

139 Vinsant
San Antonio, Texas 78235
18 April 1972

Dear Don,

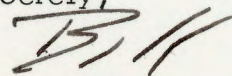
First, I must apologize for the inordinate delay in responding to the receipt of your package containing the exquisite points. I just cannot believe that such delicate workmanship can be accomplished using primitive flaking techniques. After I promised to send you the Ascension Island obsidian, I noted that it was quite grainy. I just could not believe that you could make anything out of it, but I decided to send in on anyway. You can imagine my surprise to find that you had been able to do something with it. I really can't tell you how proud I am to own these points. The ones made from the red obsidian are really gorgeous. I am impressed with the intricate workmanship on some of them, but the one tiny point that is most clear, the obsidian with the little cloud of red in it, is, I believe, my favorite.

Now to explain my delay in sending this letter. Just a few days after receiving your package, I received an urgent call to come to my mother's bedside in El Paso. She has been under treatment for some time, and they recently changed her medicines. She had a very unfavorable reaction to one of the new drugs and we really thought we had lost her. As it turned out, she did recover from this acute episode but remains in the hospital at this writing. I spent over two weeks at home, and this time was spent almost exclusively taking care of my 80-year old father. He is actually in very good health but has become quite despondent about Mother's condition. I am just now getting caught up with my office work and correspondence.

I don't believe I ever acknowledged receipt of the brochure which you sent me some months ago. I enjoyed reading it very much and was pleased to see what you really look like.

One of my other pursuits is corresponding with a variety of people by means of magnetic tape. If this sort of thing appeals to you and if you have a tape recorder, you might let me know and I will send you a tape one of these days. If it doesn't appeal to you, I understand completely. Some people don't care for that sort of thing at all.

Sincerely,



W. K. DOUGLAS
Colonel, USAF, MC

CC.3.3.90