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Mrs. F.D.Roosevelt
The New York World Telegram
New York, New York

Dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

We received the enclosed manuscript as a contribution to one of our prize contests and we believe you might be glad to see it.

Sincerely,

Elsa Kruuse

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Miss Cecilia Baker
Wateree Mill
Camden, South Carolina

Dear Sir:

I will never forget the day our late President Franklin Delanore Roosevelt passed away. I was sitting on the couch writing a letter and listening to the radio. The programe was suddenly interrupted and the sad news was revealed to the thousands of shocked listeners all over the world.

I will never forget the awful feeling I had that moment. I felt that I had lost a very close relative and a very dear friend. Well, of course he was not my relative but he was my friend... just as he was the friend of all the American citizens.

I knew that I would never forget this great man and after the broadcast I sat down and wrote a poem trying to describe ~~my~~ just how wonderful he was.

This is my poem:

"Roosevelt"

He died serving his country
He died serving God
He died fighting for world peace
For the nation we now trod
We know he suffered pain each day
But never did we hear him say
I can't go on - I must have rest
Dear God - please provide for him
the best.

I'll never forget that moment as long as I live. I am a high school girl in my senior year at school. I have written several poems that my friends, parents, and teacher think are nice. I would appreciate any help that you might be able to give me as to where I could sell my poems for I truly need the money for my college expenses. If my letter is chosen to be

printed in the "I'll Never Forget" please don't print this last paragraph. I thank you very much.

Sincerely,
Cecelia Baker
Waterlee Mill
Camden, S.C.