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DEAR MARY,

HI, I RECEIVED YOUR RESPONSE YOU SENT TO ME THROUGH MY BLOG SITE. I HAVE LIKE 2 PHOTO'S OF UNCLE TONY, THOUGH HE WAS MY GREAT UNCLE, I NEVER REALLY KNEW HIM. I HAVE A QUESTION FOR YOU. I DON'T KNOW YOU, THOUGH WE ARE RELATED, THERE IS SOMETHING MY FAMILY DOES NOT KNOW. WHEN THEY CAME HERE IN I THINK IT WAS 1904 FROM ITALY, SOMEHOW OUR LAST NAME WAS CHANGED FROM YOUR SPELLING TO HOW IT'S SPELLED IN MY NAME. I'M SURE YOU KNEW DEAN BEFORE HE DIED, HE TOLD ME THAT HE COULD NEVER FIND OUT WHO, HOW OR WHY IT WAS CHANGED. DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA? I'M GOING TO CALL MY MOM & SEE IF ANYONE HAS AN ADDRESS FOR YOU. I WAS A MESS MANY YEARS AGO. JUST 10 YEARS AGO I WOULDN'T BE A PERSON TO TALK TO FOR HELP. BUT WHO I HAVE GROWN TO BECOME TODAY, I ENJOY HELPING. I LIKE HELPING TO MAKE POSITIVE CHANGES. SO IF YOU'D LIKE, I'D BE GLAD TO TALK TO YOUR SON. PRISON, BEING ABANDONED, LOSING FAMILY, LOSING YOUR LIFE, THEY'RE ALL EXTREMELY HARD THINGS TO DEAL WITH. MOST PEOPLE HAVE TO DEAL WITH THEM ONE AT A TIME, BUT IN HERE, IT'S ALL AT ONCE USUALLY. THEN THE REALITY OF YOUR CRIMES CATCH UP TO YOU & BASICALLY JUST START TO FEEL LIKE CRAP. IF YOU'D LIKE FOR ME TO TRY TO TALK TO YOUR SON, CALL CINDY & GIVE HER THE DETAILS. UNCLE TONY WAS A MYSTERY TO ME, HE WAS THE LAST SURVIVING RELATIVE THAT I KNOW OF ON MY GRANDPOPS SIDE. I WOULD HAVE LOVED TO KNOW MORE ABOUT HIM, THEIR LIVES, THEIR STORY.

WELL I'M GOING TO LET YOU GO MARY. YOU TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF, & BE SURE TO CALL CINDY OR MY MOM & LET THEM KNOW. I DON'T EVEN KNOW YOUR SONS NAME & I GUESS HE'S MY COUSIN? WELL HE'D BE MY MOMS COUSIN SO MAYBE?, I'M NOT SURE WHAT THE TERM WOULD BE. BUT IT'S THE SAME BLOOD LINE AND I NEVER TURN MY BACK ON MY FAMILY. ANGER IS A PART OF PRISON, BUT AT SOME POINT YOU HAVE TO LEARN TO LET GO OF IT. I LET GO AWHILE AGO. I STILL HAVE FRUSTRATING DAYS BUT I'LL NEVER REVERT TO WHO I ONCE WAS.

AND AFTER SPEAKING TO MY PRIEST, I HAVE DECIDED TO STOP RESPONDING TO THE NEGATIVE COMMENTS I CONTINUE TO GET. I COULD PLEAD UNTIL I'M BLUE IN THE FACE BUT PEOPLE ARE SO JUDGMENTAL, SO HATEFUL. I HAD THOUGHT THAT PEOPLE WOULD SEE THE CHANGE, THEY WOULD SEE THAT THERE IS STILL GOOD IN PEOPLE IN PRISON BUT I DON'T <sup>think</sup> THEY WILL EVER TRULY SEE IT. THEY'LL JUST SEE THE CRIME. THOUGH I'M NOT INNOCENT OF TAKING A LIFE, THESE SAME PEOPLE FEEL THE SAME WAY TOWARDS MEN & WOMAN WHO WERE WRONGFULLY CONVICTED.

WELL YOU TAKE CARE MARY, & I HOPE THAT I CAN BE OF SOME HELP TO YOUR SON. MY ADDRESS IS ON MY BLOG PROFILE PAGE OR JUST CALL MY MOM OR CINDY. GOD BLESS. CIAO. HAPPY EASTER.

PS: WAS UNCLE TONY FLUENT IN ITALIAN?? SCRIVIMI PRESTO, CIAO.