

Dear Ella June the 2nd - 78

I write you a few lines
to let you hear from us What and
myself have improved I keep
very unwell I hope you are
also ~~enjoying~~ enjoying good health
and hope to see you all soon
I was truly sorry to hear of the
death of dear Sula though I was
not surprised to hear of her death
she was so feeble for some months
before she died she was a model
woman beloved by all that
new her I trust her loss will
be her eternal gain she had
a devoted husband & done every
thing to make her happy in his
^{home} ~~had~~ every attention paid her her
family have the greatest respect
for Col. Harbors poor Bee I feel sorry
for her she had such a pleasant
home I guess you have heard
of the death of All Alston
how man it is sad to think

of one dying of a broken heart
Lena succeeded in getting you
a Bird she found a nest here
and when she went to look
for her birds they were all
gone she ~~she~~ was troubled about
it when she came again she
went to look her birds and found
one in an apple tree she was
delighted at finding it carried
it home sent for the cage and
it is doing very well give my
love to Lian and the children
Dorothy and your Dear self
I could write more but feel so
little like writing May the Good
Lord bless you all is the Prayer
of your devoted Mother

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P.S. excuse all
mistakes
Love up