

The Diary of Anna Kropf Ropp

1998-2004

(By 1998, Ann could no longer find the five-year diaries she had always used, so she switched to one-year diaries for four years and then simply filled several small notebooks, finally making her last entry on April 12, 2004. She lived until June 9, 2005.)

Friday, January 1, 1999. Cloudy. Forecast is for heavy snow. Started to snow mid afternoon. 1° in morning. I went to grocery store. Finished some weekly cleaning. Rons met Paul at ISU at 6:10 PM. They got Chinese food, brought it here. Jon & Julie came too. Good to see Paul. Glad Rons could get him.

Saturday, January 2, 1999. We are having a blizzard. Mildred [Nafziger] has a drift by her door nearly as high as the door. Had 14 inches snow. Paul scooped some by our garage but with the wind [it] doesn't do any good. Everything is closed down. Our grocery store closed, also malls. The wind & snow started to let up around 2:00 PM. Churches are closed tomorrow including ours. Rons were having us & Rays & Gordon but called it off.

Sunday, January 3, 1999. Mostly cloudy, few flurries. Wind blowing more in p.m. Some roads are open. Paul shoveled out our drive. We went to Rons at 11:30. Rays, Kens & Gordon there. We came home at 4:00. Roads drifting more. Cindy called at 6:30. They got home. Randys hope to get to Indianapolis this evening. Good to have Paul. Glad we could go to Rons.

Monday, January 4, 1999. Clear cold day, 1°. I did laundry. Paul & I went shopping. He got Pete pair of trousers to wear with his new sport coat & a tie. He got a nice jacket. Can remove the lining if I wish. Dark brown. Nice Christmas presents.

Tuesday, January 5, 1999. Fair in morning, cloudy in evening, -19° in morning. Congerville broke all records for the area, -36°. Paul went with Ron to breakfast. Rons & Jon here for supper. Had chicken casserole & apple pie, vegetables, etc. Paul went to Community Building, use the treadmill.

Wednesday, January 6, 1999. Cloudy, 33°. Got up late. I took down Christmas decorations. Paul getting ready to leave. We took him to depot. Train to leave [at] 12:15. Was good to have him and we miss him. Started to snow at noon. Stopped mid afternoon. Paul staying with Ben tonight.

Thursday, January 7, 1999. Mostly cloudy, -4°, 8° in morning. Did usual work. Dr. Sawyer called, checked my pacemaker. Everything okay for which I'm grateful. I went to pharmacy [to] get Pete's medicine. I cracked some of nuts Marty gave us. Paul flies home today. Paul called. He got home okay but they lost Paul's luggage. Hope they find it.

Friday, January 8, 1999. Cloudy, 4 below in morning, 70°. I did some cleaning. Used my new Eureka Sweeper that Rons, Jon & Julie gave me. I cleaned the oven in PM.

Saturday, January 9, 1999. Clear, -5° – 9° above. I went to beauty shop at 8:30. Finished some cleaning. Went to grocery store in PM. Rested. Allen called. They were at Jeffs. [Allen] wrote some Ins[urance] for them. I made fruit salad.

Sunday, January 10, 1999. Fair, chilly, 3° – 16°. We went to church. Came home for dinner. Had roast beef with potatoes & carrots. Rons wanted to come but [it] didn't suit them. Paul called. Still haven't found his luggage.

Monday, January 11, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 5° – 31°. I did the laundry. Ron took me to Gailey's in p.m. to have my eyes measured. Went to pharmacy [to] get eyedrops. I need to use before OR.

Tuesday, January 12, 1999. Cloudy, 16° – 31°. Did little ironing. Watered my flowers. Pete working puzzles & watching TV. Ron took me to Dr. Wera at 1:15 for physical, requested by Gailey's. Routine before eye surgery. Appreciate Ron doing that.

Wednesday, January 13, 1999. Cloudy, had some rain last night. Roads are icy in places, more south of here. Ron took me to BroMenn at 8:00 for blood work. I got Pete's breakfast before we left. We ate at hospital. I cracked some nuts in PM. Marge W[eaver] here during Jr. choir practice.

Thursday, January 14, 1999. 15° – 20°. Mostly cloudy in morning, some sunshine in p.m. I quilted at church this morning. Marie [Heiser] & Jeanette [Colter] there also. I went to bank in p.m. & made coffee cake with cherry filling.

Friday, January 15, 1999. Cloudy, fine mist in error at times, 31°. I did some cleaning. Went to Aldis & pharmacy in morning. Went with Myrna Park to Community Building in p.m. Visited & made some future plans to use the building. Pete didn't want to go. Katie Ropp won the 3rd, 4th & 5th grade spelling bee at her school. Congratulations to Katie.

Saturday, January 16, 1999. Clear nice day, 42° – 44°. Some snow melting. I finished weekly cleaning. I took papers to recycle & took Pete to get hair cut & barbershop closed at 1:00 PM. So will try again. Cindy called. Rachael has pneumonia. Took her to Dr. Steve at Friedenswald. Sorry she has to be sick.

Sunday, January 17, 1999. 37°. A rainy day. We went to church. Rons took Katie & Matthew to church. Rons & we to Red Lobster for dinner. Home rest of day. Allen called in evening. They were at Micks yesterday. Pauls called. He still has not heard from his luggage.

Monday, January 18, 1999. 30's, a blustery day. Snowed most of morning, windy. Snow blowing & drifting in country. Lot of accidents. Wideout at times. Sun shone late afternoon. Rachel is better. Steve got home yesterday p.m.

Tuesday, January 19, 1999. Cloudy, started to snow about noon, 31°. Had 1 inch and more in places. I went to lab at 7:30 for Pro-time [?]. Ate there (BroMenn). Jeanette, Helen & Lucy [Catherine] there. Went to B[eauty] shop at 9:00. Took Pete to barbershop. Gailey's called. aM to be there at 11:30 for surgery in a.m.

Wednesday, January 20, 1999. Ron took me to Gailey Eye Clinic at 11:00 for cataract surgery on my left eye. Surgery went well and we were home soon after 1:30. Saw Tena K[aufman] Chapman. She helped Dr. Randolph. Jo brought a spaghetti supper for us. She ate with us to & did all cleaning up. Had some discomfort in my eye. Took Tylenol tablet. Paul called to know how OR went.

Thursday, January 21, 1999. Cloudy & rain in evening, even some thunder. Ron took me to Gailey's. Got the patch removed from my eye. Dr. says everything looks good for which I'm grateful. I can resume general duties as usual. Had several calls. [Rev.] Tim Schrag here awhile. Oyers brought cookies & tapioca. Jo stopped [to] help with supper.

Friday, January 22, 1999. Very dense fog all day, 46°. I rested quite a lot. Had discomfort in my eye in morning, but better in PM. Did little cleaning. Tornadoes in south again. Several people killed. Rained in night. Evelyn called. They are okay.

Saturday, January 23, 1999. Cloudy, rained some & snowed in p.m. Didn't last long, 36°. I finished weekly cleaning. Did some laundry. Rested. Jo got some groceries, milk, etc. for us.

Sunday, January 24, 1999. Cloudy. We went to church. YPU served dinner, sandwiches, relishes, etc. Had business meeting after lunch. Got home at 3:30. Long meeting. Paul called. Marjorie worked today. Raining there.

Monday, January 25, 1999. Sonny, good to see the sun, 34°. I did laundry. Pete did usual thing, watched TV & read. I went to bank & grocery store in PM. Talked to Ron. He has bad cold and cough, went to Dr. today, got medicine.

Tuesday, January 26, 1999. Fair, 41°, nice day. Put some chicken in freezer. Baked coffeecake. I quilted at the church awhile this p.m. Ina [Sutter], Jeanette [Colter] & Marie [Heiser] were there too.

Wednesday, January 27, 1999. Fair, 55°, nice day, snow is melting fast. Still piles of it around. I made date pudding and [did] usual work. Washed windows on porch. Marge, Mara & Barry Weaver here awhile during Jr. choir. Ron is some better.

Thursday, January 28, 1999. Partly cloudy, in 30s. I went to Gailey's for check on my eye. It is doing okay. They put 4 drops in both eyes. Made it difficult to see but made it home safely which I'm grateful for. In p.m. I went to pharmacy for Pete & myself. Talked to Ron. He's feeling some better.

Friday, January 29, 1999. 38°. Partly cloudy, nice day. I did some cleaning. Went to B[eauty] shop at 10:00. Did some odd jobs in PM. Rested. Cooked some mush.

Saturday, January 30, 1999. 46°, fair. Finished some cleaning. Made meatloaf. Went to pharmacy in PM and made lemon pie with lemons from Evelyn B[early]. Gave some to Rons. Allen called. He is having back problems.

Sunday, January 31, 1999. Cloudy and 36°, rainy day. We went to KFC. Got KFC, ate at home. Ron ate with us. Jo to school. Ron put some boxes of Christmas decorations on high shelves. Glad for his help. Pauls called, they are okay.

Monday, February 1, 1999. Cloudy and some fog. I did the laundry. Had extra to do & [did] some cleaning. Rested in p.m. 36°.

Tuesday, February 2, 1999. Cloudy in morning, had shower earlier. Sun came out before noon, 46°. I made split pea soup. Went to Aldis. We went to Community Building at 2:00. Pete rode the bicycle. I played dominoes. Ron stopped by. 14 people at Community Building. Wrote in circle letter.

Wednesday, February 3, 1999. Partly cloudy, windy, 48°. I quilted at BroMenn in morning. Went to pharmacy in PM. Rested some. Marge & Mara Weaver here during Jr. choir.

Thursday, February 4, 1999. Clear day, 42°. I went to bank, and got my watch at Jack Lewis (they couldn't fix it). Got some thread at Jeffrey Allen. We went with Ron to visitation for Melvin Mouser at 4:00. Line quite long.

Friday, February 5, 1999. Partly cloudy, 46°. I baked rhubarb crisp & lemon bread. Had pork chops with rice for dinner. Did some cleaning. Rested awhile.

Saturday, February 6, 1999. Nice day, 43°. I went to B[eauty] shop at 8:00, then to pharmacy & grocery [store]. Did some cleaning. Ron came at 11:00, worked on our income tax. We appreciate all they do for us. Allen called. He has been having back trouble. Had MRI. Has a ruptured disc. Sorry to hear it, but hope he can get help. He'll see [a] specialist Monday.

Sunday, February 7, 1999. Had over one half inch rain early morning. 38°. Snowed for 2 hours, covered ground, melted by noon. We went to church. Rons & we ate at North Town Café. We were home rest of day. Called Arthurs, Georgia has pain in her hip. Hard to get around. Pauls called. They are okay except they have colds. Amy, Christopher & Todd went to Albany to see Andys. Had good time.

Monday, February 8, 1999. Cloudy and fog, 51°, some sunshine in p.m. I did laundry. Embroidered some on pillowcases. Called from Allen. He still hadn't heard from Drs.

Tuesday, February 9, 1999. Beautiful day, 58°. Pete & I had Dr. appointments with Dr. Dennis. Everything seems okay. Made no change in medications, etc.

Wednesday, February 10, 1999. Partly cloudy, 60° but nice day. I quilted in morning. Stirred up sugar cookies & made pot of chili. Went to store. Marge & Mara [Weaver] here in evening.

Thursday, February 11, 1999. Temp 68°, broke records. Had rain in p.m. Very high winds. Trucks on I 74 and I 39 were blown over. Were under tornado watches in p.m. & early evening. Some were sighted in other counties. I went to HEA with Jeanette [Colter]. Baked sugar cookies in p.m. Made some for Rons & Steves.

Friday, February 12, 1999. Little sunshine in morning, cloudy in snow flurries in p.m. Covered the ground. Windy & cold, in 20s. I did some cleaning. Made tuna macaroni casserole & celery casserole for dinner. Went to grocery [store].

Saturday, February 13, 1999. 36°. 16° in morning. Clear, nice day. I went to B[eauty] shop at 9:00. Did some cleaning. Made dried beef casserole for dinner. Baked coffeecake. Allen called. He is having back surgery February 19th. Hope all goes well. Sorry he has to have surgery.

Sunday, February 14, 1999. Clear, 46°, nice day. We went to church. Had lunch at Avanti's. Home rest of day. Rested & read. Pauls called. Andys were there for weekend. Steve called. They were in Ohio for weekend.

Monday, February 15, 1999. Clear nice day, 50s. I did laundry & some mending. Rested & read. Quiet day.

Tuesday, February 16, 1999. Cloudy, rained all morning, few snow flakes, 36°. I went to lab. Pete along. Had breakfast with Jeanette & 2 Pattons [Helen and Lucy Catherine]. Got groceries etc. At 2:00 p.m. we went to meeting at Community Building. Explained about using the elevator, etc. Chet and Beulah [Roth]'s 67th anniversary.

