

Reader offers sympathy, advice to Li

Dear Mr. Li:

I have just read, as I'm sure others have too, your letter and story that was printed in the September 21 issue of the Brunswickan. My heart truly went out to you in your "battle" against us. You suffered one of the most heart sickening tragedies that one could go through. Nobody knows the pain you and your wife feel right now, nor will feel in the years to come.

I do feel however, that you have taken a stand about who is responsible for the death of your child. You blame it on, in short, UNB. I ask you though,

does it really matter about who is responsible? The fact remains something should be done to prevent anything from happening to others. I do feel that in time, you will change your opinion of this when the pain of this death mellows (Although you will always feel this pain, I'm sure). In time, a "sweet" memory of Maple will exist, one that will not always include the accident, as it most likely already does.

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Two years ago, I experienced the death of my

nephew. The accidents between the two children are similar, as were the ages. I

too, have felt the loss of life before my eyes as well as in my arms. I do feel your pain

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and when I heard of your accident, I relived what I thought was behind myself. Apparently, I was mistaken.

One of our differences is the fact that my friends gave unconditional love and support; where your friends did not. I would not be here if it wasn't for them for they, literally, saved my life. I would encourage you to look into self-help groups such as "Passionate Parents."

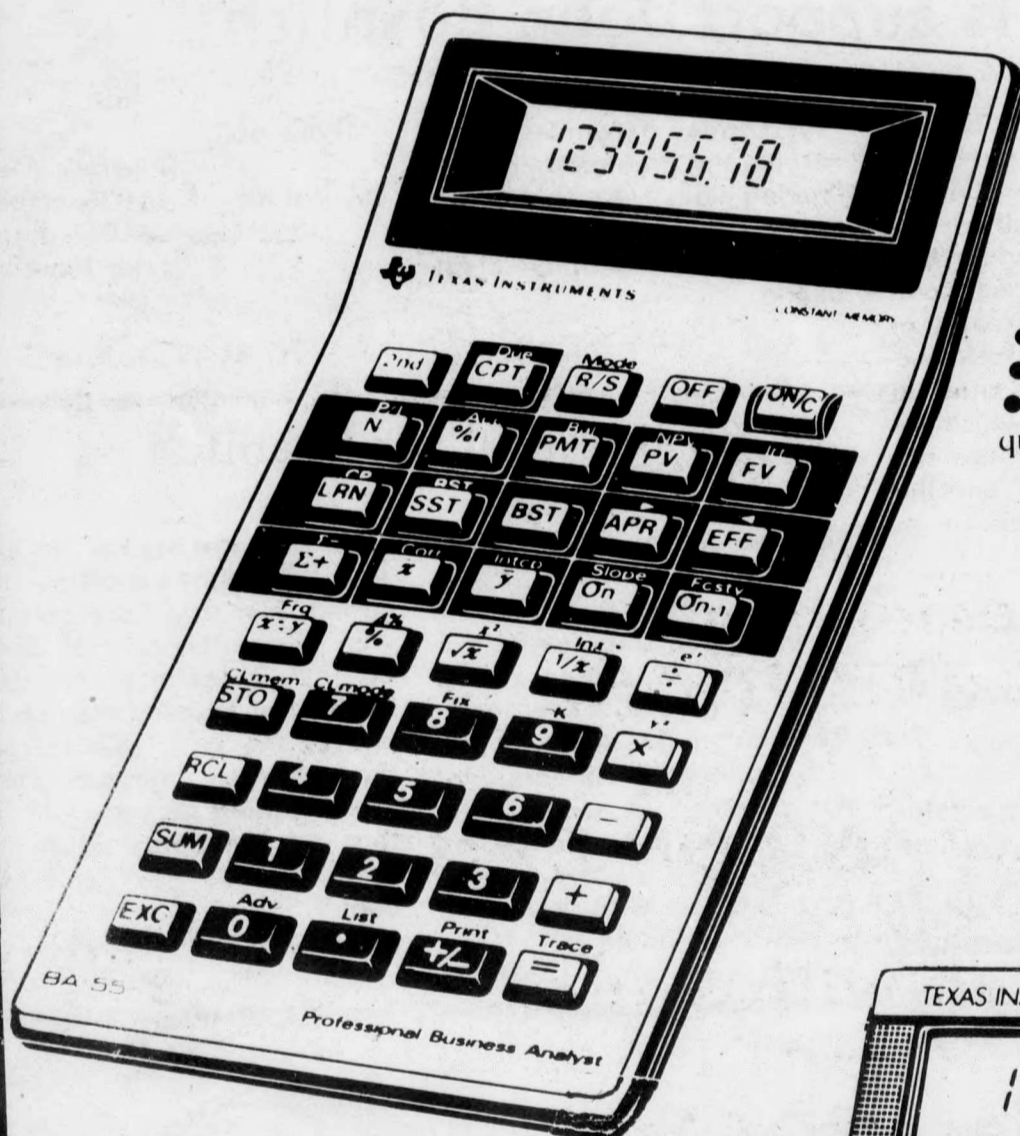
My sympathies are with you for this is a situation no person can imagine. Everyday my thoughts are of the one I lost

and it hurts. I suspect that it will always be this way but now I have learned to deal with this hurt in different ways.

