Strictly Personal

Lonesome Hearts

Gentle, loving, black man would like to meet slender female, 20-32 who needs care and love. Absolutely no drug users or smokers. Photo and phone number a must for reply. For more, write to CC 247.

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44-year-old black, Christian, attractive female would like to meet Christian gentleman, 40 plus. If you are sincere and interested in establishing a meaningful relationship with someone who is dependable and honest, please reply. CC 248.

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Attractive, interesting, black female, 58, intelligent, respectable and honest, would like to meet gentleman, 60-70 with same qualities for meaningful relationship. No smokers or drinkers. Must have car. For more, write to CC 249.

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North Carolina black male, early 30's, 6'1", medium brownskinned, considerate, varied interests, would like to establish friendship with female Aries, Leos and others in North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia. If possible, send photo and phone number with first reply. CC 250.

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Attractive, middleaged, brownskinned lady, living in Maryland area would like to meet an honest, sincere, respectable gentleman, 60-75, for meaningful relationship. No phonies. Photo and phone number appreciated. For more, write to CC 251.

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Shy, lightskinned male, 24, interested in meeting single ladies for a caring, honest and meaningful relationship. If possible, send phone number with first letter. Will answer all. CC 242.

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Sincere, honest gentleman, 59, employed, would like to meet lady, 30-60, who is mature, sincere, honest and understanding, for possible sharing relationship. Will answer. CC 243.

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Single black male, 6', 200 pounds, would like to meet affectionate, attractive, sincere, childless, non-smoking lady, 35-50 for a nice, quiet relationship. If possible, send photo and phone number with first letter. For more, write to CC 244.

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Black, 48-year-old professional female would like to meet a sincere, honest, successful gentleman who is romantic and desires a meaningful relationship. No addicts or inmates. Photo and phone number requested. Write to CC 245.

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Black Christian divorcee, plump but attractive, would like to meet interesting, sincere, ordinary or country-type gentleman for sincere relationship. For more, write to CC 246.

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Successful and handsome professional black male, 28, would like to meet pretty, good natured, young lady for exclusive and rewarding relationship. Write to CC 238.

Tell it to Jan

Dear Jan:

I'm 26, in love with a guy I met only four months ago. He is 34.

The first time I met him he was all I ever dreamed of or thought of having for a life time.

When my son and I were out with no where to turn, he was right there, lending a helping hand. Ever since then we got closer and closer. I thought no one would ever separate us.

He was all I ever wanted in a man. I knew that I had someone who cared about me and my son. He could accept me the way I was and not for what I could be.

It took sometime for me and my son to get settled and he was right there offering all the help and support needed. Even though we have our problems, I still love him.

He has been married twice. However, that didn't bother me at all, because I understood his situation.

We had something special between us and I thought he felt the same towards me.

The problem - I got pregnant by him and later had an abortion. Ever since then, things haven't been the same with us.

He told me he didn't want this "special" relationship anymore. He wants us only to be friends.

Jan, I am so hurt because I wanted something more than just friendship.

What should I do? I want him back as my man and not my friend.

Confused

Dear Confused:

Don't be too hard on yourself, I can well understand your distress. Things could have turned out the same had you known each other ten years instead of four months.

The ball is in your court now. If he only wants friendship - there's not much you can do - accept or reject. After all, four months isn't all that long period of time to reveal your past and fall in love with anyone.

He has been very nice to you and your son - so why not accept his friendship. Give him more time.

In the meantime, you have your son to think of. He is your responsibility. After you have gotten over your disappointment, think of the positive things and remain his friend.

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Dear Jan

I'm 22 and in love with a 23-year-old man. I am the mother of four children and right now, I'm expecting another child.

My boyfriend and I have been living together for 11 months.

He has begun to stay out until 2 and 3 in the morning, sometimes he doesn't come home at all.

He says he wants to marry me. He has a very nice family whom I like very much.

What do you think?

P. W.

Dear P. W.:

I think you're crazy if you don't say YES.

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Dear Jan:

I'm 16, in love with a guy, 20. Mom likes him, but my grandmother thinks he's too old for me. She tries to keep me away from him.

I love him very much and he loves me. I don't want to lose him. We've been dating for three months.

Should I stop seeing him?

C. C.

Dear C. C.:

You are a little young to fall in love with anyone. He is too old for you.

At your age forget about going steady - have lots of dates. You have plenty of time to fall in love.

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Dear Jan:

I'm 33 and serving a term of six years.

