for Betsy, I marvel at your indomitable spirit; the way you've always been patient, loving & cheerful -

I pray that I may be the same with Carol, but my disposition is not as fine as yours & I am too often irritable & annoyed & upset by things she

³/Says -

This note brings you the thoughts
& the love of two friends who care
very much about you - Both of
us really mean it when we say
"Come to us if you can" and it
would mean no extra trouble -

A group of parents have set up a
"Special Fund" to help us with the
Nursing - I did not realize before
what friends we had around us.

Now I have a Night Nurse 5
nights a week 7pm - 7AM & so
that I am getting good rest, & my
agonizing months of being in debt
& having drawn out all savings are
over - So dearest Laura
just know how much you mean to
us & how we think of you without
you lots -



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We are thankful she is at peace
but we also know your sense
of loss must be great-agonizing
Bieber sent us that nice
article about her. We love to
remember you Betsy as she
was -

Carol has got over this last

5/ Since 2 collecting fluid - Is on
more Medication for removing
the fluid (very trying!) & is
stronger - Her mind is much
clearer than it was most of
last year - She still has no
balance & cannot do any thing
much for herself - & of course

her ability to see for reading
& writing less & less - Her
signature is hardly recognizable.
Poor darling —

Take care of your dear self.
Are you able to have any help
for yourself now? You need it
as much as anyone —
Devotedly — Carol & Seth —