## This 'n' That

Once again, I have various things on my mind but none will make a complete article, so here it goes.

Our trip to North Ridgeville, Ohio was enjoyable. It is a long way up there but the weather was nice and the brethren were great. It amazes me how one goes to a congregation they had never been before and yet know they are with their spiritual family. Remembering names is not my strong suit but I will remember their faces and encouragement. It was good to see Terry and Marth Sanders as they provided us a place to sleep and hang out. I must admit my biggest cultural problem was with their ice tea. The first restaurant we went to I asked for tea. The waitress wanted to know if I wanted cold or hot tea! I should have known I was in a foreign place as I had to specify cold tea. It came to me without any sweetener. In the south tea is almost a desert. But the brethren up there were good to be with and we had one couple who drove from Youngstown to hear me. I knew them from my days in Gainesville, Florida.

After coming back my back tightened up. It just so happened I already had a doctor's appointment for Monday, October 1. He asked what I had been doing and I told him about our trip. He said the driving probably caused my soreness. Strange I don't remember any soreness from driving before but then I have never been 61 before either.

Today, October 7th is the 11th year anniversary of my dad's passing. He died on Sunday at approximately 7 pm. As the days and years go by I appreciate the lessons he and mom taught us. Wish I could hear him lead singing one more time. –Dennis Tucker