For two years I lived with my girlfriend and her four children. We have been going together for six years and I love her and the children very much.

I have been confined here for six months, and I've only heard from her several times. In all of her letters, she says she loves me and that she will always write to me.

I have written to her 18 or 19 times in the last two weeks, but I haven't received an answer as of yet.

I pray every night, but it has not helped. Please tell me what to do.

Ernest

Dear Ernest:

Continue to write her and it might be a good idea for you to tell her of your marriage plans. Do the right thing by her and right the wrong you've lived for two years.

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Dear Jan:

I have just recently come to this city from out of town.

I loved my hometown very much. I was in love with a young man. The only reason I moved here was because I got into trouble.

Well, I think I'm pregnant again. The guy says he will take care of the child. He was very hurt the last time it happened and so was I.

Of course, I still have feelings for the guy. What do you think?

J. T.

Dear J. T.:

If he's so hurt, he should do right. Get married and make a decent life for the children you bring in this world.

Lonesome Hearts Pen Pals Searching

To have a notice published in the Strictly Personal section, write the message you want printed clearly in the space below. Enclose five dollars ($5.00), check or money order for 25-word notice. Additional words will cost 20 cents each.

I would like my Strictly Personal notice to read:

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To answer a Lonesome Hearts notice, enclose a check or money order for $1.00 for each letter you wish to have forwarded. Be sure to include the box number of the person you wish to contact. All letters, queries and notices should be sent to:

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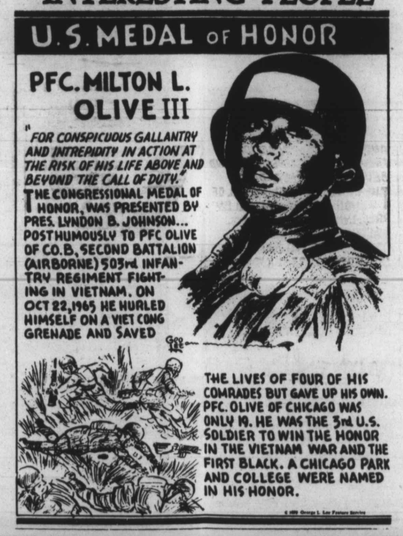
If you have a problem you feel our counselor Jan might be able to help you with, why not write to her. All letters will be answered in this column.

Write: Tell it to Jan, AFRO-AMERICAN, P.O. Box 1857, Baltimore, Md. 21201.

Little Miss ROBERTS by Freida Blackman



INTERESTING PEOPLE



In The Stars

ARIES (March 21-April 20): This is a good time to take advantage of some behind the scenes help, perhaps in the form of business advice. A VIP may open up a new avenue to success for you. During this busy day, be prepared for an advantageous turnaround in plans with someone you're close to. None of the career options available now is what you had in mind.

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TAURUS (April 21-May 21): Someone you meet at a community get-together could be very helpful in terms of backing for a new venture. Don't turn down any spontaneous invitations to be sociable. Mutual money and related interests should prosper nicely this morning. As the day goes along, incoming news or mail helps you to make a serious relationship decision.

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GEMINI (May 22-June 21): Center your attention on the tax advantages of deferred payment for work done. An early morning meeting with a VIP will be profitable. A job interview will be a success. Although the specifics may be different, today's events mirror yesterday's fortunate financial and/or career developments. An unexpected encounter may have romantic vibes.

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CANCER (June 22-July 23): After a good rest, you are ready to enjoy the day and you won't be disappointed. Much that happens will be fulfilling especially when others set the pace. Today's influences open the way for the expression of personal feelings and interests - an excellent time for beginning a new love relationship or creative project.

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LEO (July 24-August 23): Your employment situation and opportunities to do something about it will come more to the fore in the weeks ahead. Meanwhile, today's efforts yield financial rewards. Today is more or less a successful continuation of yesterday, with a chance to clear up any loose ends that may remain. These two days also favor your health interests.

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VIRGO (August 24-September 23): You won't lack for confidence in your love life, perhaps because you and an admirer speak the same language. Take a practical approach to a creative project. Yesterday's propitious trends continue; many will find a love dream coming true or showing signs of doing so soon. Creative inspiration leads to a breakthrough.

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LIBRA (September 24-October 23): You will probably have a very practical and efficient slant this morning about family matters and real estate interests. You will know exactly how much to pay for repairs. Last week's domestic developments continue; it may seem to you that a family dream of success is about to come true. If so, get busy and help it along.

