

March 29, 1979
Route 1, Box 210
Kimberly, Idaho 83341

President Richard Gibb
University of Idaho
Office of the President
Moscow, Idaho 83843

Dear President Gibb:

I want to give my heartfelt thanks to you and the others that have supported me and made it possible to be so honored by receiving an honorary degree from the University of Idaho. I am so grateful to you for the time consuming work in planning and organizing such an exciting commencement. After your most welcome telephone call I was in a state of shock and afraid that I would awaken from a beautiful dream. This great happening is indeed one of the greatest emotional experiences of my life and I know of no words that can adequately express my gratitude.

It is so kind of you and your wife to offer a dinner invitation, this I will gladly accept and look forward to the special occasion to visit with you personally. Also it was kind and thoughtful of you to provide the company of Dr. Elizabeth Stevenson as my official host, I will welcome her company for moral support and guidance. For me to be chosen as one of the participants to receive an honorary degree and to be your guest and that of the University will be a stirring and memorable interlude in my life. I am only sorry that my late wife, Evelyn, will not be there to share with me this memorable event. Her encouragement and assistance made this all possible.

The requested information is as follows:

1. Name, Donald Eugene Crabtree
2. Photo and Vita enclosed
3. Hat size, 7-3/4, Height, 5'10", I would appreciate your furnishing the Academic costume.
4. I will need a single accommodation.

Again thanks seems so small to express my intermost feelings.

With kindest regards,

Don Crabtree

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