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DEAR SIR,
JOHN VAN KOOTEN,

My husband and I were married 40 years Jan 16th. We had a crowded Honeymoon at Niagara Falls almost 3 1/2 years after we were married along with our oldest daughter, our new puppy and I was again pregnant 7 month with our second daughter.

We arrived early evening and found a motel (none excepted dog of course) so we sneaked her in and told our daughter if the dog (do do's) on the rug tell us so we can clean it right away. Where as the toddler went to the bathroom and got toilet tissue and ran around after the puppy telling it to (do do) here holding the toilet tissue under the puppy's rear parts.

It was really very funny.

Everytime we went out to eat we got stares as we ordered hot dogs and hamburger without rolls (for our puppy you see).

After a good night rest we started our sight seeing. To this day I can still say I have not a sight that was as beautiful and lasting in my memory as the falls. It was breath taking. It had a certain unequalled serenity that is engraved in my feeling yet today.

During our marriage we have been blest with seven wonderful children, as each child was growing up every year we would say, next year we are going to take you to the Falls. Well they are all grown and married now with children of their own, except the youngest still at home and we never made it back to the Falls. But our intentions are still embedded in our hearts and as soon as my husband retires probably next year, we are coming for another look at your magnificent Falls and feel the serenity once more.

Most Sincerely Yours

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