I do want to wish you "Good Luck" because frankly, you are going to need it! I learned a very sad lesson about life at a very early age but I feel we share something not many could comprehend. You are not alone; that is one of the hardest things to comprehend. Your daughter is in the most sacred place and until you realize that, it is a very rocky road; one I'm still walking on.

Name withheld upon request.

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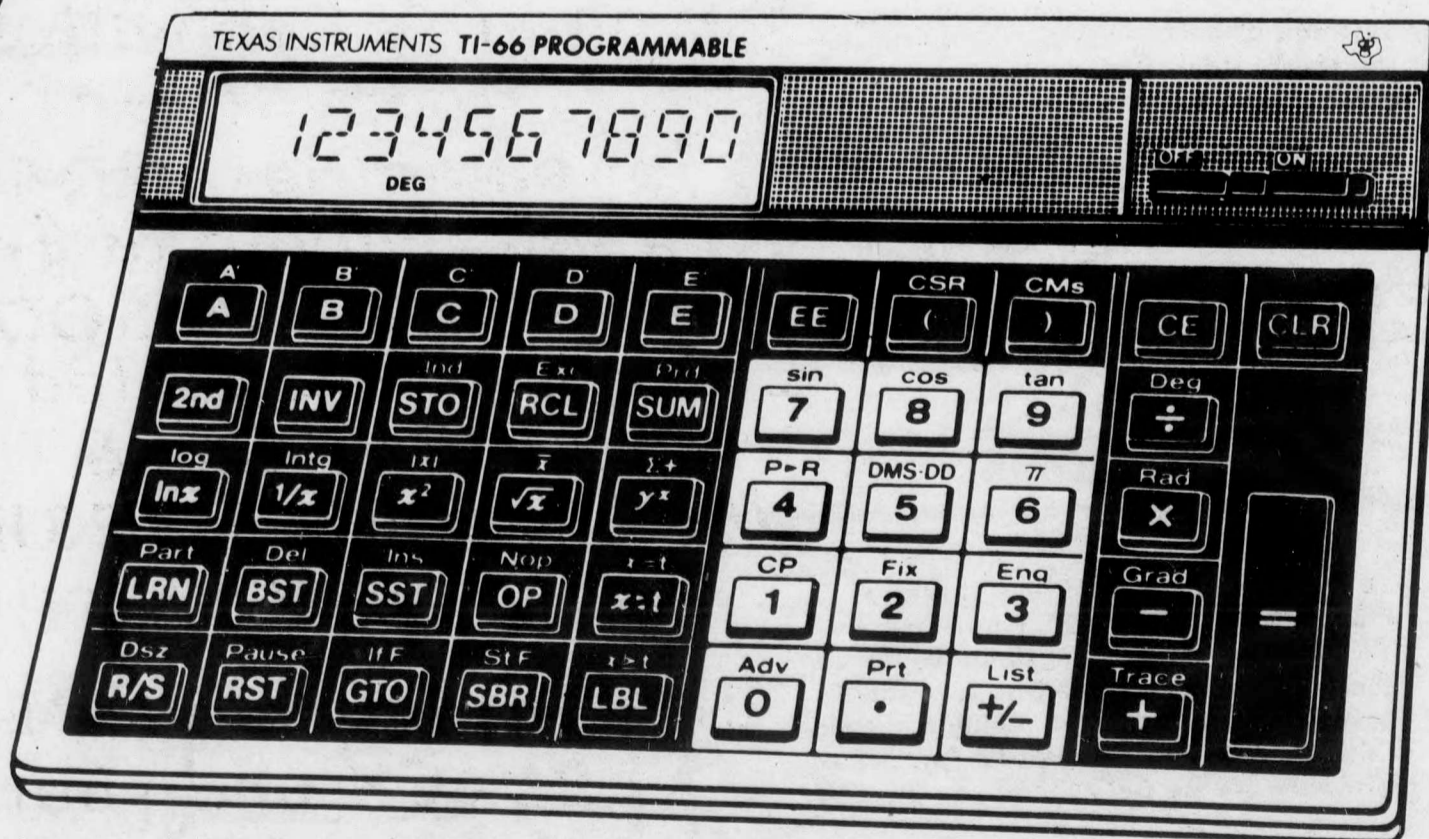


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