My dear Mr. Mossburg:

At the request of the President, I write to inform you that the Purple Heart has been awarded posthumously to your son, Second Lieutenant Louis G. Mossburg, Air Corps, who sacrificed his life in defense of his country.

Little that we can do or say will console you for the death of your loved one. We profoundly appreciate the greatness of your loss, for in a very real sense the loss suffered by any of us in the battle for our country, is a loss shared by all of us. When the medal, which you will shortly receive, reaches you, I want you to know that with it goes my sincerest sympathy.

Sincerely yours,

Gordon Gray Secretary of the Army

Mr. Roy L. Mossburg, 2185 Westbrook Drive, Fort Wayne, Indiana.