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Dear Ceile - your voice sounded quite natural and so sweet. My emotions got the best of me and I could not talk which was most disappointing - The call had been working since the day before and I had several emotional relapses during the anticipated completions. I was so sorry not to be able to talk to the children - The connection was not good a bit and no one could get any satisfaction out of the call only that we could hear your voices and we loved that.

Bobby was married yesterday afternoon in St Mark Church at 3:30 - Mr. Walters officiating. No guests except Nick, Joe and wife Helen and Dail and I. Margaret looked so pretty with a beige silk crepe tailored dress - The tight fitting jacket fit close around the neck and extended about four inches below the waist line fastened down front with crystal buttons. The skirt was very graceful circular style. Margaret is nearly as tall as Bobby - has large blue eyes and dark hair that curls naturally. She has a ready smile and had a most pleasing personality. You will love her claim sure. Ceile she is so sweet and practical and has so much good sense - she will give Bobby stability and maturity of thinking which he is capable of but does not practise. Dad and I think so much of her and both feel she will make Bobby a

good wife and companion. Bobby and Margaret wished for all of you so much and talked about wanting you here for their wedding - Dad and I wished for you to - it didn't seem right for you to not be here for an important family happening.

One thing I can say with all sincerity and truth is that I have two of the finest daughters a mother could have and I love them dearly. Of course I love you most because I have had you longer and the years have made you more dear to me and another reason is you have given ~~us~~ such beautiful sweet little grand children that we love very dearly.

The weather played us tricks again this New Year Eve - The day was quite warm and cloudy - It seemed a storm was brewing all day - About 4:30 in the afternoon it got very dark and the wind blew very hard - Later in the evening we heard over the Radio that a tornado had struck about six miles out on the Benton road and had gone on through Cotton Valley, Haynesville and up into Arkansas and Tennessee. Cotton Valley was almost completely demolished with sixteen killed and nearly 200 injured - We had a hard rain all evening and the weather turned to freezing - yesterday was beautiful but cold - today is warmer again -

Cecile you know my white narcissi in the yard are blooming quite freely this year - I have some in the house and they smell so sweet.

Dad is coming so I had better get his supper ready - <sup>Miss my little girls for me</sup> We love you very much - Mom -