

1964 was rather different,  
The first four months ... I was away;  
Off in Philadelphia ... for training,  
Mae & Russ ... in Valdosta for the stay.



The separation was no fun,  
That much is for sure,  
But it let us save a down payment  
For a house ... that was the cure.

A surprise trip at Easter  
So my family I did get to see,  
Mae's pregnancy was progressing,  
About as fast as could be.



Then a bout with the measles ...  
Was just a bit scary;  
recovery was OK for her,  
and the little one she carried.

Wow, we were busy in May,  
In Donelson ... we found a place;  
Moved there in June,  
Not settled ... but a baby coming ... with haste!

No central air ...  
and that June night was hot;  
Mae said "I am uncomfortable"  
.... But she said that a lot!



It was not false labor,  
Our little girl ... born the next day;  
Now had a "millionaires" family,  
and have the same one ... today!

Cynthia Jo we named her ...  
Mae's sisters thought that was neat;  
But whatever we called her,  
That little girl was sweet!



The rest of that year was taken up  
With bottles, formula and the like;  
We were a growing family  
God had blessed us ... just right!