TO WHOM THIS MAY CONCERN,

WOULD YOU PLEASE SEE TO IT

THAT THIS LETTER IS SHOWN

TO THE PUPILS OF THE SCHOOL,

WHERE THE GALLANT TEACHER,

SIDNEY HER WOMANLY WAYS,

JUST TO SHOW THEM THAT WE

ALSO CARE, I MEAN THOUGH

THAT I COULD FEEL SO MUCH

SORROW, ABOUT AMERICA COUNTRY'S

AFFAIRS WITH THIS DISEASE.

IT HAS THE SAME IMPACT ON ME.

AS THE DEATH OF THE GREAT

JFK, IT WOULD MEAN A GREAT

DEAL TO ME. IF THE YOUNGSTERS

KNEW THAT WE SHARED THEIR GRIEF.

TOMORROW.

YOURS THANKFULLY

J Graham

DS

POEM ENCLOSED HOPE IT HELPS.

JUST A LITTLE.

JOSEPH GOLDMAN
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DEAR FREINDS

JUST A FEW LINES, TO LET YOU KNOW, THAT WE HERE IN GR BRITAIN SHARE YOUR GRIEF, I WATCHED WITH PRIDE, YES PRIDE, WHEN THE SHUTTLE BLASTED OFF, THE HAIR ON THE BACK OF MY NECK, STOOD UP, IT ALWAYS DOES. I WILL NEVER FORGET THE LOOKS OF PAIN AND ANGUISH, ON THE FACES OF THE ONLOOKERS, PARENTS AND FREINDS ALIKE, I WAS CHOKED, I WANTED TO SAY SOMETHING TO THEM. BUT I COULD NOT,

ALAS, I WAS IN ANOTHER COUNTRY, I WANTED TO CONFORM THE DANGERS OF THE TEACHER. GLAD TO SAY I WAS SORRY. WOULD HAVE MEANT A GREAT DEAL TO ME AT THAT MOMENT.

I ALSO SAW THE SERVICE FROM, TEXAS, WHEN THE PRESIDENT SAID THAT IT WAS A NATIONAL DISASTER. I BEG TO DIFFER. IT WAS AN INTERNATIONAL DISASTER. I HAVE NO RESPECT OF THE FACT, THAT I LIKE AMERICA, AND AMERICANS. PERHAPS IT HAS SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE FACT THAT LIVING IN THE EAST OF ENGLAND. WE HAVE ALWAYS BEEN CLOSE TO YOUNG PEOPLE. BEING INTERESTED IN AIRCRAFT, I ALWAYS GO TO WEAR OPEN DAYS.

AND I HAVE ALWAYS FOUND.
THE AMERICAN SERVICEMAN.
GOES OUT OF HIS, OR HER WAY,
TO MAKE ONE WELCOME, NOTHINGNESS
COSTS NOTHING, THEY ARE A
CREDIT TO YOUR COUNTRY.
AS I WATCHED THE CREW
OF THE SHUTTLE COME OUT
OF THE BUILDING, I COULD NOT
HELP LOOKING AT THE FACE OF
YOUR TEACHER, PRIDE WRITTEN
ALL OVER HER, AND RIGHTLY
SO, AND I BEEN A FRIEND OR
RELATIVE, I ALSO WOULD HAVE
FELT PROUD. WE HAVE LOST THE
WAY IN EXPLORATION, YOU
HAVE TAKEN OVER THE REINS
THE COURAGE OF YOUR PEOPLE
LEAVES ME WITH NOTHING BUT
ADMIRATION.

I WILL DO MY UTMOST TO
WATCH THE NEWS BLAST OFF,
IT WILL CERTAINLY COME.
FOR AMERICANS DO NOT GIVE IN
THAT EASILY. WHO EVER THE
OCCUPANTS MAY BE, THEY WILL
COME OUT OF THAT BUILDING
WITH MORE DETERMINATION, TO SUCCEED.
"THEY WILL NEWMAN" ONE OF THE FIRST
TO CHEER WHEN THEY BLAST INTO ORBIT
WILL BE YOURS TRULY.
I WISH THEM GOD SPEED.
I WISH YOU ALL GOD SPEED.
AND TO THE PARENTS CHILDREN,
AND RELATIVES ONE LAST LINE,
NO GREATER LOVE HATH MAN
OR WOMAN, THAN THAT THEY
LAY DOWN THEIR LIVES,
FOR THE BENEFIT OF US ALL
YOURS SINCERELY
R Caldwell

TO MR & MRS MCAWLIFFE BETSY
& CHILDREN, TEACHERS & PUPILS.
CONCORDE HIGH.

GOD'S GIFT, J GOLDMAN.

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THE SUN CAME UP
THE MORNING SHARP,
IN THE COOL CLEAR AIR,
THE SINGING LARK.

I WANDERED THROUGH
HIS MIGHTY RANKS
OF GOD'S OWN ARMY.
I GAVE MY THANKS,

AWYWNN TINYS
RUSTLING LEAVES
STURDY BOUGHS
GENTLE BREEZE,

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I STOOD AND GAZED
THERE WAS NO END,
ALL THIS SLENDOUR.
GIVEN TO ME.

I WATCHED THE SUN.
COME THROUGH THE TREES,
AND THOUGHT HOW GOD
HAD TRIED TO PLEASE,

WHY SHOULD WE THEM
HAVE ALL THESE GIFTS?
WHY CANNOT WE
ACCEPT HIS GIFTS?

WHY DOES MANKIND
GO TO WAR
WHEN ALL WE NEED
IS HERE ANY MORE?

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IF YOU'RE LONELY
AND FEEL AFRAID
TAKE YOURSELF OFF
TO A LEAFY GLADE.

GOD'S OWN ARMY
STANDING THERE
WILL HELP YOU, THROUGH
YOUR GRIEF, DISPAIR.

IF YOUR IN DOUBT
OF HOW FAR GOD REACHES
JUST TAKE A STROLL
THROUGH HIS MIGHTY BEECHES.

THE CREW REACHED OUT
TO TOUCH HIS HAND.
I HOPE THEY ARE HAPPY.
IN HIS OTHER LAND.

J Goldman
COPYWRIGHT

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England

By air mail
Par avion

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