







# Cerennial Time Capsule



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Mr. & Mrs. William J. Mitchell

and are Bequeathed Unto

☐ The Celebration Authorities of the Year 2020

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Gerald S. Sundret, Jr. and Descendants

21 June 1970  
101 Port Avenue  
Palm Harbor  
Rockport, Texas

Dear Grandchildren:

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We are writing this letter to you 50 years in advance and depositing it in a time capsule for the Centennial Celebration currently taking place here in Rockport. This capsule will not be opened until 21 June 2020 and we hope somehow, someday you will receive this, and know a little more about your parents, grandparents and the general war situation at this date.

you are just a young man  
a young Crundgett,  
& I College and working  
right. He still has two  
ing degree, so it will be  
about raising a family. Your parents  
this day and age. They do not smoke cigarettes, marijuana,  
like LSD or do any of the "way-out" things which have become so  
commonplace. I suppose the only "vice" your father has is his  
love for surfing at St. Joseph Island.

Your Great-Great Grandfather on your father's side, Ham Smith, had the distinction of being the second baby born in Gransas County. The Brundrett's first settled on Black Jack Peninsula, then crossed St. Charles Bay and settled on Samar Peninsula before moving to Rockport. In the Rockport area now, there are only 2 boys left to carry on the Brundrett family name, your father and his second cousin but we don't know his name.

We are your grand parents on your mother's side. My wife and Betty L. Mitchell, are considered together in being moved here in 1966 and have this with us. Out of six children, there are only two left. One is 15 and Debra Charlene is 16. The other is living in Dallas with her husband Shorty Grey and two children, Vicki Lynn, 4, and Spike 1. Our only boy, Gary Lane Barnum, was killed in Viet Nam War in March 1968 at the age of 18. Then your mother was next in line and another daughter, Brenda Sue is 18 but living in Houston. I have already told you of the two left at home.

At this time, the world is generally in a mess with wars taking place in Viet Nam, Cambodia, Israel and Egypt. Here in the United States we have our own war with racial problems, the hippie movement and narcotics, college campus riots and street crimes. They are talking of legalizing marijuana which we think is wrong. There have been many events and discoveries in our lifetime: The assassination of President Mr. J. Kennedy, invention of atom and hydrogen bombs, jet aircraft, on 11, (your grandfather was in the Death March at the end of this war and spent the next 7 years in Japanese

prison camp). The most amazing accomplishment of all, the United States landed men on the moon in 1969. In all probability, there will be a city on the moon by the time you read this. We have a Republican President, Richard M. Nixon, who is doing a good job considering all the obstacles.

I thought you might find the prices of a few things interesting to compare with yours in 2020: Regular gas - 30¢ gallon, Eggs - 55¢ doz. Milk - 1.25 gallon, Bread - 30¢ loaf, Hamburger meat - 65¢ lb, 1.00 lb. Women's clothing is quite short, about 6 inches to knees at least for the young women. It appears that fashion is becoming more fast. Several plays being performed contain what are obscene. I can't see 50 years from now or more clothes. It appears time with several wide and many motion pictures. What the clothes will even be.

Close this letter, I want you to know we have lived a full and happy life with lots of love for our children and the people near us. Our children are the most precious heritage anyone could ever have so live each day to the fullest and may God grant you love, peace, and happiness for your lifetime.

Your loving Grandparents,

*William J. and Betty L. Mitchell*

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