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Sanford Monday

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Dear Uncle Jesse: just a note
to say that a little over 2 hrs. ago,
at 11:10, Uncle Nick was released
from his suffering. He knew
me & could talk a little when I
got here Sat. just after noon, but
by 6 P.M. could not speak intellig-
ibly and was beginning to breathe
badly, & to hemorrhage from the
rectum & bladder - The Dr. nor
either of us expected him to live
thru the night, but he did, tho in
a coma from 10 P.M. on - He
kept on all day yesterday, but
after 10 this last evening began
to go rapidly. Aunt Nell & I have
been with him constantly. He has
been 8 months in bed on the 2nd
of this month, poor soul, and
has suffered so terribly. I told
Aunt Nell it was cancer months
ago, but the Dr. didn't get around
to it until within about 10 days

ago when he grew decidedly worse.
Aunt Nell is taking it remarkably,
just now, I have just finished
cleaning the bedroom from
ceiling to floor, so she & I can
sleep there the 2 or 3 remaining
hours of the night, & while I
did that she is washing the
very soiled bedding that came
off the bed. Guess we will
lie down soon, then up & at
all the things that have to be done
in the morning. Elathier will
be here on the noon train, & I
will take off immediately for
Garnersville & bring the family
back to the funeral Tues. P.M.
I think now to bury him by his
folks in Orange City. Aunt
Nell does not know what she
will do yet. Probably stay on
here for a while until

something else can be worked
out. Aunt Fannie wants
her up there but she doesn't
want to leave Florida before

seeing you if you are
definitely coming by Christmas.
You might tell her, when
you write, if that is still
the plan. I do hope
everything is working out
that way for you.

Good night - or good
morning, as the case may
be - love & best wishes
to all - Louisa