Wednesday, February 17, 1999. Cloudy in morning, some sunshine in p.m., 34°. I quilted in morning. Went with Jeanette to Garfield club at Perkins. Mara & Marge [Weaver], also Steve & Rachel [Ropp] here during choir practice.

Thursday, February 18, 1999. Cloudy to partly cloudy, 37°. I made cherry torte. Went to bank and to Aldis. Went to pharmacy in PM. Washed 2 sweaters.

Friday, February 19, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 34°. Allen had back surgery. He called around 4:00. Thought everything went well. Took 1 ½ hours. Hopes to go home tomorrow PM. Thankful it went well. Jeff, Mick & Pam were at hospital. Ron took me to Gailey's. Dr. says I have 20/20 vision on my operated I which is good news. I'm in process [of] setting up a date to have my right eye operated on.

Saturday, February 20, 1999. Partly cloudy, 35°. I finished weekly cleaning. Went to B[eauty] shop at 11:30. Went to grocery store in PM. Fixed broccoli salad for tomorrow's surprise luncheon.

Sunday, February 21, 1999. Clear nice day, 40°. We went to church, had surprise luncheon. We went to Ely Bylers. They had nine guests. I talked to Allen. He got home yesterday noon. Is doing quite well. He has some exercises he does & walked for 1 ½ hours.

Monday, February 22, 1999. Fair until mid afternoon. Clouds moved in. 17° – 34°. I did laundry. Rested some & read.

Tuesday, February 23, 1999. Cloudy, had 1+ inch snow last night, 32°. We went to Dr. Seehofer. He took biopsy from Pete's nose. Will send it to lab. Nurse removed some (white heads) from my forehead. We ate lunch at Paradise Gardens. I baked chocolate chip cookies in p.m.

Wednesday, February 24, 1999. Cloudy, 33°, snowed in evening. I quilted in morning. I cooked mush & made pineapple pudding. Marge & Mara Weaver here during Jr. choir. Ron stopped by. Gave them some cookies. Had nearly 2 inches snow last night.

Thursday, February 25, 1999. Cloudy, 35°, trees are hanging full of snow. Ron left this morning for Columbia Missouri, taking Renée's things to her. They were stored in garage. He goes on to meeting at Kansas City (chaplaincy meeting). He plans to see Arts & Cathy. Georgia isn't good, uses a walker to get around. I did usual work.

Friday, February 26, 1999. Partly cloudy, 47°. Had a thunder shower at 6:00 p.m. I did some cleaning. Went to bank. We cleaned out Pete's chest [of] drawers which took awhile. Talked to Jo. Ron called. He, Arthur, Cathy & Steve were having dinner together.

Saturday, February 27, 1999. 55°, cloudy. Had little sunshine late p.m. I went to B[eauty] shop. Took papers to recycle. Finished weekly cleaning. Allen called. He is getting better but rather slow. Isn't sleeping very well.

Sunday, February 28, 1999. Cloudy, chilly, 44°, wind. We went to church. Pete & I went to MYF class. They asked us about our lives & decisions that we've had to make. Was interesting. Went to Grand Café, brought food home. I went to Home Builders at our Community Building. John Bertsche spoke about his experiences as [a] Dr. Ron got home from Missouri in PM. He & Jo to Chatsworth to meeting. Paul called.

Monday, March 1, 1999. Beautiful day, 53°. I did the laundry. I did some embroidery. Ron stopped in. He had a good visit with Arts & Steves. They had dinner together. Georgia uses a walker to get around. Renée bought a house. He stayed with her Thursday night. She seems to be doing pretty good.

Tuesday, March 2, 1999. Cloudy, rained most of day, 48°. I went to Lab in morning, also went to pharmacy & grocery [store]. I made date pudding & Chicken – Rice casserole. Read some. Went to Women's meeting in evening.

Wednesday, March 3, 1999. Fair, cold wind, 30s. I quilted in morning. Rested in p.m. & read. Ron here awhile in p.m. Marge & Mara [Weaver] here in evening during Jr. choir.

Thursday, March 4, 1999. Fair, nice day, 19° – 43°. I did some laundry, dining table pad, etc. We went to Aldis & Jewells in PM.

Friday, March 5, 1999. 47°. Cloudy, rained late p.m. and evening. Turning colder. To have snow tonight. I did some cleaning & worked on pillowcases and cooked 3 meals.

Saturday, March 6, 1999. Had some snow flurries, 33°, windy. I went to B[eauty] shop. Jo here awhile in a.m. She had been to board meeting at MRC. I did usual work. Allen called. He can drive again, is getting stronger. Still doesn't sleep well. Had word today Loella De Poe passed away. No details.

Sunday, March 7, 1999. Clear nice day, cold wind. We went to church. Ate lunch at North Hill Café. Were home rest of day. Read & rested. Pauls called, they are okay.

Monday, March 8, 1999. 33°, cloudy, windy. Started to snow after dinner. Kept it up all afternoon & evening. Blowing & drifting. I went to grocery [store] & pharmacy in a.m. Did laundry.

Tuesday, March 9, 1999. Cloudy, 33°. Had 6+ inches snow. Most of schools closed. Had drifting snow. I baked bars & made split pea soup. I made 4 pie crusts in PM for MCC sale. Ron & Glenn Bressner left for hog sale in Texas. Hope they have a good trip. Pete about as usual, working puzzles.

Wednesday, March 10, 1999. Fair, 34°, nice day. I quilted at BroMenn in morning. Rested & read in p.m. Marge & Mara [Weaver] didn't come, choir called off. Matthew sick & Steve isn't home so Cindy had to call off choir.

Thursday, March 11, 1999. Fair, nice day, 37°. I went to HEA with Jeanette. Got home at 12:30 so had late dinner. I took Pete for haircut. Paul M[iller] here awhile to play checkers. I worked on pillowcases.

Friday, March 12, 1999. Fair, nice day, 38°. Dr. Sawyer called. Pacemaker is okay although he thinks battery is getting week. I went to grocery [store]. Did some cleaning and worked on pillowcases. Had circle letters. Luella Kropf passed away. Was 101 years old.

Saturday, March 13, 1999. Cloudy, 37°. I had hair appointment but Norma is ill. Went to pharmacy. Finished cleaning. I made salad (fruit) for tomorrow. Baked some bars. Allen called. He moved his office back to Nevada [Iowa]. He's working some.

Sunday, March 14, 1999. Clear nice day, chilly wind, 39°. We went to church. Had small group at Don Nesters. Dave Kennels, Seth Swifts, Martha D, Ardys Serpettes, Gerry Shrock and we. Had nice time. I wrote in circle letter. Paul called. They were at Boston. He had meeting. Visited friends at Yale U[niversity]. Ron got home from Texas at 5:00 a.m. Had some bad weather. Glad he's home.

Monday, March 15, 1999. Clear, 47°, nice day. I did laundry. Went with Jeanette to BroMenn auxiliary luncheon at 1:00. Pete at home.

Tuesday, March 16, 1999. Very nice day, 59° – 60°. Did usual work. I had a permanent at Norma's. Rested. Worked some on pillowcases.

Wednesday, March 17, 1999. Mostly fair, nice day, rather windy, 60°. I quilted in morning. Went to Garfield luncheon at Perkins. Got home at 2:15. We paid bills. I went to bank. Marge & Mara [Weaver] here in evening during choir.

Thursday, March 18, 1999. Nice day, 40s. I baked sugar cookies. Took Pete to Dr. Seehofer. His nose is nearly all healed. I had appointment with Dr. Wera at 3:00. Went to pharmacy. Got potassium & water pill again. Feet & ankles have been swelling. I iced cookies in evening.

Friday, March 19, 1999. Another nice day, 51°. We went to church at 8:00. Helped box pies, etc. Esther [Brown] & Louise [Reeser] had lunch for everyone. I went to grocery [store] & pharmacy again. Got eye drops. Did some cleaning. MCC [relief] sale started this evening.

Saturday, March 20, 1999. Fair, nice day, 51°. Nice day for MCC sale. We didn't go. Rons were working. Pete thought it was too much for me to handle [his] wheelchair. I have been having cramps in my feet & legs, mostly at night. Allen called. He is still recovering from back surgery.

Sunday, March 21, 1999. 48°, clear, nice day, cooler. We went to church. Rons & we had lunch together at North Hill. Rons brought us some sausage, liver sausage and cheese from MCC sale. Sale was a big success, large crowd. We went to MRC meeting at 2:00 p.m. Pauls called, they are okay.

Monday, March 22, 1999. 27° – 47°. Partly cloudy. I went to Lab. [Had] potassium checked. Did laundry. Rested as was tired for some reason. Nurse from eye clinic called. Am to be there at 8:00 a.m. Wednesday for cataract surgery.

Tuesday, March 23, 1999. Lovely day, 55°. I paid some bills. Went to Aldis and to Bank. Rested, was tired. Ron to St. Charles where he had workshop.

Wednesday, March 24, 1999. 40s. Ron took me to Gailey clinic or Dr. Randolph did cataract surgery on my right eye. OR went okay. We got home at 11:30. Brought KFC home. Ron was busy. Jo brought our supper. Chinese food, was good. Also brought us an Azalea plant. Didn't sleep too well.

Thursday, March 25, 1999. Pauls 55th birthday. Nice day, in 40s. Ron & I went to Gailey's at 10:00. Had patch removed which helps. Vision isn't as clear as the first operation was. Hope it clears up some. Have to use drops in both eyes.

Friday, March 26, 1999. Another nice day, 50s. Did usual work. Felt weak, better in PM. Rested. I did little cleaning. Tim Schrag here few minutes before noon.

Saturday, March 27, 1999. Clear, 29° – 58°. Nice day. I did usual work. Had hair appointment but didn't feel good. Canceled it. Rested. Went to grocery store at 4:00. Allen called. Micks were going to Allens. I took coffeecake to our new neighbors. They moved in today, Arthur & Vera Wilbur Willems.

Sunday, March 28, 1999. Cloudy and drizzly. Rain[ed] little, clearing in evening. We went to church. Brought Arby's sandwiches home. Took in 9 new members into church. We rested in p.m. Paul called. He had a busy week. Marj going to see her mother on Easter Sunday.

Monday, March 29, 1999. Clear, 32° – 64°. Lovely day. Did the laundry. Had extra bedding. I didn't feel good, low B[lood] P[ressure], better in PM. I rested. Ron here few minutes on his way to ISU, had luncheon. Ina Sutter here in p.m. Brought a book that I had given her to read.

Tuesday, March 30, 1999. Nice day, 71°. Some people are making garden. I went to lab at 7:00. We went to Ezra Bylers. Sue has a quilt in frame. Ina [Sutter], Marie Heiser & Aldine [Combs] & a neighbor [there]. She had delicious dinner for us. Ez was home. Think Pete enjoyed it. I went to B[eauty] shop at 1:00. Sue had to go to work at ISU at 1:00. Rons to Bluffton in morning.

Wednesday, March 31, 1999. Fair. I quilted in morning. Baked some brownies. Talked to Dr. Wera's nurse & Lab report wasn't good & I needed to go to ER. Couldn't get Steve or Jon so called Earl & Ann K[aufman]. Got to ER at 4:00. Dr. Wera on vacation. Dr. Brattberg saw me. My Lanoxin & Potassium level was high & [I] was dehydrated, so they admitted me at 9:30. Took chest x-ray & [did] blood work. Marge W[eaver] took Pete home. Cindy stayed with me until I was admitted. Didn't sleep much. Steve got home from Iowa at 2:30 a.m. where he had been just for the day. He stopped to see me. Pete stayed alone.

Thursday, April 1, 1999. Partly cloudy, warmer. Cindy came to hospital. Dr. Dan saw me. Did more blood work. Discontinued some of medicines. Constant IVs. Jon came in. Julie there in evening. Steve there too. Rons got home from Ohio. Jo came to hospital. Ron had a client. Good to have them home. Pete fell in kitchen getting his breakfast. Thankful he didn't get hurt.

Friday, April 2, 1999. Partly cloudy, 71°. Dr. Dan came in morning. Said I can go home. Ron there in morning. He had meeting. Jo came after me at 1:00. Good to be home. Lori Oyer sent our supper, chili, rice & cookies. Rachel Zehr brought us breakfast rolls. Our neighbors are very nice.

Saturday, April 3, 1999. Rained in morning. Sun came out at noon. I feel some better. Did little cleaning. Colored eggs and fixed baskets for Steve's children. Allen called. Randys are there. Micks were there last night. Our new neighbors Vera Willems brought us some chicken noodle soup.

