

**Douglas MacArthur to Mary Cushman**

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GENERAL HEADQUARTERS  
**UNITED NATIONS COMMAND**  
OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF

24 October 1950

Dear Mrs. Cushman:

The untimely and tragic loss of your son, Donald, who met his death on the field of battle in Korea, has shocked all of us deeply. Some measure of comfort may be derived from the knowledge that he died in the service of his country and in the defense of a peace-loving people.

I am confident that his devotion to duty, at the cost of all he held dear, will hasten the day when ruthless aggression shall disappear from the face of the earth and free men everywhere will live together in peace and harmony.

Our faith enables us to withstand the shock and grief of death. It is my earnest prayer that Almighty God will sustain and strengthen you in this hour of trial. While the loss of your beloved one will be a hardship, we know that no life is really lost for those who have faith in God.

Sincerely yours,

Douglas Mac Arthur

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