

To: STANLEY TOMASOVIK,

Stanley, Little Stanley,

You were one of the younger kids in the neighborhood. I left Hicksville, N. Y. to go to nursing school, then to places 1/2 way around the world. You too went to places 1/2 way around the world.

One trip home I heard that you had been killed in Vietnam. It seemed so distant and matter of fact. I think it was because in those days, years ago, we didn't talk so much about unpleasant topics. Who else's son, brother, or husband might go, and be killed too?

Little Stanley, you did a big man sized deed. Thank you for honoring our country, our town, and our block.

Nancy Johnsen Kaye
Across the street and
Three doors down