Sunday, April 4, 1999. Sunny day. Easter. We didn't go to church. Heard service on our intercom. Ron was worship leader. We & Steves to Rons for dinner. Cindy took us. I took cookies & d[eviled] eggs. Rons gave me a chrysanthemum plant. Was nice day. Paul called. Marjorie went to Berne this morning. I didn't feel good in evening. Pulse irregular, shortness of breath.

Monday, April 5, 1999. 64°, mostly cloudy, windy. Had shower in evening. I went to Lab in morning. Did some of laundry. I felt some better. Went with Ron in p.m. Got garden seeds & did some errands. We uncovered the roses. Most of them look good. Dr. Sawyer checked pacemaker. He thinks battery is getting low.

Tuesday, April 6, 1999. 61°, cloudy in a.m., sunshine rest of day. Did rest of laundry. Ron took me to Gailey's at 1:00. Had good report. [Can] stop some of the drops. Paul & Ann M[iller] here awhile in evening.

Wednesday, April 7, 1999. Nice day, but windy. I baked cookies in a.m. Went to pharmacy & grocery [store] in PM. Rested some. Marge & Mara [Weaver] here during Jr. choir practice. Steve & Rachel here. He brought us some cupcakes. Katie & Matthew here after [choir] practice.

Thursday, April 8, 1999. 74°, cloudy to partly cloudy. Windy. A light shower at 4:30. Ron took me to St. Joe [Hospital] to have my pacemaker checked & it needs to be changed. Have an appointment with Dr. Smith, one of the heart surgeons, Monday at 9:45. Was hoping we wouldn't need to change it. Had stormy evening, tornado watch. Several touched down in areas. Had some rain. Worst of storm southwest of us.

Friday, April 9, 1999. 48°, cloudy all day & cooler. I did some cleaning. Ron stopped [a] few minutes. I made some vegetable soup.

Saturday, April 10, 1999. 61°, windy, sunshine in a.m., cloudy. Predict thunderstorms. I went to B[eauty] shop in a.m. Finished weekly cleaning. Made chili for our small group tomorrow. I went to MRC building at 3:00. Helped Alice S[wift] & Martha D[yck] set up for small group tomorrow.

Sunday, April 11, 1999. Cloudy, chilly. We went to church. Jim Waltners & Tom Kauffmans were there. Had been at conference. We had our small group at MRC. Got along fine. Nice place to have meeting. Arthur & Georgia called. Still having trouble with her hip & leg, uses a Walker. Pauls called. They are okay. Had a busy weekend.

Monday, April 12, 1999. Cloudy, fair in evening, 50°. Ron took me to St. Joe [Hospital]. Met Dr. Smith. Made plans to replace my pacemaker. Am to be at BroMenn Wednesday [the] 14th at 6:30 a.m. Surgery at 8:00 a.m. Am to stay all night. I did laundry & usual work. Pete reading, etc.

Tuesday, April 13, 1999. 60° fair nice day. I went to grocery store & bank. Fed & watered roses in p.m.

Wednesday, April 14, 1999. 63°. Cloudy. Ron took us to BroMenn at 6:30 a.m. to have the generator on my pacemaker changed. OR went well so they let me come home in PM. Went to OR at 8:20, back in room around 10:00. Jo brought KFC for our supper. She ate with us. We do appreciate all Rons do for us.

Thursday, April 15, 1999. Cloudy in a rainy day, 50s. We needed the rain, [it] came nice. I am doing alright. My shoulder is quite sore. Rested quite a lot. Did some embroidery in p.m. Pete rested a lot.

Friday, April 16, 1999. Another chilly rainy day. 43°. I did usual work, cleaning, cooking etc. Cindy & children here few minutes at supper time. They were going to ISU circus. Had around 3 ½ inches rain past several days.

Saturday, April 17, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 53°. I did some cleaning. Rested & read. Worked on pillowcases awhile. Allen called. They had several inches snow the other day. Ron did all right on hog sale. Mike Emericks, Marty & some of his friends came for sale. We didn't see him or talk to him.

Sunday, April 18, 1999. Some sunshine in p.m. We went to church. Bethel College President preached and Steve Jacoby had children's time & he played the organ. I went with Jeanette at 2:00 to open house at new Cancer Center. It's a beautiful facility. Arthur called. Georgia has a broken hip, OR Tuesday. Pauls called. They are okay.

Monday, April 19, 1999. Fair, 60°, nice day. I went to grocery store. Did the laundry & rested. Cooked 3 meals. Pete worked on his book, finding words.

Tuesday, April 20, 1999. Some sunshine, 58° in morning. Had shower in p.m. & evening. I went to B[eauty] shop in morning. Went to Aldis in p.m., got some grapefruit, vegetables, etc. School bombing & shooting at Littleton Colorado this p.m. 25 students & teachers killed. An awful thing.

Wednesday, April 21, 1999. 70°, mostly cloudy, little shower. I quilted in morning. Went with Marie H[eiser] & Jeanette [Colter] to Garfield [club] at Denny's. We went out home, got rhubarb. Put container in freezer. Made rhubarb crisp. Marge & Mara [Weaver] here in evening. Arthur called. Georgia had hip surgery yesterday. Got along fairly well.

Thursday, April 22, 1999. Cloudy in morning, had good shower. Sunshine in p.m. 73°. We paid bills in morning. I went with Jeanette to BroMenn Volunteer luncheon. Very nice. Mrs. Brooks (dietitian) sent some food home to Pete. I went to bank & to grocery store.

Friday, April 23, 1999. Cloudy, cool, in 40s. I did some cleaning. Stirred up over night coffeecake. Allen called at noon. They plan to come tomorrow, [to] get here after lunch.

Saturday, April 24, 1999. Clear, nice day, 59°. I baked coffeecake. Went to Rons. Got rhubarb. Made cherry – rhubarb dessert. Roasted a ham. Got things ready for dinner. Allens got here around 4:00. They stopped to see Shirley's sister in Metamora. Rons came for dinner. Jon came late. Had nice evening. Good to have them all. Steves stopped few minutes on their way home from [Camp] Friedenswald.

Sunday, April 25, 1999. Partly cloudy. Shirley had headache in night & didn't feel like going to church. Allen & we went. Allens left here after 12:00. Went to Steves for lunch, and home from there. Glad they could be here. We went to Denny's for lunch. Called Arthur. Georgia is getting little better. Therapy is hard for her. Pauls called. They are okay. Minda [Liechty] had a heart attack last Wednesday, is in hospital.

Monday, April 26, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 57°. I had appointment with Dr. Smith. Said my incision looked good & thought the pacemaker was working alright. Did the laundry. Had some chest pain in morning. Pete went with me to St. Joe.

Tuesday, April 27, 1999. 67°, some sunshine in p.m. Rained in evening, had some rain last night. I did some odd jobs in morning. Ruth Miller here awhile in morning. She's visiting Paul & Ann [Miller]. Ron took me to see Dr. Randolph at 1:00. He was pleased and ordered new lenses for my glasses. We got some groceries at Krogers. Appreciate all he [Ron] does for us.

Wednesday, April 28, 1999. Cloudy, few showers, 52°. I quilted. We finished the auxiliary quilt at 10:00. I went to grocery [store]. Made some split pea soup. Rested awhile.

Thursday, April 29, 1999. Clear, 66°, nice day, breezy. I went to Dr. Wera at 10:00. B[lood] P[ressure] little high. Went to Golden HEA-ers. Nice luncheon. I prepared food for MRC. Birthdays last 4 months. Had potluck at 6:00. Good group.

Friday, April 30, 1999. Beautiful day, 68°. I did some cleaning and trimmed one of our rose bushes. We went out home in PM. Got some rhubarb. Helped Ron Plant beets, carrots, green beans & some sweet corn.

Saturday, May 1, 1999. Lovely day, 73°. I finished weekly cleaning. Went to B[eauty] shop. Went to pharmacy & grocery [store] in PM. We went to YPU pig roast at 5:30 at church. Had good crowd. We got home at 7:10. I fell in bedroom, hit my head on corner of footboard. Cut an artery and got blood on carpet. We got Rons. They had just left church. Ron came in & took me to ER. Had to cut some of my hair, was so matted. Took 8 – 9 stitches. We got home at 1:00 a.m.

Sunday, May 2, 1999. Another nice day. We didn't go to church. Listened on intercom. Rons came at 8:30, got our breakfast. They went to church. Brought Chinese food and had dinner with us. They are good to us. Allen called. They were at Micks this p.m. Paul called. They were at Andys for weekend. Andy is doing well in med school. Marie Heiser brought us some food left today at church. Had Congregational meeting.

Monday, May 3, 1999. Partly cloudy, 70s. I did 2 loads laundry. Didn't feel very good in a.m., but better in PM. Mildred Nafziger went to hospital. Don't know the problem. Beulah R[oth] here awhile in (blank). Ina [Sutter] brought us breakfast rolls. Neighbors are good. Mannie Oyer came at 6:00 to clean bedroom rug where [I] got blood on it Saturday night. Steve here few minutes.

Tuesday, May 4, 1999. Partly cloudy, 80°, windy. Bad tornadoes in Oklahoma & Kansas. I finished the laundry. Ron took me to see Dr. Dan. He thought I was doing alright. Have a very purple eye. Had some cards & telephone calls. Jo stopped on her way home from school. We didn't go to mother-daughter salad supper. Mildred [Nafziger] home from hospital.

Wednesday, May 5, 1999. Partly cloudy, had 1/3 inch rain last night. I did usual work. Cooked heart & tongue. Rons had pig butchered. I didn't feel quite as good. Had more pain & felt nauseated after lunch. Think maybe [it] was (unclear) I took [that] caused it. Got a beautiful bouquet of red roses from Paul & Marjorie. Called them to thank them.

Thursday, May 6, 1999. Had rain in morning. Since yesterday had over an inch. Mostly cloudy, 62°. Ron took me to doctor. Nurse removed half of sutures. Looks good. Went to Gailey's, got new lenses. Eye sight quite good. I'm thankful. Got a beautiful bouquet from Allen & Shirley. I appreciate their thoughtfulness. Called Allens to thank them for the bouquet.

Friday, May 7, 1999. Cloudy, cool, 58°. I did some cleaning. Ron took me to Dr. Wera's office. Nurse removed remainder sutures. Incision doing good. I worked on bedroom rug trying to get the blood out. Mannie [Oyer] worked on rug, but didn't finish it.

Saturday, May 8, 1999. Cloudy, cool, 50°. I went to B[eauty] shop at 8:00. Got along okay. Finished weekly cleaning. Washed bedding. Baked an angel food cake for tomorrow. Allens went to Ozarks for a week. Deb called. Her school is out but she's subbing quite a lot. Good to hear from her. Talked to Brittany. She's still swimming.

Sunday, May 9, 1999. Cloudy in morning, sunshine in p.m. We didn't go to church. Listened to intercom. Jo took us to their home for dinner. Ron cooked dinner. Had barbecued chicken, sweet corn, angel food cake and strawberries. Don & Marge Nester here. Evelyn [Bearly] called, they are okay. Allen called, they are at Branson Missouri. Paul called, he cooked dinner today.

Monday, May 10, 1999. Clear, nice day, 80° – 83°. I did laundry. Went to pharmacy. Ron came at 3:15. Took me to Kmart. Got flowers. Went to Casey's 2. Ron planted them for me, my Mother's Day gift. I do appreciate all they do for us. Paul & Ann [Miller] stopped by in evening.

Tuesday, May 11, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 66°, had shower late p.m. I was sick last night, severe diarrhea. Am weak. Can't eat. Sleep quite a bit today. Ron stopped about noon. Glad he did. [He] went to store for us. Am taking Pepto-Bismuth. I hope tonight is better.

Wednesday, May 12, 1999. 78°, partly cloudy, showers again in evening. I feel some better, but still weak & hard to eat. Got her meals and rested. Mildred N[afziger] here few minutes, brought some cookies. Rained again in late evening.

Thursday, May 13, 1999. Cloudy, cool, 50s, showers in p.m. Pete had red spots under eyes & left cheek. Ron came to take me to Gailey's at 2:15. Pete's face got (unclear) so-called Dr. Dennis. Got appointment for 3:30 so we did make both appointments thanks to Ron. Dr. thinks Pete has

shingles. Gave him some medicine and antibiotics. Hope it helps. I had temporary prism [put] on left lens. Hope it helps [with] double vision.

Friday, May 14, 1999. Mostly sunny, a nice day after the rain, 70°. I did some cleaning. Got dinner. Still feel weak. Went to doctors office in p.m. Had pro-time taken. Pete seems to do pretty good, has some discomfort.

Saturday, May 15, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 69°. I went to beauty shop. Then took Pete for haircut & to pharmacy, and got half box of strawberries, very nice. Put 4 jars in freezer & kept [some] to eat. Ron & Jo stopped in [a] few minutes. They were helping clean at the church. Jeanette here, brought some coffee cake. Allen called. They got home at 3:00. Had nice time, some rain. They caught fish.

