

Mrs. Sara Frances Shay

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Mr. Garnett E. Bell, President  
National Veterans Research Center  
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Dear Mr. Bell:

Thank you for letting me copy your speech the other day during the National League of Families meeting. Several people wanted a copy. I put it in your mailbox at the hotel. Hope you got it.

I am very eager to accept your offer to research my son's files. Even though you said there was no fee involved I shall be happy to pay you for your efforts.

Now I need to know just how much you want me to send you. Since January, 1994, I have received documents from government agencies as a result of my request for all material pertaining to Don's case through the Freedom of Information Act. As you might well imagine, there is much more accumulated through the years. Please let me know how much you want me to copy and send you. Call me collect if you like:

The coordinates in this case, according to the Air Force, have never made sense to me and I'm not sure they do to the Air Force either! I don't understand what they based the locations for excavations on---there were 3. I'm assuming that The SRV has more information than they are giving out and that assumption is based on information which showed up in examining Vietnamese archives---photographs of four documents (pilot's license, Geneva Convention card, military identification card and controlled area badge) belonging to the pilot of my son's plane.

I trust that you've had a chance to rest a bit after traveling all over everywhere!

As soon as I hear from you I shall begin to gather data.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sara Frances Shay". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned at the bottom right of the letter.