

White Plains, N.Y.
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Dear Mr & Mrs Davis

I know you won't remember me, but I'm a friend of James that took boat training with him in San Diego. I've been wanting to write you for some time but just now getting to it. Lately I've been reading in the papers about the U.S.S. Indianapolis James ship. I was wondering if James was a survivor from it. I really hope he is safe and I haven't heard from him in some time so I found his home address and thought I'd write to find out about him.

You may have heard him speak of me before. His birthday was one day before mine and my Dad is a barber as same as Mr. Davis. So maybe you've heard him speak about me. I'm J.W. Jewell from

Bay City, Texas and James and I
were great pals.

I hope you want mind me
writing and asking all these
questions but I just wanted
to know if James was safe.

I do hope he is well and safe
because we wanted to visit
each other when we get out
of the service.

Will close for this time.
Sincerely,
J.W.