Sunday, May 16, 1999. Mostly fair, warmer. Think Pete is some better but didn't go to church. I went. Rons & we went to Parkview Inn for lunch. Ron to nurses graduation. Last Mennonite graduation. They will be part of ISU after July. Makes one feel sad. We went out home. Got some lettuce, radishes, spinach & few onions. Garden looks good. Pauls called. They are okay.

Monday, May 17, 1999. Had heavy rain last night and got very dark this morning & heavy rain, flooding in areas. I did the laundry. Brought some rhubarb for Marge W[eaver]. She came for it at noon. She took me to store. Needed milk. Talked to Arthurs. Georgia is having a lot of pain in her face. Gets around with walker. Has problems eating.

Tuesday, May 18, 1999. Nice day, 70°. I baked chocolate chip cookies. Have some for Rons. Ron & Jon are roofing a house here in town. I washed a sweater & did few odd jobs. Pete seems some better. Barry & Marge [Weaver] here few minutes this morning. Barry's day off.

Wednesday, May 19, 1999. Nice day, 74°. I quilted at BroMenn. Home at 11:30. I fed and watered roses in p.m. Rested some. Pete is slowly improving. Mara [Weaver] & Cindy here few minutes. Katie has been sick.

Thursday, May 20, 1999. 78°, another nice day. I cleaned our bedroom & washed dresser scarfs. Went to Gailey's in p.m. Got new lense in left eye. Went to grocery store, got ½ box strawberries. Put 4 jars in freezer. Went out home, got lettuce, radishes & onions.

Friday, May 21, 1999. Nice day, mostly cloudy, 74°. We went to Rons. I worked in garden. Pulled & hoed weeds. Ron called. He & Jon finished shingling a house. Mildred Nafziger was sick. Rescue squad took her to hospital. I went to bank. Kay Reimer brought us a beautiful bouquet of tulips. There was a luncheon at church, flowers were left.

Saturday, May 22, 1999. 70°, mostly fair. I went to B[eauty] shop in morning. Went to Eastland, got black purse. Rested. Allen called, they are okay.

Sunday, May 23, 1999. Mostly cloudy, breezy, had shower in morning & again in p.m., then some sunshine. We went to church. Brought KFC home. Were home rest of day. Cindy's folks were in church. Mary [Ramseyer]'s folks aren't very well. Paul called. Clark had graduation today. They are okay.

Monday, May 24, 1999. Nice day, 66°. I did the laundry. Went to the pharmacy & took papers to recycle. Watered my plants.

Tuesday, May 25, 1999. Nice day, 70°, rather windy. We went out home. Got lettuce, radishes, onions and spinach. Made tapioca pudding. I tied up the roses. Ron here a few minutes. He is painting Mariane & Brett's house. Jon working inside.

Wednesday, May 26, 1999. Cloudy awhile in morning, then sunny. I volunteered at hospital in morning. Went to Garfield meeting at Denny's. Got home at 2:30. Cooked chicken. Pete got along okay. Mildred Nafziger got home from [the] hospital.

Thursday, May 27, 1999. Lovely day, 80°. I paid some bills. Went out home. I hoed awhile. Ron had tilled the garden. We had car greased & oil changed & air conditioner checked. I went to Aldis. I watered roses & plants. I went to Mildred N[afziger's]. Took her some tapioca pudding. She's getting Mobile Meals.

Friday, May 28, 1999. Nice day, 82°. We went out home. I hoed some in garden. Went to bank and grocery store. Did some cleaning. Tim Schrag here few minutes. He was to see Mildred so stopped to see how we were doing.

Saturday, May 29, 1999. Another nice day, 86°. I finished some cleaning. Went to B[eauty] shop in morning. Worked some in garage. Baked some brownies. Read some. Called Deb to thank them for the wind chimes she sent. They are okay & busy. Allen called, they are okay.

Sunday, May 30, 1999. Nice day. We went to church. Julie here, did some cleaning for us. Ron & we went to CJ for lunch, then to Park Hill & Bloomington cemeteries, then to Ropp Cemetery. Had plenty of Iris & peonies. Glad we could do that. Paul called. They have enjoyed their vacation in Maine.

Monday, May 31, 1999. Mostly fair, breezy. I did the laundry. Went out home. Hoed some in garden. Got lettuce, radishes & few onions and spinach. Put a container in freezer. Also made some rhubarb crisp.

Tuesday, June 1, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 83°. Had shower in evening. Were under tornado watches & warnings until 10:00 p.m. I did some errands in morning. Got battery for Pete's watch & went to Card Shoppe. Went to pharmacy in PM. Ron here, brought battery for our portable telephone. Had heavy rain, strong wind & some damage in places.

Wednesday, June 2, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 82°. I volunteered at hospital in morning. Did some errands in p.m. Went to see Mildred [Nafziger]. Think she is feeling some better. Mara [Weaver] here awhile in evening. Allen called. They want us to come out with Rons next Thursday & stay there as Rons go on to Montana [to] see Marty. We'll think about it.

Thursday, June 3, 1999. Partly cloudy, 78°. I cleaned the kitchen, washed woodwork etc. Did some odd jobs in p.m. Cathy Hogan called [to] give me a special invitation to alumni program Saturday [the] 12th. Last tour & exhibition of Mennonite College [of Nursing] at Menn. Building.

Friday, June 4, 1999. Partly cloudy, 84°. Had a very stormy evening. About 4 PM tornadoes began to develop all around the area. Severe thunderstorm, also at least 8 tornadoes in area. The warnings were lifted about 6:30. We went to country in PM. Got lettuce, spinach & radishes. Put 2 cartons spinach in freezer.

Saturday, June 5, 1999. Fair, 88°, windy & humid. Did usual work. Had late lunch. Roy & Alice Martin here. They got to Barry [Weaver]'s last night at 6:00. Followed the storms all day. Allen called. Guess we'll go with Rons next Thursday. They will go on to see Marty at Bozeman Montana. Ron to meeting in Chicago.

Sunday, June 6, 1999. 88°, fair, breezy. We went to church. 5 young people were baptized. Greta Weaver was one of them. We had lunch with Earl & Ann [Kaufman] at BroMenn. Home rest of day. Pauls called. They are okay.

Monday, June 7, 1999. Clear, hot, 92°. I did the laundry. Marty here awhile in p.m. He got to Ron's [at] 3:30 a.m. He's doing a lot of traveling.

Tuesday, June 8, 1999. Hot, 92° – 93°. I went to bank and to Gailey's [to] have my glasses adjusted again. Went to pharmacy. Ron here a few minutes. Brought a new filter. Rested. Marty left for (unclear). I wrote in circle letter.

Wednesday, June 9, 1999. Fair, hot, 90°. I went to where his office, had Pro-time taken. I quilted awhile. Had permanent at Norma's at 11:30. I went to Nurses Home to see Dorothy DeVore. They are having a program Saturday to commemorate 80 years for the School of Nursing. Sorry to miss it.

Thursday, June 10, 1999. Partly cloudy, around 90°. I finished packing. Took my pictures & book to Nurses Home for Dorothy's exhibit. Rons & we left Rons at 2:00 for Allens. Had shower about 3:00 – 3:30, then again after we left [I-]80. Had supper at Amana's. Got to Allens around 8:00. Good to see them. Thankful for safe trip.

Friday, June 11, 1999. Mostly cloudy. Allen to meeting at Des Moines. Rons to Pork Expo. Shirley busy. Ron & Allen home at 5:00. They had big rain at home, 2 ½ inches in one hour, some flooding.

Saturday, June 12, 1999. Partly cloudy. Shirley to work. Rons, Allen & we left at 11:00 for Micks. Had lunch on way. Had nice visit. Pam home from (blank) at 2:30. Jane [Quigley] there too. Ashley at camp. Amber there. Micks have nice home. Did a lot of work on house. Rons left at 3:00 for Montana. We got back at 5:00. Randy got here [at] 8:30.

Sunday, June 13, 1999. Cloudy, 70s, rained in p.m. Allens & we to church. Randy to his friend. He had dinner with us, left for Newton at 1:30. Glad we got to see him. We rested & read.

Monday, June 14, 1999. Clear and cool. Allen & Shirley to work. I made some deviled eggs for dinner tonight. Did some laundry for us. Jeffs came at 3:00. They & Dick Pilgrims were here for dinner. Was good to see them.

Tuesday, June 15, 1999. Cool, 57°. Allen & Shirley to work. I made coffee cake braid. Rested. We took Allen & Shirley to Ames for supper. We did some shopping. Shirley got skirt for me for her birthday, [got] Dad a shirt for Father's Day.

Wednesday, June 16, 1999. Nice day, cool, 68°. Allens to work. Shirley home in PM. She did laundry, baked cookies. Pam & Ashley got here about 3:00. They left at 5:45. Glad they came. Shirley showed houses at 6:00. Allen mowed yard. We spent some time on the deck, watching birds & squirrels. Rons called. They were in Sheridan Wyoming.

Thursday, June 17, 1999. Nice day, warmer. Allen took us to Comming [Iowa] to see Jeffs. Enjoyed seeing their home and the church. Had lunch with them. They have nice place, large yard. Appreciate Allen taking time to take us. Allens busy in evening.

Friday, June 18, 1999. Partly cloudy, 72°. Allens at work. I washed few clothes. Rons arrived at 4:30. They spent the day at Yellowstone Park. Marty with them. He had to leave Wednesday so Rons did some sightseeing. They were in Nebraska last night. Allens took us all to Country Club. Had butterscotch pie after dinner. Allen had made [it].

Saturday, June 19, 1999. Partly cloudy, 75°. Rons & we left Allens at 9:15. Had breakfast at Ames. Had a good trip home and am thankful to Rons & Allens for a nice time. I gave Vera & Art Willens (our neighbors bread & cheese for getting our mail & watering the flowers at the porch. Pete got a bird feeder from Deb & Randy.

Sunday, June 20, 1999. Fair, nice day. We went to church. Jo paid for our dinners at Perkins for Father's Day. Jon joined us also. We went to garden, got lettuce, last of spinach, onions & radishes. Picked few peas, also head of cabbage. Pauls called. They spent weekend with Andys.

Monday, June 21, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 82°, humid. I did laundry and had some ironing to do. Had a letter from Renée. She has been busy and has traveled some. We rested & read some.

Tuesday, June 22, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 86°. I baked cookies in morning, rested. Did usual work. I went to Troyer Hall at 4:00 to reception for Dorothy DeVore. She is retiring from doing alumni affairs. Saw some old friends.

Wednesday, June 23, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 83°. I quilted in morning. Went to Dr. Wera's office. Had Pro-time done. I went to Jo's in p.m. She shredded a head of cabbage for me. Made freezer slaw. She & Ron picked the peas. She helped pod mine & did some of hers. I put 3 pints in freezer. A busy day.

Thursday, June 24, 1999. Cloudy in morning, 86° and fair. I went to B[eauty] shop at 8:30. Paid bills. Went to Bank & post office, got stamps. Did some laundry. I went to MRC birthday ice cream party at 7:00. Pete didn't feel like going, had some diarrhea.

Friday, June 25, 1999. Fair, 90°. I did some cleaning, got groceries, made date pudding. Manny [Oyer] here at noon, fixed hose on dryer. Part of it came loose. Nancy Kampmeier from Rochester Minnesota and her friend Kay came at 3:15. Had a nice visit with them. She's going to see Henrietta Thietje in several weeks.

Saturday, June 26, 1999. Cloudy, 83°. Had few light sprinkles. Ron brought 2 bags of peas. Gave Chet [Roth]s some. Put 3 pints in freezer. Did some cleaning. Allen called, they are alright. Seems longer than a week since we got home.

Sunday, June 27, 1999. Fair, in 80s. We went to church, had communion. We had lunch at Grand Café. Went to Rons at 4:00. Got broccoli, onions & lettuce. Jo has inner ear infection, has dizziness. Paul & Ann M[iller] here awhile. Paul called, they are coming July 24 & Andys come [the] 27th.

Monday, June 28, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 83°. I did laundry. Cindy & Rachel here awhile. Katie & Matthew went to camp at Friedenswald this morning. We went to Ace Hardware, got bulb for lamp. I stopped at Gailey's for adjustment of my glasses & we got gas in car. Talked to Jo. She feels some better. Called Arthur. Sorry we missed seeing he & Dave [Yoder]. Georgia had lot of pain in her face. Had a shower in evening.

Tuesday, June 29, 1999. 75°, beautiful day. I went to bank & **had car** washed. Took my drivers test. Got along fine. Glad it's done. Took some clothes to Good Will.

Wednesday, June 30, 1991. Clear nice day, 80°. I quilted in morning. We went to Rons. Got lettuce, beans and big head of broccoli. Put 2 bags in freezer. I fed & watered roses.

