

Hamilton Va

Feb. 24 - 1948

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Letter written to Bonnie from her grandmother Margaret (Maggie) Corell Graham. Maggie was 72 yrs old and would pass away 5 months later. Bonnie was 18 and in her sophomore year at Madison College.

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