Dear Britt,

Just talked to your mother on the phone. She is back from your grandmother's memorial and visiting your grandfather in Florida. Such trips are always an emotional workout but you mother sounded like she got through it okay. She did say she was pleased with the setting and care your grandfather was in. That is good. And Deb said you remembered her birthday with a phone call. That too is good.

But the big news is that you are coming up to Seattle next weekend. Your mother said the two of you will be up in Maltby Saturday and Sunday but I am hoping we can find time for a visit. I don't know you schedule but maybe we could get together before or after. Anyway, think about it and I will call your mom's Friday night to see if you have gotten in.

Seattle has been having a heat-wave of biblical proportions. Wednesday set an all-time record of 103 F! My apartment with its south-facing window is blistering hot and my cat, Miss Sneezey, has moved onto the shower room floor.

So hope to see you next weekend,

Jim