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Email to Cindy Sheehan

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The email I sent to Cindy Sheehan at Camp Casey, Crawford, Texas
In front of the Bush ranch, August 2005

Dear Cindy,

I am about your age, a parent of three daughters, and can only imagine the heart-wrenching loss of a child to war. Yet if my child died to protect our country, or saving a life (one of my daughters is a nurse), then her death would feel very sad but righteous. However, if the death is based upon a lie, a massive deception, or an enormous error in judgement by our government, then the death would feel wasted, and the loss even more heart-wrenching. Your son died for his country, so he is a hero, and I believe you are and can remain proud of Casey.

However, you are absolutely correct to say President Bush killed your son! Bush and his administration were set on taking Sadam down from the start of this GOP-Supreme Court coup de etat, and your son and thousands of other Americans and Iraquis are paying the price of this grotesque George Bush nightmare. Please know that every day more American families join our common cause of ending this brutal war. Stay strong, and I wish you peace in your heart.

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