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Dear Betty and family,

Thanks for your letter of 5/01/87 -- and genealogy info. My turn now to apologize for the delay in answering your correspondence. Less than a month ago I had emergency surgery for a ruptured appendix. I returned to work less than two weeks after the surgery but I was always exhausted by evening so didn't work on my computer. This past weekend was my first (computer) "work session" in several weeks. I had three separate Frantz-family correspondence to enter into the computer so your copy now has the very latest info! (Some that Tom Beardsley doesn't have.)

Betty, I really appreciate all the names, dates, etc, that you supplied--and the "folklore" too. I'm hoping that my collection of Frantz info will become a permanent record somewhere. I hope to publish a book (in the future) but prior to that I may give the accumulated data to the Mormon Church because they have the best sources/resources for storing and retrieving family history.

I could have died from the ruptured appendix (the doctor said I was a "lucky gal"). I guess the Lord wasn't ready for me to "go home." He must have more work for me to do or more lessons to learn. Therefore I have "X" amount of time to work on genealogy. Life is so fragile, as we all know (we: Lorraine, Betty, Marion ...). Two weeks ago we buried a five year old niece who died from the effects of chickenpox.

Thank you for sharing some of your story. Love and cherish one another, Betty and Marion. Maybe I'll eventually have someone special to share my golden years with. (My husband died 3-1/2 years ago after a lingering illness.)

If you think (or hear) of more family stories, or more info for the computer, let me know. I hope you can understand the printout. The earliest generations are at the extreme left with their children, grandchildren, etc, stairstepped to the right. Sometimes several pages later, after we run out of children, grandchildren, etc, the next child of Michael II appears in the extreme left column followed by his children and grandchildren.

Warmest regards,

*Lorraine*

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