

# GRAVES & GRAVES

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Capt. James Motes  
Florida Highway Patrol Station  
7651 U S Highway 19  
Pinellas Park, FL 33781

SUBJECT: COMMENDATION OF OFFICER DEBRA STYERS

Dear Captain Motes:

On July 10, 2003 at about 2:00 p. m. we were involved in an accident on U S 19 northbound near Dunedin in which our car (a Lincoln Town Car) was totaled. We probably would not have survived had our seatbelts and airbags not worked perfectly.

We were taken by ambulance to Mease Hospital's Emergency Room and Officer Debra Styers was your representative on highway duty that day. In a low-key fashion she supervised traffic control, cared for us personally and for our welfare, and investigated the cause of the accident. She talked to us, consoled us and was close by when the Fire Department people cut us out of our car. After the wrecker truck had hauled our car away, she supervised as we were placed in the ambulance, asking if we had all the vital things we needed. Mack realized at that time that he didn't have his billfold and reported this to Officer Styers.

That wonderful lady Officer came to the Mease Hospital late that day to see how we were getting along (after her duty shift had ended, by the way); she had gone to the wrecker storage yard where our car had been towed and had gone through the wreckage and found Mack's billfold under the front seat. She also reported to us that the driver of the car we had hit had been airlifted successfully to Bayfront Hospital and was getting treatment.

The investigation Officer Styers made of the accident was also outstanding. She found and ticketed the driver of an older pickup truck who in changing lanes had knocked the car we had hit into our inside lane. We had no chance to brake and hit this car at full force.

We are fortunate<sup>to</sup> have a thoughtful, wonderful lady like Officer Styers watching out for us; AND WANT HER AND ALL OF YOU SUPERVISORY PEOPLE TO KNOW HOW GOOD, CARING, AND PROFESSIONAL HER PERFORMANCE WAS IN OUR ACCIDENT.

Yours cordially,

Mack and Mildred Graves

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