



"A Tribute to Dad "

June 2015

June 19th is a day designated to honor those special people in our lives who proudly wear the title of DAD. I dedicate This month's 'Food For Thought' to these special people.

"A Tribute To Dad"....

When the good Lord was creating Fathers, he started with a tall frame, and a female angel nearby said, "What kind of Father is that? If you're going to make children so close to the ground, why have you put Fathers up so high? He won't be able to shoot a marble without kneeling, tuck a child in bed without bending, or even kiss a child without a lot of stooping.

"And G-d smiled and said.... "Yes, but if I make him child size, who would children have to look up to?"

And when G-d made a Father's hands, they were large and muscular. And the angel shook her head and said, "Do you know what you are doing? Large hands are clumsy. They can't manage diaper pins, small buttons and rubber bands on pony tails or even remove splinters caused by baseball bats."

And G-d smiled and said..."I know, but they're large enough to hold everything a small boy empties from his pockets at the end of a day. Yet small enough to cup a child's face in his hands." And then G-d molded long, slim legs and broad shoulders, and the angel looked puzzled.

"Do you realize you just made a Father without a lap? How is he going to pull a child close to him without the kid falling between his legs?"

And G-d smiled and said..."A Mother needs a lap. A Father needs strong shoulders to pull a sled, balance a boy on a bicycle, or hold a sleepy head on the way home from a ball game."

G-d was in the middle of creating two of the largest feet anyone had ever seen, when the angel could contain herself no longer. "That's not fair. Do you honestly think those large boats are going to dig out of bed early in the morning when the baby cries? or walk through a small birthday party without crunching at least three of the guests?"

"And God smiled and said..."They'll work. You'll see.

They'll support a small child who wants a shoulder ride, or scare off mice at the summer cabin, or display shoes that will be a challenge to fill."G-d worked throughout the night, giving the Father few words, but a firm, authoritative voice; eyes that saw everything, but remained calm and tolerant.

Finally, almost as an after-thought, he added a most special gifttears. Then he turned to the angel and said, "Now are you satisfied that he can love as much as a Mother?" And the angel was quiet.....

So if you are lucky enough to have a Dad, take a moment to give him a call, tell him how special he is and how much you love him. And remember no one is ever too old to receive (or give) a good hug. On behalf of ALL your Chaplains, may G-d bless you, keep you safe, and always keep you in His loving care. Amen.

Your Chaplains are available 24/7, should you need a shoulder to lean on or have a good joke to share, don't hesitate to call, Chaplains Unit, 312-746-8458

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