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SCORPIO (October 24-November 22): From start to finish, today offers every indication of being a productive day. Social invitations, personal goals, short trips, errands and meetings all look rewarding. Today is very much in the same mold as yesterday, with similar opportunities to make progress on several fronts. A weekend change of scenery looks promising, especially if you're planning to enjoy it in the company of a favorite companion.

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SAGITTARIUS (November 23-December 21): You will probably touch many bases concerning your personal financial interests and possessions, and it all looks very profitable - especially if related to family affairs. Today brings a continuation of yesterday's providential financial emphasis. A VIP could be a big help these few days, adding a touch of practicality to your dream.

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CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): Your enterprising spirit carries you far this week; you can make notable progress as a result of personal promotion or publicity that adds up to an exhilarating breakthrough. It's to your decided benefit to continue your activities along the same lines as last week. For some, a new romance may be in the wind.

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AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): Confidential strategy can get you where you want to go in terms of business or financial goals. You could stumble onto a little-known place that is great for bargains. Although the specifics could be somewhat different, trends are in a similar vein or a continuation of last week's fortunate developments.

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PISCES (February 20-March 20): The dream machine is humming along smoothly and productively where your social aspirations are concerned. There's plenty of incentive to meet upwardly mobile people. Prevailing trends continue to favor social and romantic encounters, organizational meetings, and, or social occasions. A new love interest can suddenly appear on the scene.

Pen Pals

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30-year-old black male, incarcerated, would like to correspond with females, 25-35 for serious, meaningful relationship. For more, write to Oliver Mayfield, 106-330, JRCC, State Farm, VA 23160.

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Incarcerated male would like to exchange letters with interested females. Write to: Haywood Wilkerson, K-4484, Drawer K, Dallas, PA 18612-0286/

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37-year-old male, presently incarcerated, seeks friendship through correspondence. Willie C. Scott, 189-881, Post Office Box 45699, Lucasville, OH 45699-0001.

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Incarcerated female, 41, would like to correspond with interest males, 45-60 for friendship. Rose Love, 21977, 1479 Collins Ave., Marysville, OH 43040.

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38-year-old female, confined, seeks friendship through correspondence. Paula Smith, 18588, 1479 Collins Ave., Marysville, OH 43040.

Confined black male would like to correspond with sincere person for friendship, possible relationship. Kenneth Stafford, Y-6972, Drawer K, Dallas, PA 18612-0286.

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Handsome black male, 32, 5'9", 165 pounds would like to correspond with single female of any race, to share relationship. Don Jones, M-3353, Drawer K, Dallas, PA 18612-0286.

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30-year-old male, incarcerated, very lonely would like to establish friendship through correspondence. I enjoy chess, sports, reading and listening to music. Travis Pighee, 186-761, Post Office Box 57, Marion, OH 43302.

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Confined male, without family or friends, seeks friendship through correspondence. William Bush, 205068, Post Office Box 511, Columbus, OH 43216.

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30-year-old female, confined, seeks friendship through correspondence. For more, write to Brenda Cray, 18652, 1479 Collins Ave., Marysville, OH 43040.

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28-year-old incarcerated male, lonely, seeks friendship through correspondence. Since I've been confined, I have lost my entire family. Write to Willie J. Jackson, 173-835, Post Office Box 45699, Lucasville, OH 45699-0001.

Black male, 28, lonely and confined would like to exchange letters with interested people. Paul Williams, 141-006, Post Office Box 4571, Lima, OH 45802.

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Incarcerated male would like to establish friendship through correspondence. Poncho Spicer, Y-6289, Drawer K, Dallas, PA 18612-0286.

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45-year-old female, presently incarcerated seeks friendship through correspondence. Regina Williams, 21139, 1479 Collins Ave., Marysville, OH 43040.

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Incarcerated male, 35, lonely would like to exchange letters with interested people from outside world. My hobbies are reading, writing, watching TV and playing basketball. Nathaniel Scott, 193-743, Post Office Box 57, Marion, OH 43302.

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Sincere and open-minded gentleman, presently incarcerated would like to exchange letters with interested, intellectual people. Will answer. Maurice D. Flint, 184-103, Post Office Box 45699. Lucasville, OH 45699.

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Black male, 28, confined, seeks correspondence from open-minded people. Will soon be released. Chris Fuller, 176-987, Post Office Box 57, Marion, OH 43302.