Thursday, July 1, 1999. Fair, a nice day. I baked coffeecake braid. Did some odd jobs. Rested. Ann K[aufman] called. She is having a kidney removed tomorrow. Ron here few minutes. My bird feeder up, checked TV color, etc.

Friday, July 2, 1999. Mostly fair, hazy, 85° and humid. I went to B[eauty] shop. Did some cleaning. Went to grocery [store] & Ace Hardware. Bulb I had gotten was bad. They gave another one. Ann Kaufman called. Said she was having a kidney removed tomorrow. We wish her well.

Saturday, July 3, 1999. Fair, 90°, breezy. I finished weekly cleaning. Baked magic chocolate chip bars. Read & rested.

Sunday, July 4, 1999. Fair, hot, 91°. We went to church. Brought KFC home. Rons came in at 7:00, brought pizza. Then we watched fireworks from Gregory Street. Nice display. Allen & Paul called. Jeffs were at Allens staying all night & tomorrow. Pilgrims had celebration for their 50th anniversary.

Monday, July 5, 1999. Hot, 92°. I did laundry. Went to pharmacy for Pete's medicine. Ron brought 2 bags green beans. I put 3 packages in freezer, kept some to eat. Gave Willens, Mildred [Nafzinger] & Chet [Roth]s some. We went to Rons at 4:00. Ron doing the beets for me. Will can them tomorrow.

Tuesday, July 6, 1999. Partly cloudy in a.m., 86°. I canned 4 quarts beets. Will give Jo some. We went to Birkelbaw Orchards, got ½ bushel transparent apples. Made some apple crisp.

Wednesday, July 7, 1999. Nice day, 87°, less humidity. I quilted in morning. Took Pete for haircut. Went to pharmacy & grocery store. I went for Pro-time. My B[llood] P[ressure] up. Dr. Wera saw me. Put me back on more Lanoxin & Vasotec.

Thursday, July 8, 1999. Fair, nice day, 86°. We went to Rons in a.m. I wrapped table service for the community picnic at Rons. I baked apples & made deviled eggs. We went to Rons at 5:00. Were 94 – 95 there. Nice evening and lot of food. We got sweet corn at Lynn Raders. He gave them to us.

Friday, July 9, 1999. Mostly cloudy until evening. I went to B[eauty] S[hop] & Gailey's for adjustment of my glasses. Went to pharmacy. I put 3 apple pies in freezer & cooked quart jar [apple]sauce. Jeanette, May Zehr & Edna Fox and grandson stopped to see us. Glad to see Edna. Zehr girls brought [us a] pint of red raspberries they picked at Bylers. We gave them some sweet corn.

Saturday, July 10, 1999. Partly cloudy, cooler, 70s, nice day. I did some cleaning. I cooked rest of apples. Put 5 jars sauce in freezer. Went out home, got cucumbers. Too big for dills. Will make bread-and-butter pickles. Allen called, still busy.

Sunday, July 11, 1999. Fair, nice day, warmer in p.m., in 70s. We went to church. Had lunch at Arby's. We went to see Ann & Earl K[aufman]. Ann came home from hospital Wednesday. She is doing quite well. I took her some roses. Pauls called. They plan to come July 24.

Monday, July 12, 1999. Another nice day, 79°. Jo & I went shopping. Got a throw for Pete's chair. Went to 4 different places. I did laundry & canned 4 pints bread & butter pickles. Marge, Greta & Mara W[eaever] here awhile in evening.

Tuesday, July 13, 1999. Warmer, in 80s. I went to grocery store in a.m. We took Lucy Catherine to Red Lobster for our birthdays. Went at noon. I gave her a box of chocolates. She loves them. She gave me a knitted top, very nice. Went to Aldis.

Wednesday, July 14, 1999. Clear, another nice day, little warmer. I went to lab at 8:00. Quilted until 10:00. Went to Dr. Wera's office. Nurse checked B[lood] P[ressure], still too high. She did the Protime. That was good. We paid bills. Went to bank & to Rons. He dug some potatoes for us. Got some beans. They are about past if we don't get rain.

Thursday, July 15, 1999. Fair, 89°, good breeze. We went to Senior Luncheon at church. Good crowd. Gerlof [Homan] talked about visiting Hutterites in US. I baked cookies. Ron to sale at Springfield, took hogs.

Friday, July 16, 1999. Fair, more humid. I did some cleaning. Went to grocery [store]. Rested, was tired. Steves brought pizza for everyone. Had nice evening with them.

Saturday, July 17, 1999. Had a shower in morning, mostly cloudy, some sunshine in evening. 82°. I went to beauty shop. Finished weekly cleaning. I made a pan of lasagna, put in freezer. Jo left for Ohio for visit. Ron home from Springfield. Vera (neighbor) brought us some apples. Allen called. They plan to come Friday, Micks may come too. Jon Kennedy Jr. and wife had a plane crash on way to Martha's Vineyard. Mrs. Gerike passed away.

Sunday, July 18, 1999. Fair. We went to church. Ron with us for lunch. Went to Chinese new Buffet on Main Street. Very good. Pauls called. They plan to come Saturday 24. Looking forward to their coming.

Monday, July 19, 1999. Fair, hot, 90° – 92°, humid. I did laundry. Made split pea soup. Didn't feel good in a.m. Rested. Had rain in evening and into the night. Had over an inch. We needed it.

Tuesday, July 20, 1999. Fair, hot, 92°, humid. I had new caps put on Pete's walker & went to Card Shop. I polished some silverware in p.m. Jo home from Ohio.

Wednesday, July 21, 1999. Fair & hot, 93° & humid. I went to Dr. Wera's office to have my B[lood] P[ressure] taken. Little lower for which I'm glad. Did usual work. Rested. Didn't sleep well last night. Steves at conference in St. Louis. Children at Bill & Mary [Ramseyer's].

Thursday, July 22, 1999. Fair and hot. We went to Rons, got corn, onions, beans, cucumbers. Jo helped me. I went to grocery [store] & bank. I baked a ham in p.m. Rested some. Terri Stutzman Mast was here a few minutes. She & Harvella were at Chet [Roth]s.

Friday, July 23, 1999. Fair, hot, 93°. I went to B[eauty] shop at 8:30. Did weekly cleaning. Went to pharmacy. Wrote in circle letter. Allens got here about 7:00. They stopped here awhile, then went to Steves all night.

Saturday, July 24, 1999. In 90s, humid. Allens came at 11:30. Had lunch with us. Micks got to town around 4:00. They are staying at motel. Paul called in morning. Their flight was canceled due to mechanical problems. Allens & Rons took us to Jumers for 7:00 dinner. Sorry Pauls had to miss it. Micks joined us too. Pauls arrived at 10:45 PM.

Sunday, July 25, 1999. Fair, hot. We all went to church. Ron worship leader. He, Allen & Paul sang (Great Is Thy Faithfulness). Marjorie played piano. Very nice. I did appreciate it. We all went to Rons for pizza. Allens & Micks left for their home at 1:00. So glad they could come. Marjorie made supper for us. Very good.

Monday, July 26, 1999. Partly cloudy, 87° but humid. Pauls had breakfast at Denny's with Rons to make arrangements to celebrate our birthdays & anniversary July 29. Marjorie left for Berne to see her mother. Paul to Rons after lunch to use computer for invitations to the party. Paul took them to MRC residents.

Tuesday, July 27, 1999. Fair, hot, 90°. I woke up not feeling well, shaking & temp. Went back to bed & slept. Felt some better after that. Called Dr. Dennis. Paul took me to see him. Had no temp. Have some bladder infection. Taking antibiotics. Marjorie went to Chicago from Berne. She met Andy & Rachel at O'Hare. They got here at 2:00. Glad to see them. They'll stay at Community Building. Marjorie got supper. Paul ran some errands for us.

Wednesday, July 28, 1999. Fair, hot, in 90s. Marjorie & Rachel baked bars & cookies for Thursday. We all went to Rons in evening. Had homemade ice cream. Marge Weaver & girls brought 2 fresh peach pies. Took one of them & an apple pie to Rons. Ben, Amy & Christopher got to Rons at 4:30.

Thursday, July 29, 1999. Fair, hot, high 90s. Pauls & Rons setting up for the reception, 3 to 5 [PM]. Had nice crowd. Got many cards. We appreciate all our children do for us. Pauls took all of us in Steve & Cindy who just got back from California to Red Lobster. Andys, Ben, Amy & CJ stayed at MRC [Community] Building. Had 70+ guests. Got 80 cards.

Friday, July 30, 1999. Fair, hot, 97°. Pauls & family left for Michigan, Marjorie's family reunion, at 10:45. Glad they could all come. We miss them. Jo here few minutes cleaning, etc. at MRC Building. I did some cleaning here. Allen called to wish me happy birthday. I can't believe I'm 95 years [old]. Pauls gave us meal tickets to Avanti's & pizza place & Chinese food. They gave Pete a sweater.

Saturday, July 31, 1999. Mostly cloudy, cooler, 83°. I went to B[eauty] shop & finished weekly cleaning. Julie here few minutes. Had some red ants. She helped with that. We went to Rons in

p.m., got corn, tomatoes, potatoes. We planted some lettuce. Got a basket of flowers from Randys. They called last night to wish me happy birthday. Evelyn called. They are okay.

Sunday, August 1, 1999. Fair, pleasant day. We went to church. Used one of our coupons from Avanti's that Paul gave us. I went over the cards we got, anniversary and both of us got birthday cards. So far 78 cards. I called Arthurs, talked to Georgia. She is some better.

Monday, August 2, 1999. Pleasant day, 81°. I did some laundry. Went to Dr. Randolph. Says my eyes [are] doing okay. Jo took us to 4-H fair in p.m. Watched Marty judge barrows. Interesting to watch. Had large number of barrows.

Tuesday, August 3, 1999. Clear, nice day, 81°. We got our sticker for car license. Got my eyedrops at pharmacy. Finished doing laundry. Wrote checks & rested. Didn't feel good in morning, low B[lood] P[ressure]. Watered roses in evening.

Wednesday, August 4, 1999. I went to Dr. Wera's office, checked *Coudman* (Coumadin?) & B[lood] P[ressure]. Quilted awhile for auxiliary. Rested & read in p.m. Called Deb to thank them for the nice bouquet. Paul called. They got home mid afternoon.

Thursday, August 5, 1999. Fair, in 80s, nice day. Did usual work. Went to Rons in p.m. Got corn, tomatoes & eggplant. I made tapioca. Took some to Mildred [Nafzger]. Also gave her corn & tomatoes. She isn't doing very well, so weak.

Friday, August 6, 1999. Did some cleaning. Went to grocery store. Went to B[eauty] shop at 1:00. Got some California peaches. Rested. Didn't sleep well last night. My right hip hurting. Had a quiet 67th anniversary. We have much to be thankful for.

Saturday, August 7, 1999. Had some rain showers during the day. We need more, very dry conditions in the Northeast. I did some cleaning. We went to bank, deposited some checks. Made date pudding. Rons were taking us out to eat for Pete's birthday but decided to wait until tomorrow. Had a good shower.

Sunday, August 8, 1999. Partly cloudy, pleasant day. We went to church. Rons took us to Parkview Restaurant (Pete's choice). Ron drove through Park. Lot of reunions. Allen called. They and Steves went camping for weekend.

Monday, August 9, 1999. Very nice day, 87°. Did laundry. Washed all bedding from our bed. I put 4 jars California peaches in freezer. Jo brought us some pork. They had hog butchered.

Tuesday, August 10, 1999. Another nice day. I did usual work. Rearranged some of the flowers. Made casserole, peeled peaches, put 2 jars in freezer. Mildred N[afziger] was taken to hospital by Rescue Squad. She fell in her kitchen. Is so very weak.

Wednesday, August 11, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 80s. I quilted in morning. Started on a new quilt. We went to Rons in p.m., got sweet corn, tomatoes & squash. Gave Willens some tomatoes. Ron to Springfield [State] Fair this evening. Took 3 barrows. Adam Denzer with him.

Thursday, August 12, 1999. Rained some last night, rained most of morning, little sunshine late p.m. 83°. Did usual work. Went to grocery store. Had thunderstorm and rain about 8:00 PM. All together we had 2 inches rain.

Friday, August 13, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 74°, light mist in evening. I did some cleaning. Cleaned the oven in PM. Jo called in evening. She has been working at school. She plans to go to [State] Fair tomorrow. Ron shows Barrows.

Saturday, August 14, 1999. A very pleasant day. I finished weekly cleaning. Went to B[eauty] shop. Rons home from the Fair. They did fairly well.

