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Kiss Your Friends,
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The Little Things in Life
That Count !**



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is nothing more than
Life's frustrations,
which vanish in death.*

*Yet, at other times,
these same words,
may find their way to stand,
the test of times.*

*At least I shall rest in peace,
assured of but one truth,
I shall have accomplished one !*

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In Chapter 2, page 12, I provided you with several Web Sites where you may search out information on radiant cooling systems and its logic. Some of these systems have just recently entered the market place and I am sure there will be many more to come. Chilled water cooling systems being forced-air applied and/or radiant applied, has the highest potential for offering you and your customers, the same comfort and efficiency which radiant heating systems are renowned for.

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