

Mar. 11, 1943.

Dear Mr. Carter,

Today a friend of mine, Lt Leslie picked up a magazine and found that in it he was listed as "missing in action." He was as a matter of fact shot down off of Guadalcanal, and was "missing" for forty-three days.

That is why - when I heard the news of your son

in Africa I felt sure that it was  
a time to start hoping rather  
than stop.

I have thought often of  
my stay in Fort Worth and  
the part you played to make  
it the most friendly and hospitable  
city I was ever in.

Sincerely,

Cecilia Alexander, J.  
2nd Lt. USMC.

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