

4/3/99

To whom it may concern:

William H MARCOTTE - 1<sup>ST</sup> LT. (Capt elect)  
PASSED AWAY FEB. 15<sup>th</sup> 99 in VETERANS Hos Pital  
BAY PINES, FL. where he is interred -

He spent Time Flying in the  
R.C. A.F then TRANSFERRED to Army air corps  
when WORLD WAR #2 broke out -  
He WAS A BOM PILOT AND PRISONER OF WAR  
FOR 2 YRS.

Leaves a wife Claire of 51  $\frac{1}{2}$  yrs.  
Daughter Janice & son William ALAN several  
Grand children, nieces & nephews -

"One in a million"

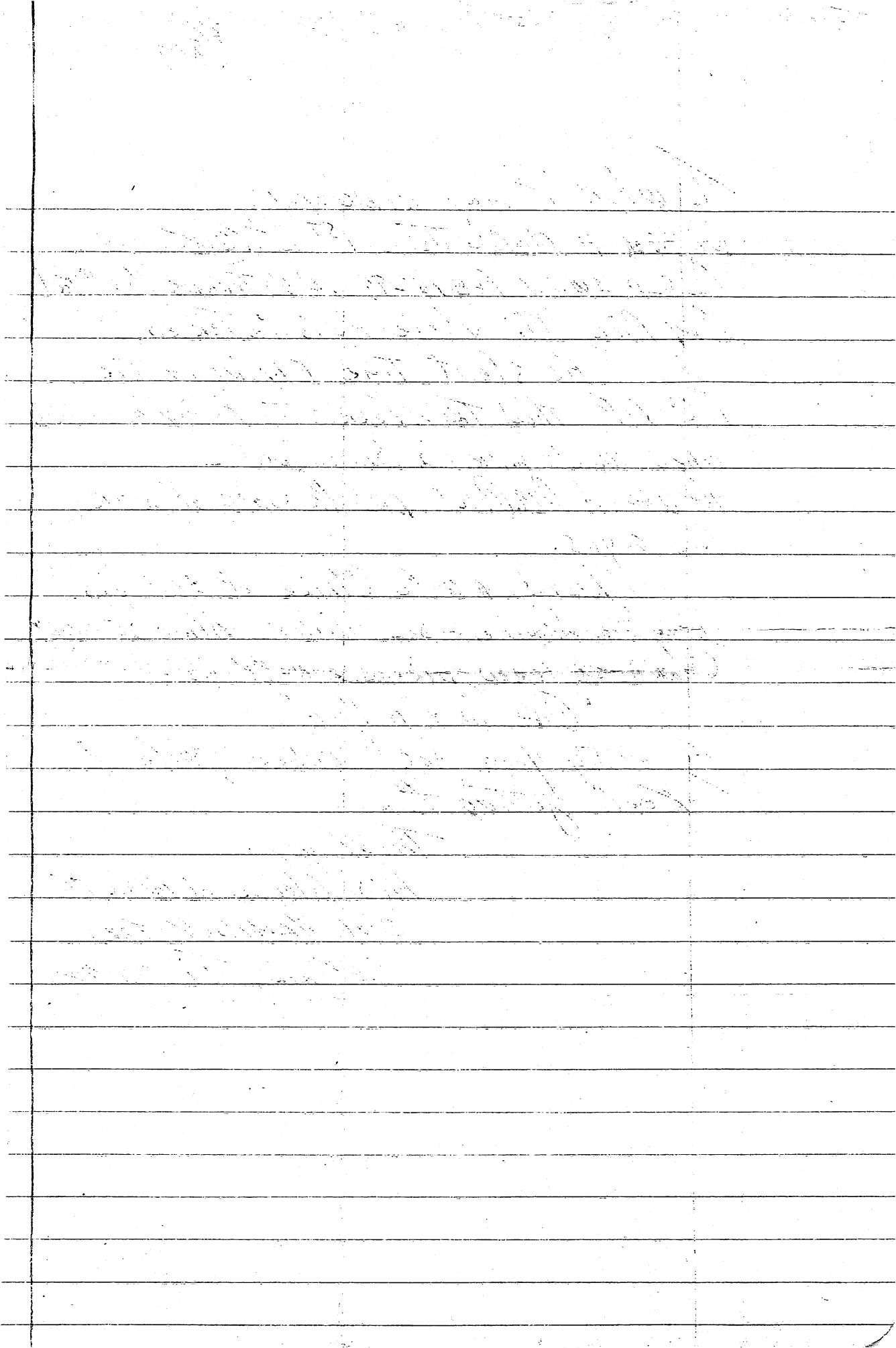
I enjoy your 306<sup>th</sup> echoes, Hope I  
keep getting them -

Thank you

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DEAR MR. HENNESSY,

THANKS FOR YOUR PHONE CALL JUST PRIOR TO THE REUNION,  
AND ALSO FOR TAKING CARE OF MY POSTER. I RECEIVED YOUR PACKAGE  
OF INFORMATION AND THE B-17 PRINT WHICH I TRULY ENJOY AND WILL  
HAVE FRAMED FOR OUR MEMORIAL WALL. I'M SURE THE REUNION ITSELF  
WAS A BLAST, I'LL BE LOOKING FORWARD TO READING ABOUT SOME OF  
THE DETAILS IN THE NEXT NEWSLETTER.

I MUST TELL YOU OF A VERY REMARKABLE THING THAT HAPPENED  
TO ME YESTERDAY EVENING. I AM EMPLOYED AS A HELICOPTER PILOT AT  
A HOSPITAL IN ORLANDO, FLA.. AFTER DINNER IN THE CAFETERIA LAST NIGHT  
I WAS APPROACHED BY AN <sup>NOT TOO</sup> ELDERLY MAN WHO SAW BY MY FLIGHT SUIT THAT  
I MUST BE THE HOSPITALS' HELICOPTER PILOT. HE SAID THAT HE HAD BEEN  
A PILOT IN W.W.II AND WAS INTERESTED IN KNOWING MORE ABOUT HOW THE  
HELICOPTER FLEW. WELL, AS REMARKABLE AS IT SEEMS, IT TURNS OUT  
THAT HE SERVED AS A PILOT WITH THE 306<sup>th</sup>, IN THE 423<sup>rd</sup> SQDN. !! I  
WAS FLOORED, AND WANTED TO KNOW MORE. WELL, HE ALSO TOLD ME  
THAT HE WAS SHOT DOWN 13 JUNE 43 AND SPENT THE REMAINDER OF  
THE WAR AT STALAG LUFT III, THE SAME CAMP AS MY UNCLE!! I  
WISH WE HAD MORE TIME BUT HE WAS PICKING UP A RELATIVE AT OUR  
HOSPITAL AND HAD TO GO, BUT WE DID EXCHANGE ADDRESSES WHICH  
I PASS ON TO YOU FOR THE ASSOCIATION RECORDS :

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HE OFFERED A COUPLE OF TALES ABOUT PRISON LIFE WHICH  
WILL HELP ME IN MY PROJECT, AND SAID TO GET IN TOUCH WITH HIM