

Nuggets of Fun and Nostalgia for Treasure Valley Golden-Agers

Raised in the USA

Is it just me, or does it seem like there is so much disrespect in our country today? I was raised during a time when most everyone treated each other with respect. We learned from our parents and grandparents instead of disrespecting them and treating them as if they knew nothing. What they said was the gospel.

We were taught to respect our elders, respect those in authority, respect our teachers, and yes, even respect the President, whether he was a Republican or Democrat.

Maybe it had to do with the fact that times were so much simpler then. We drank water from the kitchen sink – and the garden hose. Flavored drinks? We had lots of choices, depending on which packets of Kool-Aid mom brought home that week.



We didn't eat a lot of fast food because it was considered a treat, not a food group, even though hamburgers were only 19 cents each. We were raised eating bologna sandwiches, peanut butter sandwiches, and grilled cheese with tomato soup for lunch.

Supper (not dinner) was home-made (no microwave) consisting of mainly meat, potatoes, home-grown vegetables, and home-made bread and butter with home-made dessert. (Do you see a home-made trend here?) We ate a hot breakfast or cold cereal at the breakfast table before going to school. We got to take our home-made lunches to school in a brown paper bag or an old lunch box passed down from an older sibling. Paying 25 cents for a hot lunch at school was an occasional luxury.

At school we said the Pledge of Allegiance every morning, and stood for the National Anthem and listened to our teachers.

If we were bad in school, we got in trouble there. When we got home, we got in trouble again (because your parents already knew). Paddling was

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The Alphabet Prayer



A grandfather was walking through his yard when he heard his granddaughter repeating the alphabet in a tone of voice that sounded like prayer.

He asked her what she was doing.

The little girl explained: "I'm praying, but I can't think of exactly the right words, so I'm just saying all the letters, and God will put them together for me because He knows what I'm thinking."

Sometimes we just need to let Him say it for us.

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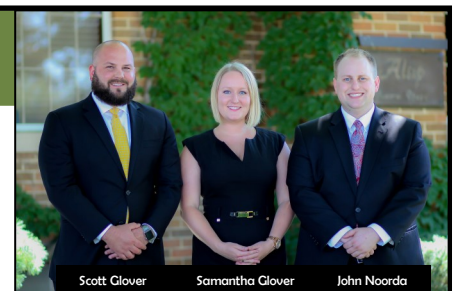


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The Paradox of Grief

“Despite the forecast, live like it’s spring.”
- Lily Pulitzer

Depending on the day and our moods, the forecast can seem to call for nonstop cold and wet when we’re grieving.

The paradox is that we can learn both to inhabit the dreary days and expect spring at the same time. In other words, we can embrace the pain and darkness of our grief when that is what we are feeling while also nurturing hope that sunshine and blossoms are on the way.

Healing grief is a lot like the onset of spring. It’s unreliable and fickle. One day it’s warmish and blue skies and we think, “Hey! We’re feeling better!”

Then the next day—or week—it’s sleeting and gray again. But ever so slowly, we advance into better weather.

We can’t rush it. We can’t control it. We can’t skip the dismal days. But we can trust that spring and then summer will come.

*No matter how I’m feeling today,
I will trust that better days are ahead.*

By Dr. Alan Wolfelt
Grief One Day at a Time: 365 Meditations to Help You Heal After Loss

If someone you know is grieving, share this with them.

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allowed in school and you behaved yourself or else.

If someone had an argument with a friend, you might have a short fistfight, but you were back to being friends afterwards and the bullying pretty much ceased. Kids who were around guns were taught how to properly use them and to respect them and never thought of taking a life.

After school, we came home and did homework and chores and watched some cartoons on Saturday morning. There were no cell phones. In fact, we often shared a party line on our antique rotary phone!

After our homework was done, we would go gather glass bottles to take to the store and use the deposit money to buy penny candy. You could get a lot for just 25 cents – including a pack of bubble gum with baseball cards and a box of candy cigarettes.

