

Headquarters Military Division of the Missouri,

Saint Louis, Mo. Feb 9 1867.

Very Resd.

E. Loring.

Protr Dame, Indiana.

Dear Sir,

I met my Aid. Col McCoy at Odia, and we came here together. I had the bodies of both my children taken out here, & on Thursday, with my family & the Rev. Mr Walsh conveyed them to the Calvary Cemetery where they are now buried.

I expect in all next week to have erected over their graves the two monuments long since prepared for them. The one for Billy at Cincinnati, and the other for Charley at Chicago

Both monuments - are now
coming, and will be put
up as soon as received.

Yesterday, in sitting with
Colonel McCoy, for Expenses he
informed me that you would
take nothing for the Coffin - a
disinterest. Of course I can
say nothing but as I think
you mean it in kindness I
accept it, and thank you
most truly. Col McCoy
delivered your message.
What I have written above
answers that about the Stone.
It was executed by a Mrs
Schumann of Chicago, and is
said to be very beautiful, and
appropriate. The letter of
Miss Annie I have sent to
Eugene Thomas who commands

in Kentucky & may possibly be of
— some service to his father. I have
written to her, that it is out of my
power to assist her here, as all
our Clerical force is reduced to
the smallest number, and they
are soldiers detailed from the
Ranks.

As to coming up I will
gladly do so, at some
future time, on the occasion
of the graduation of some
one of your Classes. Mrs
Sherman & children always
speak of you, and send
messages of affection.

Believe me truly,

Your friend,

W. T. Sherman

L. L. Lane.