

Doughboys in the Great War

Our US doughboys, fighting in the trenches of France, needed reminders and items from those they left behind. Letters, socks to keep their feet dry, cookies that mom baked, chocolate were just a few of the favorite items desired by our fighting force in 1917.

The war ended in 1918 but the lessons learned still go on even today. People today still need to know someone cares about them. With your family members, take part in one or two of the activities from your "I Care" list.

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I Care...

## 1. WRITE A LETTER TO A LOVED ONE ABOUT YOUR DAY, HOW MUCH YOU MISS THEM, ASK THEM QUESTIONS ABOUT THEIR LIFE - THE LIST GOES ON. YOUR LOVED ONE WILL BE SO HAPPY!

2. DONATE ITEMS TO THOSE IN NEED IN YOUR AREA. MAYBE YOU HAVE CLOTHES YOU OUTGREW. PERHAPS YOU CAN KNIT A HAT OR SCARF FOR SOMEONE WHO NEEDS YOUR KINDNESS.

3. COLLECT CANS FOR YOUR AREA FOOD BANK. PEOPLE NEED FOOD THROUGHOUT THE YEAR SO YOUR DONATIONS WILL HELP.

4. LOOK FOR WAYS TO "GIVE BACK" IN YOUR COMMUNITY. CHECK WITH CHURCHES, SCHOOLS, COMMUNITY CENTERS AND SEE IF YOUR TALENTS CAN BE USED.

5. CHECK ON THE OLDER PEOPLE WHO LIVE NEAR YOU. SEE IF YOU CAN HELP THEM IN ANY WAY. CAN YOU RAKE LEAVES, PICK UP SOMETHING AT THE STORE, OR JUST LEAVE THEM A CARD. LET THEM SEE YOUR KINDNESS COME SHINING THROUGH.