Sunday, August 15, 1999. Nice day. We went to church. Rons & we to Chinese Buffet. Used some of Paul's coupons they gave us. I went to Alta Litwiller. She had open house for Nancy & her husband. Allen called. They are going to Randys Wednesday for 10 days. Pauls called. They are okay. I wrote to Pam. Talked to Gene Nafzger. Mildred still in hospital. Very weak. Doing more tests.

Monday, August 16, 1999. Another nice day, 84°. Did the laundry. Read & rested. A quiet day.

Tuesday, August 17, 1999. Nice day, warmer, 87°. I went to grocery [store]. Paid bills. Went to Rons, got potatoes & tomatoes. Jo working at school. I went to anointing service for Don & Marge Nester. Don is having health problems. Was nice service. Ron had a part. Heard today Mildred Nafzger is going to nursing home in Morton. She has cancer of the lung & liver. Sorry to hear it. Ron took breeding stock to Springfield Fair.

Wednesday, August 18, 1999. Cloudy, cool, 73°. Had few light showers. I went to Dr. Wera's office. B[lood] P[ressure] okay, also Coumadin. Quilted. Rested in p.m. Cindy & children here few minutes. Steve in Goshen. Allen & Shirley flew to Randys in New Jersey, thanks to Randy. He gave them tickets.

Thursday, August 19, 1999. Cloudy in morning, nice day, 76°. I went to pharmacy in morning. Got dinner. Rested in p.m. Have a cold, first one for a long time. Rons all at Fair. Marty there too. Talked to Ron about 9 PM. They had a pretty good day at Fair. Celebrated his birthday there.

Friday, August 20, 1999. Fair, 78°, nice day. I did some cleaning. Did some errands. Rested. Think my cold is some better. Watered plants and roses.

Saturday, August 21, 1999. Another nice day. Did the usual Saturday work. Went to store. Rested. Jo & Marty here at noon. Marty flies back to Bozeman Montana tomorrow PM. He isn't feeling too well, has cold.

Sunday, August 22, 1999. Mostly fair, 81°. We went to church. Brought KFC home. Went to Rons in p.m., got tomatoes. Pauls didn't call.

Monday, August 23, 1999. Partly cloudy, 80s. I did laundry & rested. Didn't feel good, BP low and still have some cold. Paul called. They went to Maine for weekend. Ben went with them. Has 2 weeks off.

Tuesday, August 24, 1999. Fair, in 70s, nice day. I put 4 jars tomatoes in freezer to use in soup, etc. Went to bank. Deposited checks. Sold corn & beans. Ron took us to Target in PM. Got Pete razor & watch. I took Pete for haircut. Mildred Nafzger passed away early a.m. Just 2 weeks ago she fell at her home. Cynda Roth here awhile in evening.

Wednesday, August 25, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 78°. I quilted in morning. Rested in p.m. Watched some TV with Pete.

Thursday, August 26, 1999. Fair, 84°. I went to beauty S[hop] at 9:30. Got dinner. Rested & read. We went to birthday evening at Community Building. Nearly everyone there. Ron & Jo's anniversary. They went to visitation for Mildred [Nafziger].

Friday, August 27, 1999. Nice day, 85°. We went to funeral for Mildred Nafziger. Nice service. We stayed for lunch. Gene invited us. Don Nester had surgery on his shoulder. Ron spent some time with him. Some tests showed there was some malignancy. We're waiting for reports. We hope for the best.

Saturday, August 28, 1999. Clear, nice day, warmer, 89° – 90°. I went to grocery [store]. We went to Rons, got tomatoes. Put 3 pints in freezer. Gave Willens some. Don Nester got along good in OR, about 5 hours. Removed some ribs, tumor size of tennis ball.

Sunday, August 29, 1999. Another nice day, little cooler, breezy. We went to church. Ron preached at Hopedale. We went to Grand Café. Home rest of day. Allens called. They got home from Randys at 6:00 p.m. Had good time. Paul called. Ben will be there another week.

Monday, August 30, 1999. Lovely day, 73°. I did laundry. Made rhubarb crisp & roast beef & eggplant. Ron had dinner with us. Nice to have him. Had thank you note from Pat. The twins are going to preschool.

Tuesday, August 31, 1999. Nice day. Took papers to recycle. Got gas & got some groceries at Kroger, hamburger & chicken. Put it in freezer. Rested in p.m. Hard to get rid of my cold.

Wednesday, September 1, 1999. Mostly fair, warmer, near 90. I quilted at BroMenn. Rons took us to visitation for Bill Walters at Kibler Smith [Funeral Home]. Beverly & her family there. Bill hadn't been well for [a] number of years.

Thursday, September 2, 1999. 91°, hazy. I did usual work. 3 meals. Read some. Watered flowers and roses. Allen called. They are coming tomorrow evening for Yeakel reunion.

Friday, September 3, 1999. Partly cloudy, 90° – 91°. I had permanent in a.m. Got groceries in p.m. Baked coffeecake. Did some cleaning. Allens got here at 9:00 PM. Good to see them.

Saturday, September 4, 1999. Mostly fair, 91°. We visited with Allens. They went to Yeakel reunion. Allens took us to a Mexican restaurant. Rons & Jon joined us. They all came to house. Jo brought pie. Had dessert.

Sunday, September 5, 1999. Fair. Allens left at 8:45 for Polaski Iowa. The church had special [service]. They had invitation. Allens were members there awhile. I went to reception at church for Scott Reeser & his wife. Pete didn't go. Louise sent supper home for Pete. Arthurs called. Allen called. They got home okay. Paul called, they are okay.

Monday, September 6, 1999. Clear day, 77°. I did laundry & ironed some. Went to Rons, got potatoes & tomatoes.

Tuesday, September 7, 1999. Nice day, 84°. I woke up at 4:30 a.m. having chills. 99.4 temp. Ron took me to Dr. at 10:15. Dr. called it Viral Syndrome. Feel week. Had some diarrhea in evening. Didn't go to Women's meeting.

Wednesday, September 8, 1999. Clear, 81°. Nice day. I didn't go to quilt, still feel kinda weak. Did some odd jobs. Paid bills, etc. Read some & rested. Hazel Yoder here, got rosebuds for tomorrow evening. Joyce (D... unclear) is getting married. Having a shower.

Thursday, September 9, 1999. Another nice day, 74°. I went to B[eauty] shop in a.m. We went to Aldis in PM. I went to shower for Joyce D at MRC building. Nice evening.

Friday, September 10, 1999. Nice day, 78°. I baked apple crisp & baked chocolate chip cookies. Done cleaning. Went to pharmacy & grocery [store]. Watered flowers & roses.

Saturday, September 11, 1999. Another nice day, 80s. We went with Rons to Ropp Reunion at Elms. 20 there. Steves & children there too. Jane Bell refuses to be president again & Chris Imhoff isn't able to do the bulletin. Ron elected president & Steve (unclear) bulletin & computer work. Allen called. He worked outside most of day.

Sunday, September 12, 1999. Fair in a.m. Cloudy and shower in late p.m. We went to church. Our small group met at Don Nesters. 12 there. I took pineapple cherry dessert. Don seems to feel better & [is] in good spirits. Pauls called, they are fine. Pantagraph had article about Pete never missing a Ropp Reunion. They interviewed him Saturday at Elms.

Monday, September 13, 1999. Clear, 68°, breezy from Northwest. I did the laundry. Rested. Did some mending.

Tuesday, September 14, 1999. Beautiful day, 74°. I went to Casey's, got flowerpot for a rooted violet leaf. Went to pharmacy. Rested. Didn't sleep well last night. Went to Rons. Got tomatoes & onions. Put 3 pints tomatoes in freezer.

Wednesday, September 15, 1999. Another fine day, 70°. I got TB vaccine. Had pro-time, was okay. Quilted awhile. Went to Garfield [club] at 12:45. Met at Denny's. Gene Nafziger cleaning out Mildred's apartment. Pete working puzzles & reading & watching TV.

Thursday, September 16, 1999. Lovely day, 71°. We went to bank. Took out CD. Went to Gailey's, had glasses adjusted. Rested in p.m., was tired. Cooked the heart & tongue Rons gave us when they brought some pork.

Friday, September 17, 1999. Nice day, 73°. I did some cleaning. Went to BroMenn. Had TB shot, read all okay. Got dinner. Went to Birkelbaws, got apples & few peaches. I watered flowers & roses in evening.

Saturday, September 18, 1999. Another nice day, warmer, 76°. I finished the weekly cleaning. Went to grocery store. Made bread pudding & salad dressing. Went to grocery store. Did some odd jobs. Allen called. They are having nice weather also. Ron was here few minutes in a.m.

Sunday, September 19, 1999. Cloudy. We had shower in morning. We went to church. Rons & we went to Golden West. Used Rays gift certificate. We went to MRC meeting at 2:00. Jo there also. She went to school after meeting. Paul called. They spent the weekend at Vermont.

Monday, September 20, 1999. Partly cloudy, 66°. I did laundry. Went to pharmacy. Did some ironing. Made sausage casserole for dinner. Rested a while.

Tuesday, September 21, 1999. Fair, 65°. I did some changing our clothes in closet. Sorted out some winter coats for Good Will. Put some summer clothes away. Paid some bills.

Wednesday, September 22, 1999. Lovely day, 48° – 72°, clear. I quilted in morning. We went to Rons in p.m. Got some tomatoes & lettuce & squash. Gerlof Homan was digging his sweet potatoes. Gave us some.

Thursday, September 23, 1999. Another nice day, 78°. I went to B[eauty] shop in morning & grocery store. Rested some in p.m. and baked quick coffeecake. Sent birthday cards to Brittany, Pam & Ashley. Chet Roth fell in morning. Was out walking, broke his nose.

Friday, September 24, 1999. Partly cloudy, 74°. I did some cleaning. Went to store in PM. Ron here few minutes in morning. Came back in p.m. Brought Jo's cake carrier. I'm baking angel food cake for Jon's birthday. Watered roses in evening. They are still blooming.

Saturday, September 25, 1999. Fair, 86°. I went to pharmacy and did some cleaning. Baked an angel food cake for Jon's birthday. Rons, Jon & Julie here. Had lasagna. Jo brought coleslaw, had applesauce, ice cream & cake. Was nice to have them. Enjoyed the evening. Allen called. They were canning tomatoes & made chili. Got tomatoes from Pam.

Sunday, September 26, 1999. Partly cloudy, windy, in 80s. We went to church. Had lunch at Avanti's. Home rest of day. Called Arthur, talked to Georgia. She is feeling some better. Paul called. They are busy but doing okay.

Monday, September 27, 1999. 74°, cloudy to partly cloudy. I did laundry & some ironing. We went to garden at 4:00. Got lettuce, potatoes & onions & few tomatoes.

Tuesday, September 28, 1999. 78°, cloudy, started to rain about 2:00. Showered most of afternoon into evening. I went to bank & store. Polished silverware in p.m.

Wednesday, September 29, 1999. In 60s. Had an inch [of] rain last night. I volunteered in morning, starting on another large quilt. I cleaned kitchen in PM. Washed woodwork.

Thursday, September 30, 1999. 39° – 71°, sunshiny, breezy. I baked apple crisp & filled piecrust with apples. Had chicken casserole for lunch. Took Andy's pictures to Sayles (Gayles?) place. Andys want a print of theirs that we have. Went to K Mart & card place.

Friday, October 1, 1999. Partly cloudy, 68°, nice day. I went to beauty shop. Did weekly cleaning. We sat outside about an hour. When Pete got up his legs wouldn't hold him. Art Willems (neighbor) was outside. He came & helped. Also got Marvin Thompson (neighbor). They got Pete to his chair. We think he got too much sun. Seems okay. Ate supper & is all right. Appreciate help of neighbors. Pauls to California to Marj's niece's wedding.

Saturday, October 2, 1999. Cloudy, had rain in forenoon, chilly, 58°. I went with Marie Heiser & Winifred Maxwell to alumni homecoming. Was at ISU at 9:30. Had brunch & meeting at 1857 room. Good attendance, probably 70. We had tour of Edwards Hall where College of Nursing will be. Ron brought some sandwiches, had lunch with Pete. Allens called.

Sunday, October 3, 1999. A chilly rainy day. Rained most of day. We went to church, had communion. Visited with Roy & Alice Martin during Sunday school. They leave in morning for North Dakota. We had dinner at home.

Monday, October 4, 1999. Clear, cool, in 50s. I did laundry & went to pharmacy. Took Pete to Dr. Dennis at 3:00. Had a pressure sore or Decubitus. Are to go to Wound Healing Center at Physician Building on Wednesday [the] 6th. Pauls called. They got home from California Sunday night at 11:00. Wedding was nice.

Tuesday, October 5, 1999. Nice day, 60s. I baked date pudding & made peanut butter bars. Made vegetable soup. Rested & worked on pillowcases. I went to Women's meeting. Barb *Nathan* (sp?) spoke about Cancer Center.

