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Dear Dr. Smith,

I am not sure if this email will reach you, as I should have sent it decades ago.

I was a psychology major at CSUN from 1979 until I graduated in 1983. I went on to earn a M.A. degree in 1988 at another university.

I have to share with you, the classes I took of yours in the early 1980s were the foundation of my journey as a student of psychology. Even today, as a 58 year old woman, I still think of myself as a student of psychology. The saying "the more I learn the less I know" is often appropriate.

You and Dr. Roger Moss were my favorite professors. A few years ago I was able to have a dialogue with Dr. Moss via email when I received the postcard from The CSUN psychology department. I am very thankful for that as he sadly passed away a few years later.

At that time I asked him about you and he said he was occasionally in touch with you.

I would like to thank you for igniting, encouraging and stoking a lifelong desire and pursuit in me to learn, explore, question, search and obtain information and knowledge. To expand my horizons and step into the experiences of others, to view the world from an array of perspectives. To always keep my mind open to see and recognize other life experiences and paths.

Thank you.

As I sat in your classes in the early 1980s I would have no idea how much influence you and your classes would have over me, and how often I would come back to thinking of you throughout the next 30 plus years. What a gift that is.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Lisa Schilpp Sass