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Hello

I must take the time to write to express how happy I was to view the Guide Right site. I sat down with my son Reginald (Reggie) as we both went through the site together and we both became very excited.

Reggie often says he has no life because I don't allow him to rip and run carelessly through the streets of destruction. I am shamelessly involved in his life decisions and choices. As parents we need to know as much we can about our children, who, what and where they travel. I believe children need the guidance of a strong adult to instill morals, values, and communicate the difference between right and wrong into their lives! I see Guide Right as the right path for many of the children I see on the site. Reggie needs to be in this program so he can not only have a life, but a good productive life. I am raising Reggie alone, (his father is deceased) and I believe Guide Right provides a strong brotherly role model in the lives of young sons so they can grow-up to be productive men.

A very good and dear friend of mine out of Jacksonville, Florida, a Kappa brother, shared a lot of good strong words of wisdom into my life about the Kappa Fraternity. He was a true Kappa, his name was Professor Rodney Taylor who attended Howard for a while and came out of Edward Waters College in Jacksonville. Professor Taylor, who is now deceased, once said "unto me teach your sons to stand up and be counted for, teach them the value of a dollar, learn to work, push education into their spirit, teach them to be respectful, teach them to never hit a woman, and to place suit attire in their wardrobe so they will know how to dress for every occasion. He believed that young men should own clothes other than baggie jeans and long t-shirts with degrading words on them, and I have taken his words and placed them into my son's life.

Rodney is greatly missed as he was an awesome Professor of the Mathematics Department and ran a wonderful mathematics tutoring program that he funded out of his pocket to tutor in the lower income high crime neighborhood that he grew up in Jacksonville, Florida. He improved the lives of young men who struggled in mathematics who themselves have excelled greatly due to gaining knowledge in mathematics.

I write all of this to say that I am so grateful for seeing Mr. Coates in his Kappa jacket, as it caught my eye and led me to Mr. Mills. I want to say thank you as I look forward to my son being involved in the Guide Right Program.

Most Sincerely,

Monica Earl Bishop

No matter what accomplishment you make, somebody helps you.

Althea Gibson

Tennis Champion