Wednesday, October 6, 1999. Beautiful day, 68°. Ron took us to healing Center at 8:15. Dr. saw Pete. I went to Dr. Wera's office for Pro time. Got back at 9:35. Ron had pigs to take to Congerville. I went back to hospital, quilted awhile. Rested in p.m. Pete is to lie on his side every 2 hours. Marge W[eaever] here during Jr. choir.

Thursday, October 7, 1999. Another fine day, 75°. I went to bank and pharmacy in morning. Made casserole for lunch. I went to visitation for Eunice Hoover. Steves brought pizza for our supper. Had applesauce & relishes & cookies. Cindy brought a raspberry custard pie. Always glad when they can come. The children are growing up.

Friday, October 8, 1999. Rained in morning, cloudy, little sunshine 4 PM. I went to B[eauty] shop at 8:30. Did weekly cleaning. Myrna [Park], Ina [Sutter], Vera [Wallace] & I met at MRC Building at 1:00. Made plans for September – October birthday party. Earl K[aufman]s brought some tomatoes & black walnut meats.

Saturday, October 9, 1999. Cloudy, rained in morning. We went to LeRoy Loepp & Jackie Lawrence's wedding. Large wedding, very nice. Rons small group had charge of serving lunch. Good to see Doug & Dawn Harms. Allen called. We wished him a Happy Birthday tomorrow. Had a tray of fruit from Randy. Someone opened box. 1/3 of fruit was taken out of tray.

Sunday, October 10, 1999. Foggy in morning. Sun came out, a beautiful warm day. We went to church. Brought KFC home. I made pan [of] apples. Went to Rons at 5:00 for wiener roast. Rons small group invited our group to join their group. Don [Nester]s & we only ones from our group [who] came. Lovely evening. Julie got us, brought us home. Pauls called. He was at Yale University yesterday. They are okay.

Monday, October 11, 1999. Another nice day, 71°. Ron took us to wound healing clinic. Pete's Decubitus is better [for] which we are grateful. I did laundry & extra machine in p.m. Tried to contact P[ost] O[ffice] about our package, but didn't answer.

Tuesday, October 12, 1999. A nice day. I wanted to baked coffeecake but didn't feel well in morning, shaky, but no temp. Went to Lynn Raders, got pumpkins, etc. for MRC birthday party. Rested in p.m.

Wednesday, October 13, 1999. Cloudy in morning, fair in p.m., 62°. Temp dropped in p.m., 52°. I volunteered in morning, quilted. Made coffee cake in p.m. Rested.

Thursday, October 14, 1999. Nice day, 61°. Had frost last night. I went with Jeanette to HEA this p.m. I went to Schyler to get Andy's picture we had made for them. Went to grocery [store] & pharmacy.

Friday, October 15, 1999. Lovely day, rather breezy. I baked coffeecake braid. Mailed Andy's pictures. Went to BroMenn, got more dressing for Pete. Went to grocery [store] in PM. Did some weekly cleaning. Rons left at noon for Bluffton homecoming, Jo's 40th anniversary.

Saturday, October 16, 1999. Cloudy day, rained in morning. I went to B[eauty] shop at 10:00. Did some cleaning. Baked rhubarb crisp. Pete is little better, is lying down quite a lot to keep pressure off it. Ina Sutter fell at Fisher church, broke her hip. Brought her back to BroMenn, took her to OR.

Sunday, October 17, 1999. Colder, cloudy in a.m., sunshine at noon. We went to church. Ate at Grand Café. Home rest of day. Allen called. Micks were there this p.m. Ron called. They got back from Bluffton this p.m. Had good time. Paul called, they are okay. Andys were there for weekend.

Monday, October 18, 1999. Clear, 29° – 54°, frosty morning. Ron took us to Wound Healing Center at 8:30. Pete's Decubitus is better. Go back in 2 weeks. I did laundry. Rested. Earl K[aufman] brought us some tomatoes, [we] appreciate them. Deb called. Thanked her for the fruit.

Tuesday, October 19, 1999. Fair, 61°. We paid bills. Went to bank and pharmacy. We had lunch with Rosa [Girdler], Dorothy [Scogin] & Frieda [Shinall]. Ate at '76. [It] has changed hands. Glad to see them. I baked cookies in p.m. Gave Rons some & grandchildren [some] for Halloween.

Wednesday, October 20, 1999. Nice day, 50s. I quilted in morning. Had pro-time taken. Went to Garfield luncheon at Perkins. Stopped to see Ina Sutter. She is doing fairly well.

Thursday, October 21, 1999. Fair, 37° – 73°, windy. We went to Sr. dinner at church. Louise & Ralph *Belles* (sp?) talked about Peace Corps. I watered roses in p.m. Ron here at 11:00. Gave him cookies. He's painting some Mariannes. Got dried fruit from Swiss Colony. They replace the one that was broken into.

Friday, October 22, 1999. Fair, windy, 50s. Did some cleaning. Went with Jeanette to Auxiliary Luncheon at 12:00. Pete got along okay.

Saturday, October 23, 1999. Clear, nice day, rather chilly, 58° – 60°. Finished weekly cleaning. Went to pharmacy. Went to Rons in p.m. Got lettuce and I cut ½ dozen rosebuds. Brot them in. They predict temp in 20s tonight.

Sunday, October 24, 1999. Clear, rather chilly. We went to church. Rons and we to Chinese restaurant on N. Main. Were home rest of day. I called Arthurs. Georgia is some better. Talked to Arthur. Allen and Paul called. They are all okay.

Monday, October 25, 1999. Another nice day, 30° – 63°. I did the laundry. Went to BroMenn. Got some dressing for Pete. His Decubitus is much better.

Tuesday, October 26, 1999. Nice day, 67°. I made meatloaf & scalloped potatoes. Took Pete to get a haircut in p.m. Paid our rent. Took check to church.

Wednesday, October 27, 1999. Lovely day. I quilted in morning. Rested some in p.m. Pulled up some of the frozen flowers. Marge Weaver here during Jr. choir practice.

Thursday, October 28, 1999. Another nice day, 78°. I went to B[eauty] shop in morning. Baked pumpkin dessert for tonight's birthday party. Vera [Wallace], Myrna [Park], Erma & me went to Community Building to set up. I decorated tables with pumpkins, corn & gourds. Went to birthday party. Was nice evening. 32 or 33 there. I wrote in circle letter.

Friday, October 29, 1999. Beautiful day, 78°. I went to grocery store. Got dinner. Steves had dinner with us. Had pork chops & sauerkraut. I did some cleaning. Vera W[allace] brought us yellow tomatoes. I watered roses.

Saturday, October 30, 1999. Fair, 78°, nice day. I finished weekly cleaning. Went to bank. Rested. Pulled up the petunias. Most of them had been frosted. Had letter and thank you card from Pam & family. Evelyn B[early] called. She & Bill are alright.

Sunday, October 31, 1999. Partly cloudy, 70s. I went to church. Pete didn't feel like going. His leg hurting. We had spaghetti for dinner. Brett & Emma [Lovellette] here, trick-or-treat. Cindy & children also here. Ron here before going to Home Builders at church. Allen called. They plan to come next weekend. Pauls called. They are okay. Had nice weekend.

Monday, November 1, 1999. Cloudy, 73° but temps dropping in evening. Ron took us to Wound Healing Clinic. Pete's place on lower back healed. Don't need to go back. We had our flu shots at Conference Room. Glad Ron could take us. He cut up the pumpkin for me. I cooked it. Went to do some baking.

Tuesday, November 2, 1999. 43°, quite a change from yesterday, windy. I went to pharmacy & grocery store. Baked cookies in p.m. Gave Rons some. Ron brought us some apples & potatoes.

Wednesday, November 3, 1999. Fair, 26° – 43°. I went to hospital, quilted. Had protime taken. Need to take more Coumadin. Had some extra work to do when I got home. Some washing too. I baked pumpkin bread. Marge W[eaver] here during Jr. choir.

Thursday, November 4, 1999. I went to B[eauty] shop at 10:00. Stopped at grocery [store]. I took 2 coffee cakes & loaf of pumpkin bread to BroMenn for the Bake sale tomorrow. Did some odd jobs. Sent for pig calendar for Ron.

Friday, November 5, 1999. Nice day, got to 70°, breezy. I did weekly cleaning. Went to Bazaar. Brought lunch home for us. Got peanut butter fudge. I went to pharmacy. Allens got here before 7:00 p.m. They went to Steves for the night.

Saturday, November 6, 1999. Nice day, partly cloudy, 60s. Allen & Shirley came in morning. Washed all our windows. Nice day to do it. Sure appreciated it. Allens back to Steves. We were all at Steves for delicious meal. Rons there too.

Sunday, November 7, 1999. Fair, nice day. We went to church. Had couple (missionaries) spoke. Had potluck dinner. We didn't stay. Had lunch at Bob Evans. Allens left for home before church. Pauls called. They are okay. Andys were in Florida to a conference for weekend.

Monday, November 8, 1999. Another nice warm day, 78°. Unusual weather for November. I did laundry, also washed some sweaters. Wanted to water the roses but they had unhooked the hose. Sent for cheese spreads for Evelyn & Bill [Bearly] (Figi's). 3 years ago today we moved here.

Tuesday, November 9, 1999. Fair, 78°, nice day. I paid some bills. Washed 2 sweaters and 2 dresses. Ron on radio on Ken Behrends show. Talked about ADD. I baked a cherry coffeecake.

Wednesday, November 10, 1999. Fair, breezy, 69°. I quilted at BroMenn in morning. Had protime taken. Was better than week ago. I watered roses in p.m. Ron on ISU radio at 5:00. Talked on ADD. Marge Weaver here in evening.

Thursday, November 11, 1999. Partly cloudy, 52°. I went to HEA. Jeanette on day bus trip. Had 2 speakers telling about taxes. I went to grocery [store]. Rested some.

Friday, November 12, 1999. Foggy early, fair, 66°. I went to bank & grocery [store]. Made fruitcakes. Did some cleaning. Paul Miller here. Told about his trip to [Senior] Olympics in Florence. Got several medals.

Saturday, November 13, 1999. Beautiful day, warm, 66°. I went to B[eauty] shop. Made Rhubarb crisp. Finished weekly cleaning. Rested. Ron put dirt around the roses. Allen called. They were working outside. Ben called, said he wouldn't be here Thanksgiving. Hopes to come soon.

Sunday, November 14, 1999. Fair, cooler. We went to church. Had sandwiches, finger foods for lunch. Had Congregational meeting. Home by 2:00. Home rest of day. Paul called. They went to Albany Thursday evening. Andy was inducted into Honor Society.

Monday, November 15, 1999. Nice day, 30° – 53°. Ron took me to Gailey's at 9:00. Stopped at Kroger's. He went to Target for us. Exchanged Pete's razor, [it] quit working. Ron had dinner with us. Had chili & salad etc. I did laundry. Cooked a soup bone that Ron got for me. Appreciate all she & Jo do for us.

Tuesday, November 16, 1999. Nice day, 29° – 51°. I made ginger cookies. Made vegetable soup. Put 5 packages of chicken in freezer. Baked apple crisp.

Wednesday, November 17, 1999. Fair, little cooler. I quilted in morning. Got Pete's lunch. I went to Garfield club at Denny's in PM. I watered roses. Marge Weaver here during choir practice. Ron to Louisville Kentucky. Marty there at cattle show.

Thursday, November 18, 1999. Fair, windy, 73°, broke records. I stirred up snickerdoodle cookies. Baked them late PM. Did some cleaning in our bedroom. Washed the dresser scarves. I went to B[eauty] shop at 1:45, had a permanent. Ron home from Louisville.

Friday, November 19, 1999. Cloudy in morning, had light sprinkles early morning. I went to bank, pharmacy & grocery [store]. Did some cleaning. Tim Schrag here awhile in p.m. Ron stopped in. Gave him ginger cookies.

Saturday, November 20, 1999. Fair, 36° – 51°. Finished weekly cleaning. Had car washed with wax. Went to Aldis. Went to Birkelbaws, got some apples. Ron went to Chicago. Got some of Ben's things. He's leaving his apartment. Ben has been depressed and having some drug problems. Pauls in Chicago helping Ben.

Sunday, November 21, 1999. Mostly cloudy to partly cloudy. We went to church. Rons and we to Red Lobster for Jo's birthday. Ron told us about Ben. We feel very badly about it. Pauls called. They got home about 3:00 this p.m. Ben goes to Minnesota Tuesday for treatment. We hope and pray he will be helped. Allen called. They are okay.