In the summer we mowed lawns, helped neighbors with chores, and worked in the garden. We went outside a lot to play games, ride bikes, run with siblings, cousins and friends. We played hide and seek, kick the can, jump rope, hopscotch, Red Rover, red light – green light, Mother, may I?, kickball, basketball and dodge ball.

We would ride our bikes for hours and play outside until the lightning bugs came out, or the streetlights came on. We would catch bugs in mason jars, make mud pies, play in the creek, catch pollywogs and pick wildflowers and four-leafed clovers.

We had to be close enough to home to hear our Mom yelling or Dad whistling to tell you it’s time to come home for dinner. We ate around the supper table and talked to each other as a family unit.

After supper, we got to watch black and white TV with just 3 channels (I was Dad’s remote!). We watched TV as a family: Gunsmoke, Gilligan’s Island, Father Knows Best, My Three Sons, Leave it to Beaver, Wonderful World of Disney, Bonanza, Red Skelton and Ed Sullivan.

We watched what we said around our elders because we knew If we disrespected any grown up we would get our behinds paddled. It wasn’t called abuse, it was called discipline!



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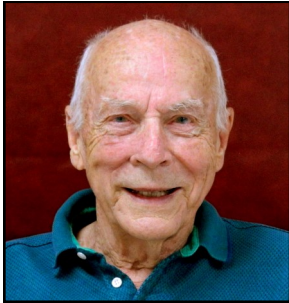


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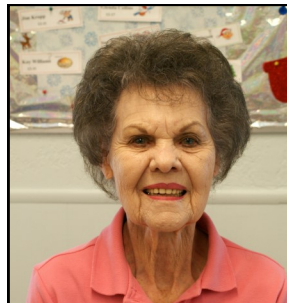
Milestones



Dick Kneidl
July 13, 1922—97 years
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Alice Dunn
July 4, 1922—97 years
Nampa Sunnyridge



Betty Johnston
July 8, 1926—93 years
Parma



Opal Gulley
July 14, 1926—93 years
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Dean Finch
July 7, 1927—92 years
Caldwell Senior Center

A patient and a psychiatrist met for the first time.

"I think I'm a goat," the patient told the doctor.

"All right" the doctor said as he jotted notes down. "And how long have you had this feeling?"

The man told him, "Ever since I was a kid."



Questions I Ask Myself in My Old Age



"What was I about to say?"

"What did I come in here for?"

"Did I already take my pill?"

"How did I get this bruise?"

"Why am I sore?"

"Where did I leave my _____ (glasses, phone, keys, etc.)

"Did the dryer shrink these pants?"

"Where's the remote?"

"My granddaughter is getting married in six weeks. Is it too late to start a diet?"

"Why did they change my password?"

"Who in the world has the nerve to call me at 9 p.m.?"



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 Right has 5 letters, so does Wrong.
 Hurt has 4 letters, so does Heal.

*Life is like a double-edged sword -
 So transform every negative into a positive.
 Always choose the better side of Life!*



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COMMUNISM

You have 2 cows.
 The State takes both and gives you some milk.

SOCIALISM

You have 2 cows.
 You give one to your neighbor.
 He asks for the other cow, too.

NAZISM

You have 2 cows.
 The State takes both and shoots you.

BUREAUCRATISM

You have two cows.
 The State takes both, shoots one,
 milks the other and throws the milk away.

CAPITALISM

You have two cows.
 You sell one and buy a bull.
 Your herd multiplies and the economy grows.
 You sell them and retire on the income.

Old age is like a garage sale —
 Some stuff looks really old,
 Some stuff is broken,
 And some stuff you can't identify!



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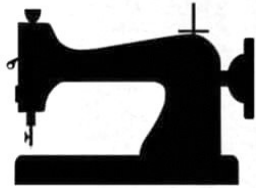


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DO YOU REMEMBER?





