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My books will continue to be available at local book shops: Dana Adobe & Cultural Center gift shop in Nipomo, Gavin's Books in Santa Maria, The Book Loft in Solvang, Chapter 2 Bookstore in Lompoc, and Chaucer's Books in Santa Barbara.

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Sincerely, Corrine Ardoin Writer~Naturalist~Family Historian