

Happy Saturday, Farm Friends!

How are you doing? Did you make it through the storm okay? We sure hope so. We've been thinking about all of our friends out there.

That was some storm. But all in all, we feel very fortunate. Very fortunate.

We lost parts of the maples along the north side of the house and a couple of dead trees in the pasture lost their tops. The roof on the milkhouse was pretty badly damaged and there was some damage to the smokehouse roof -- those structures bore the brunt of the tree impact. We also had some damage to the greenhouse and the doors to one of the high tunnels, but we knew those were weak links. But overall, everything was okay.

All of the animals were fine and we are fine -- blessings to be counted for sure.

We are definitely grateful for getting the maples removed around the house last year -- I think I would be writing a different report if we hadn't done that. Not exactly sure what the top wind speed was, but I am sure that it was over 35 MPH -- and those trees would not have taken it. We miss those trees but would not have wanted them in the house. Here are a few scenes from Ian's aftermath:









We'll be doing lots of debris clearing for the next few days, for sure.



That's all we've got for this week, folks. We just wanted to check in on you and make sure that everything was okay..

We hope you stay safe, warm and dry -- beautiful Fall days and gorgeous

## sunsets will be here again soon!



Until next week, *Cheryl & Ray* 

