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Dear Maxine,

Your daughter, Mary, has written to tell me of your travail. This is destressing to hear, and I pray your days are free of pain. How good your children are with you.

I am so glad you asked Mary to write. You may not know, but I have created a virtual archive on the Internet, and have been depositing your manuscripts and hundreds of others at [www.bholliman.com/](http://www.bholliman.com/) .

In years past you mailed me many materials and photographs which I copied to my computer. Two years ago when he died, Rhodes B. Holliman’s family loaned me his boxes and boxes of genealogical materials. In his collection are even more memorabilia from you.

To date of your materials, I have uploaded and saved for posterity 49 documents, some a few pages, others 20 to 40 pages. Some manuscripts are so voluminous that I have divided them into numerous separate files. And there are more of your materials I have not yet gotten to!

This archive will live on after I am gone. My 38 year old son, apply named Christopher Holliman, will continued the virtual archive, and he hopes to pass it along to his children. Also Jeanette Holiman Stewart is a co-administrator so if I shuffle off my mortal coil in the immediate future, she can step in and preserve these files.

These files are available at no cost to present and future genealogists who may wish to know of our common ancestry. Your work, your materials, your life time of research are going to live on after both of us are no longer in this world.

The research of cousins - Cecil R. Holliman, Walter O. Holliman, Rhodes B. Holliman, your research, numerous others and mine – are available now and for generations to come to those who better wish to know their roots and better understand who they are.

This archive remains a work in progress, and I hope to live long enough to upload the thousands of pages yet remaining to be scanned and processed.

I know you have invested an immense amount of time in saving the stories of your/our ancestors. Your work will keep providing insights and knowledge of persons who passed along the precious gift of life to us.

Nor can I forget that it was you who enabled us to solve the issue of who was the father of James Grantson Holliman (1750-1836) and connect our common ancestry back to Richard and Christopher Hollyman (1618-1691). And it was you who put me on to Christopher Hollyman of Bedford, Bedfordshire, England who both paper trails and DNA testing confirm this was our founding forefather in Virginia, arriving 1650.

I know you have lived a generous life for you have shared freely these stories with others. Rest comfortably as best you can knowing you are leaving a legacy to succeeding generations. What I am doing gives me great satisfaction that your work and that of other distant cousins will be there for those who come after us.

God bless you and keep you in the palm of His hand. We are his children, and we give thanks for the blessings of this life, and the faith of a larger life to come when our time in this life is over.

With love and appreciation for your life’s work, I am your cousin

Glenn N. Holliman

7th great grandson of Christopher Hollyman