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Dear Dr. Thornton,

It was such a pleasure to talk with you last night. I was so excited that you had found your Confederate ancestor that I forgot to ask what relationship he was to you. We did locate his name in our Roster of N.C. Troops - Vol I Artillery - on page 10. I've enclosed a copy for you - We found his name about 30 minutes after your call. What luck, it isn't always this easy!

Please advise me on any other information you have. If you have the blanks that Mrs. Blackburn sent you, these will serve as a guide for other information we may need.

I've enclosed a brief explanation of our Pioneer in Space Award that appeared in our UDC magazine. As you see the United Daughters of the Confederacy wish to honor our astronauts and recognize them for their service to this country.

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This is our opportunity to bring before the public an awareness of love of country which was so ably demonstrated by our Confederate Ancestors. We are proud of our Heritage !

May I hear from you soon ?

Sincerely,
Martha Denton
Mrs L.A. Denton Jr.