Monday, November 22, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 62°. I did the laundry. Ron came as we were eating so he joined us. Had spaghetti. He transplanted our evergreen tree to bigger pit. I went to card shop & pharmacy. Norma Denzer is very weak. Ron was there before he came here. Jon Wallace passed away yesterday evening.

Tuesday, November 23, 1999. Cloudy, showers, 63°. Rained again in evening. We paid bills. Went to Dr. Wera at 10:30. Changed some in medication. B[lood] P[ressure] up some. Have blood work done in 2 weeks. I baked Yummy cookies in p.m.

Wednesday, November 24, 1999. Fair, 50s. I quilted in morning. Went on some errands. Got gas & stamps. Marge Weaver here during Jr. choir practice. Children came over after practice.

Thursday, November 25, 1999. Thanksgiving day. Fair in morning, cloudy in p.m. I baked pumpkin pie & made caramels. We went to Rons at 12:30. Had big dinner at 1:30. I took pie and few cookies. Jon & Julie were there. Had nice day and so much to be thankful for. We came home about 5:00. Arthur in Georgia called in morning. They're going to Kathy's for dinner. Marty called. He was on his way to Nebraska. Good to hear from him. Ben called from Minnesota. He likes it there. He seems to be doing better. Paul called. They had 15 for dinner. He was glad Ben called.

Friday, November 26, 1999. Fair in a.m., mostly cloudy in p.m., 52°. I went to bank & pharmacy. Made white bark cookies. Did some cleaning.

Saturday, November 27, 1999. I baked coffeecake. Did some cleaning. Went to pharmacy [to] get eyedrops. I went to reception for Bob & Ethelyn Troyer. Mary Ann Watkins' parents. Had musical program. Allen called. Jeffs were there on their way home from Pat's mothers. Micks were at Allens Thanksgiving.

Sunday, November 28, 1999. Nice day. We went to church. Brot KFC home. Quiet p.m. Read, rested. Wrote Micks thank you note for magazines they ordered for Christmas. Jo went to school awhile. Pauls called. They hadn't heard from Ben since Thursday.

Monday, November 29, 1999. Clear, 27° – 41°. Did laundry. Ron came in p.m. Put up lights on garage & blanket of lights on some of shrubbery. He cut the roses & put cones on them. Sure appreciate having that done. I didn't feel very well when I got up, shaky. Better in forenoon.

Tuesday, November 30, 1999. Nice day, 41°. I baked carrot cookies. Went to bookstore. Got cards & diary, then to Eastland and got tray of dried fruit at Swiss colony for Jeanette, & some hose.

Wednesday, December 1, 1999. Partly cloudy, 40s. I quilted in a.m. Made sugar plum cookies (date balls). Marge Weaver here short time. Pete watched TV & worked crossword puzzles. Norma Denzer passed away, [she] had cancer. Feel sorry for family. Funeral Saturday morning. Called Allens. Told them about Norma.

Thursday, December 2, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 62°. We addressed Christmas cards. Went to Prime Timers at noon. Hadn't been there for long time.

Friday, December 3, 1999. Cloudy, 59°, had some rain last night. I went to beauty shop at 8:30. Got groceries. Ron took us to visitation for Norma Denzer at 2:30. Norma will be missed. Mary Helen Schrock passed away. Sorry [we] can't get over to Eureka. Rons, Allens & we are giving a Memorial for Norma (Hospice).

Saturday, December 4, 1999. 50s, had rain last night ended drizzly today. Good shower this evening. I baked Crescent cookies. Did usual work and cleaning. Made Bing cherry salad for surprise luncheon tomorrow.

Sunday, December 5, 1999. Cloudy, chilly and gloomy day, Misty & rainy at times but we need rain. We went to church. We were at Gerlof Homans for surprise luncheon. Nice time. Ron & I & Winifred Maxwell to ISU for celebration for Cathy Hogan's retirement from Mennonite College of Nursing. Had reception & dinner. Nice evening. Whether not so good, rain & snow. Evelyn called, also Paul called while I was gone. Allen called earlier.

Monday, December 6, 1999. 22° – 36°. Had snow last night. Looks like Christmas. Clear, nice day. I went to hospital for blood work. Had breakfast there. Went to [Dr.] Wera's office. B[lood] P[ressure] up some. Did laundry. Went to pharmacy & grocery [store]. Stirred up sugar cookies. Gordon R[opp] brought us a poinsettia.

Tuesday, December 7, 1999. Partly cloudy, 44°. I baked sugar cookies and iced them. Went to pharmacy. I went to Women's meeting. Had program & refreshments. Nice evening.

Wednesday, December 8, 1999. Partly cloudy. I quilted in morning. Went to Kroger's, got hamburger, put in freezer. Made cherry walnut bars. Ron here in morning, brought some apples. He has a cold. Marge Weaver here in evening. Brought us a poinsettia.

Thursday, December 9, 1999. Fair in morning, cloudy. Started to rain mid afternoon and continued most of evening. I went with Jeanette to HEA. Had potluck. I took eggs. We wrote Christmas checks in PM. I cooked some apples.

Friday, December 10, 1999. Clear, 44°. I went to grocery [store] & pharmacy. Cooked some tapioca. Did some cleaning. Made peanut butter Rice Krispie bars. Ron here few minutes on way home. Brought batteries for our little tree.

Saturday, December 11, 1999. Fair. I went to B[eauty] shop at 9:00. Did some cleaning. Fixed cookies for church & Allens & for some of the neighbors.

Sunday, December 12, 1999. Cloudy. Julie here, cleaned dining [area] & around Pete's chair & kitchen. We went to church and to *Atrium* (sp?) for dinner. Ron brought batteries for Christmas tree. I put some decorations on. I went to children's program at 7:00. Pauls called. They're going to Minnesota Thursday to meeting for parents. Ben seems to be doing quite well.

Monday, December 13, 1999. Partly cloudy, 22° – 44°. Had heavy frost. Slick in places & fog. I did laundry. Took Pete to barbershop. Went to Aldis. Mixed up refrigerator rolls. Ina Sutter returned home after 2 months in hospital & nursing home.

Tuesday, December 14, 1999. Cloudy, Misty at times, in 40s. I baked pecan rolls. Took some to Ina [Sutter], also cookies. Has [have?] some for Rons. I wrapped some gifts (dish cloths & Scrubbies) for the girls. Rained in the night.

Wednesday, December 15, 1999. Cloudy, 38°, Misty and rain mixed with some snow later in day. I went to St. Joe [Hospital] at 9:00. Had pacemaker checked. All okay [for] which I'm grateful. Went to bank at 11:45. Jeanette & I went to open house hosted by Duff Knudsen & Betty Dorsey. I made apple crisp. Marge Weaver here few minutes. Ron brought a decoration for our door. I appreciated it. Got box of fruit from Evelyn & Bill [Bearly].

Thursday, December 16, 1999. Clear, cold, 19° – 30°. I made chili. Went to grocery [store]. Put up some decorations in p.m. Ron brought me some greenery in morning. We went to birthday party at MRC Building. Good crowd. Pete has pain in his back.

Friday, December 17, 1999. Partly cloudy, chilly. Pete not feeling any better. Lot of back pain. Called Dr.'s office. Couldn't get in. They're open from 5 – 9. So Jo came from school. Took us to Carle [Clinic]. Went out at 6:00, long line. We got home about 9:00. Dr. ordered antibiotics & (unclear) for pain. He slept fairly well.

Saturday, December 18, 1999. Cloudy in morning, sunshine in p.m., cold. Rons called Carolyn Roth. She came to home at 2:00. Saw Pete. He has rash on abdomen. Have ointment to put on. Allens got here around 2:00. Good to see them. We had chili & vegetable soup.

Sunday, December 19, 1999. Mostly cloudy, 40s. Allen took care of Pete. He still has lots of pain. We didn't go to church. Shirley went to help Jo. She's getting dinner for Steves & Bill Ramseyers & Conference Minister & his wife. Jon came & stayed with Pete. I went to dinner. Steve's ordination was at 2:30. Jo stayed with Pete. Nice service. Sorry couldn't all be there. Ron & I took Pete to ER after the service. ER took x-rays. No broken bones. [Gave him] medication for nausea & pain. Ron stayed all night. Paul called from Minnesota. Meeting going well. They'll be home Wednesday.

Monday, December 20, 1999. Fair, had some snow last night. Pete slept well, not as much pain. Grateful for that. Ron went home awhile in morning and had some meetings in PM. We are thankful he is available. Sorry to bother them so much. Ron here for lunch. Pete ate good dinner, first for several days. Ron here all night.

Tuesday, December 21, 1999. Clear, cold. We took Pete to Dr. at 11:00. He suggested we admit Pete to BroMenn, have some therapy for his legs. We took him to hospital about noon. Ron & I with him most of p.m. Ron came home at 5:00 to chore. Jo there after school. She & I stayed until Ron got back. We went to Avanti's. Got home at 8:00. Allen & Paul called.

Wednesday, December 22, 1999. Cloudy, snow flurries most of day. I went to hospital about 9:00. Also had pro-time done. Pete about same. They're doing some tests. Dermatologist saw him in p.m. Ron there short time. I came home at 4:30. Jeanette here, gave us popcorn & peanut brittle. Steve here in evening. Gave children gifts that we gave money for. Pauls home from Minnesota.

Thursday, December 23, 1999. Fair, 20s. I washed bedding in guest room. Paid bills & went to bank. I went to hospital at 9:30. Pete seems some better. They're giving him therapy. Rons there awhile over noon. Social worker met with us about moving him to nursing home Monday. Steves stopped on their way to Allens. Allen & Paul called.

Friday, December 24, 1999. Clear, cold, 12°. I didn't feel good in morning, had some fibrillation. Felt better midmorning. Went to hospital. Pete slept well. Had therapy. Did quite well. I came home at 4:30. Ron there in morning. Went back in evening. Took tape recorder, played Christmas carols. Ron took me to their home. Rays there for chili supper.

Saturday, December 25, 1999. Christmas day. Clear nice day. I went to hospital at 11:00. Pete feels some better. Rons, Jon & Julie came about 4:00. They brought gifts for Pete. He got lounging pants & jacket, candy, radio, slippers. Jon gave box from Hickory Farms. I got mixer, sweater & dish from Jon. We got box of fruit & meat from Rons, chime, gift certificate from Julie. Plastic tablecloth. We took Pete to cafeteria for supper. Got lovely centerpiece from Rons. We got lots of meat, beef from Allens. Pauls called. Allen called, family all there.

Sunday, December 26, 1999. Clear, windy. I went to church. Jo & I to Eastland. Got robe & PJs for Pete. We went to hospital. Jo & I to cafeteria. Ron with Pete. Tim & Sue Schrag came to see Pete. Ray & Carol came later. Marty called from Montana. His friend there. Paul called also. I came home at 4:30. Snowed 1 – 3 inches.

Monday, December 27, 1999. Cloudy in a.m., sunshine in p.m. I went to hospital at 9:00. Ron there too. Plans were all made to move Pete to McLean County Nursing Home. So sorry he isn't able to come home. Keep praying & hoping he will get better. It took awhile to get papers filled out. I came home to get more clothes for Pete. Ron took them to Home. I washed 1 load. Steves home from Iowa.

Tuesday, December 28, 1999. Temp 10° & 37°. Went to Nursing Home at 10:30. Pete slept fairly good. Therapist worked with Pete. He did quite well walking to bathroom. Tim Schrag came in p.m. They go to Kansas tomorrow. Steves came in p.m. They go to Ohio this evening. Jon & Rons there short time. I washed some of Pete's things. Went to pharmacy & grocery [store].

Wednesday, December 29, 1999. Clear, nice day, warmer. I went to B[eauty] shop. Norma is retiring. Will miss her. I went to Nursing Home at noon. Came home at 3:00. Had car washed. I made sausage & egg casserole for breakfast. Randys are coming for breakfast. Pete said he feels better today. Glad to hear it. Allen called. His Retirement Party was today. Evelyn called. Pauls called.

Thursday, December 30, 1999. Fair, 46°, nice day. Randys got here at 8:20. Glad to see them. Ron & Jo here too. Randys & I went to see Pete. He wasn't feeling quite as good as yesterday. Didn't sleep well. He was up in chair quite awhile. Went to Denny's for lunch. Randys brought me home & left for New Jersey at 1:50. I washed dishes. Went back to Home at 3:00.

Friday, December 31, 1999. Fair, nice day, 46°. I had pacemaker checked at 9:45. Ron helped me with some bills. I went to see Pete after lunch. He was feeling better. Up in chair quite awhile. He walked in hall [a] short distance. Glad he's better, just hope he continues. Deb called

this evening. They got home around 4:00 this morning. No trouble, just a long trip. I called Arthur this evening. Talked to Georgia. [She] still has pain in her face. The weather is better than last year, had blizzard [then]. Allen called. They are home alone.