My dearest Ellie

Believe it or not, I just received a copy of your comment. You posted it at the end of June, BTW printed and mailed me a copy less than a week later (which is normal by the way), it was post-dated on July 9th; but the prison will sometimes hold back mail to investigate it—by sending it to the SCDC headquarters—especially when it's something printed from a computer and looks to be from the internet. They just want to make sure we're not doing anything we shouldn't, that might be illegal. Unfortunately, but understandably, this was done with an envelope containing some of my June responses—but the SCDC committee has now reviewed it, along with the rest of this blog too, I'm sure, and has officially stamped it giving me a paper with their approval for BTW mail.

The committee stamped it on September 14th.

I got it today.

So, now I'm finally knowledgeable of your post and can comment to your comment:

I watch PBS a good bit, I like the foreign news much better than the local. I watch the German, the Japanese, and the British news shows almost daily; plus any episode of Nova, especially those dealing with astrophysics or quantum mechanics. I grew up watching things like Carl Sagan's "Cosmos" and things like National Geographic. There's a show coming on PBS tonight called "Death and the Civil War: American Experience: The Civil War death toll and how it affected the nation's psyche."

I just love to learn.

You asked why your middle name "Anne" has an "E" at the

end, and you say, "it's really odd."

Well, believe it or not "Ann" is a male name, and "Anne" is a female name. And no I'm not making that up. I have a book I use for my writing called: "The Writer's Digest Character Naming Sourcebook: Second Edition" by Sherrilyn Kenyon (author of the "Dark-Hunter" series), and it even agrees with me on this--Anne is suppose to have an "E" when used for a girl.

From page 119: Anna, Anne, Anja, Anneli, Anni, Annikki, Annukka, Anu-grace

From page 184: Ann, Anne, Ane, Annie, Anny, Ayn, Anna, Ana, Annette, Anetta, Anita, Anitra, Annora, Anais, Antje, Ance, Aneta, Anka, and the list goes on, plus it means the same thing: "grace," here it's listed under Female in the Hebrew section.

All the entries for "Ann" directly, and there four pages of them, one on page 220 being in the Irish section for Male names, having Ann as meaning "priceless" and a "form of Anthony." in German, Ann is also Male meaning "name of a King." Plus in Anglo-Saxon section it's listed as Male. So, really it's good that you have the "E" at the end.

Keep posting, I love you and will respond the moment I get them. Love Dad.