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C/O PM N.Y.N.Y.

My darling wife:

Well sweetheart, as you can see by my address I'm right in the thick of it now. Honey, I'm in Patton's 3rd army & the 5th Division. And "M" CO with Lt. Irwin from Sill. So I'm right at home. Honey, I can't tell you where I'm located at now, but dear just watch the headlines. That's where you will find me. The 10th Inf of the 5th Div. We will be the spearheads. Now honey just don't worry about me. You take good care of yourself & keep your pretty little chin up. Just remember darling, that I love you so very much, & I'm thinking of you every chance I have.

I've changed now somewhat dear. But not the way you think. I'm so very much in love with you dearest & can't wait till I get home, but honey, I've got a big duty now & I have a tough job ahead of me. When we are through over here & the Jerry's are all gone then we will be home to our loved ones. And dear I love you with all my heart.

Dear I'm not here to be a hero or win any medals. I'm here to fight for the things that the Jerry's don't want us to have. And damn it honey, what I've been through & seen so far them bastards can't do anything or take it away from me & us. Oh yes dear your name is now on my loaded carbine. So you can see where my wife comes into my heart. With your picture in my pack & your name on my carbine nothing, not even a Jerry can hurt me. Just remember honey that I love you so very much.

Honey, my new insignia is the red diamond. And when you get this letter call up Gert & tell her my new address. I don't have much time now to write, so tell her not to expect any letters for a long time.

Well sweetheart, must close now. Don't expect too much mail from now on dear. Just remember that I love you with all my heart & I'll be safe as long as I have your love in my heart. Tell Pop hello & to take good care of my little wife. Pet Mitzi for me honey & honey keep your chin up.

Your loving husband forever

Jim

I LOVE YOU HONEY.