Quotes from History Not Found in Textbooks

In my many years I have come to a conclusion that one useless man is a shame, two is a law firm, and three or more is a congress.

-- John Adams

I contend that for a nation to try to tax itself into prosperity is like a man standing in a bucket and trying to lift himself up by the handle.

--Winston Churchill

Democracy must be something more than two wolves and a sheep voting on what to have for dinner.

--James Bovard

Giving money and power to government is like giving whiskey and car keys to teenage boys.

-- P.J. O'Rourke

Government's view of the economy could be summed up in a few short phrases: If it moves, tax it. If it keeps moving, regulate it. And if it stops moving, subsidize it.

--Ronald Reagan

I don't make jokes. I just watch the government and report the facts.

-- Will Rogers

No man's life, liberty, or property is safe while the legislature is in session.

-- Mark Twain

Talk is cheap, except when Congress does it.

--Anonymous

The government is like a baby's alimentary canal, with a happy appetite at one end and no responsibility at the other.

-- Ronald Reagan

The inherent vice of capitalism is the unequal sharing of the blessings. The inherent blessing of socialism is the equal sharing of misery.

-- Winston Churchill

The only difference between a tax man and a taxidermist is that the taxidermist leaves the skin.

-- Mark Twain

What this country needs are more unemployed politicians

--Edward Langley

A government big enough to give you everything you want, is strong enough to take everything you have.

-- Thomas Jefferson

We hang the petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office. -

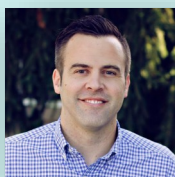
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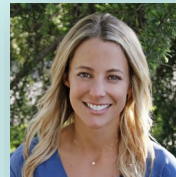
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His Dying Wish

An old couple had been married for many years. The husband had the reputation as an angry old man who made life for his wife terrible.

Their neighbors often heard them fighting long into the night, with loud yelling.

They could hear the old man shout, "When I die, I will dig my way up and out of the grave and come back and haunt you for the rest of your life."

At the age of 98, the old man died, much to his wife's relief. She could finally be free from his verbal abuse.

But the neighbors feared for her safety and asked, "Aren't you afraid that he might indeed be able to dig his way out of the grave and haunt you for the rest of your life?"

The wife calmly replied, "Let him dig. I had him buried upside down, and I know he won't ask for directions!"



Raised in the USA (Continued from page 2)

We didn't hear curse words on the radio in songs or on TV, and if you cursed and got caught you had your mouth washed out with soap and had to stand in the corner for a long time.

We held doors, carried groceries and gave up our seat without being asked. "Please, Thank You, Yes, Ma'am and Yes, Sir" were part of our daily vocabulary!

We grew up in good, God-loving families. We never thought of skipping school, and we went to church every Sunday (and usually Sunday nights and Wednesday nights, too!)

So what is different now? In many ways we have lost respect. Respect for others, respect for others' property, respect for others' lives. Many have lost respect for God, respect for our country, respect for leaders, and even respect for the American way of life.

How do we change it? You can't change the whole country, but you can continue to teach and show your children and grandchildren how to love and respect those around you. And just for fun, teach them how to drink out of a garden hose!



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His friend commented: "That must be the most touching thing I have ever seen. You must be a feeling man."

The man composed himself before replying, "Yeah, after all, we were married 45 years."



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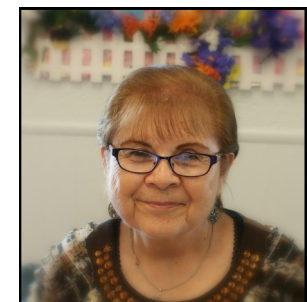
Lavonne Hanger
July 16, 1929—90 years
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Janet Cracolice
May 18, 1934—85 years
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John Morris
June 26, 1934—85 years
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Maria Madrano
July 13, 1944—75 years
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Our Wi-Fi wasn't working last night so I sat and chatted to the missus for a change.

I'm surprised to hear she no longer works at Woolworths.



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