

Greensboro, Pa.
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Dear Mr. Carter,

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I hardly know just how to start writing you as you are a stranger to me and I suppose are already wondering just who I am and how I ever came across your address.

I'll tell a Miss Minnie Ragen, whose brother is in, or maybe I should say, was in the same prison camp in Germany as your son, gave me your address quite a few months ago.

My husband has been missing in action since Sept 19 1943 and there seems to be no trace of him anywhere. I have written to everybody that you

could possibly think of about him and there just seems to be no trace of him after the day he was missing.

Now Miss Roggen's brother, also a member of the 36th Div., was with him at the time he was missing, and he was reported a prisoner of war in Sec. of 43. The Red Cross informed me that there was just nothing they could do about it and so did our district Congressman, War Dept. and Missing person's Bureau.

I was wondering if you would tell your son, when he comes home to write to me so that I could ask him a few questions.

Of course if I hear any -

you know. I don't think
though, that I will be able to
find out any thing at all until
the prisoners of war return
home.

I only hope that your
son was one of the fortunate
ones, that was liberated not
so long ago.

Hope you don't think
I have been too bold by writing
you ~~but~~ ^{but} I'm really trying to
find out something definite to
go on you know.

Respectfully,
(Mrs) John Mader Jr.

