[FR] Fathers Day

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Father's day was this past weekend as you likely know. What is Father's day all about? It is about celebrating the relationship between your kids and yourself, or yourself and your Dad.

My Dad is dead, and I do not live in my hometown anymore, but my sisters do and they put some flowers on his grave for me and sent me a pic. I will visit it in August when I am in town. Beyond that, I still think of him a little each day – he helped me become the man I am today. I remember hating his guts when he made me work at McDonalds when I was 15 making \$4.25 a hour and paying my own car insurance when I turned 16. If I didn't have money, he bailed me out that month – but he taught me an important lesson about responsibility.

Now I have two awesome kids. On Saturday morning they made me breakfast. My son is an expert at cooking sausage in the microwave and my daughter is an expert at making eggs. So they teamed up and made me eggs and sausage for breakfast. It was delicious. They gave me a card they made themselves with a little note. Great stuff.

Later that Saturday the kids and I went bowling and arcading for a few hours then we picked up the wife around 5pm for the culmination of the day – seeing Incredibles 2. After the dine in movie we went and got ice cream, and that was our Saturday.

On Sunday (actual Father's Day) was the greatest day for me in a long time. The kids shipped off to their first overnight summer camp ever. I never went to summer camp when I was a kid, let alone go to a camp for a whole week, much less at 9 and 8 years old. We left at the crack of dawn and drove them to camp and helped them get all checked in.

Want to know what a proud Father is? A man who can watch his two kids go off to camp for a week and know that he has taught them values and helped them build confidence they will have their entire life.

What investments are you making in your daily lives? How are you growing, and helping others?

What is Father's day? Father's day is every day.

Or were you waiting for a card, dinner and sex from your wife for Father's Day?

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The_Litz • 8 points • 18 June, 2018 08:33 PM

Somehow fathers day and mothers day have devolved into standing in a line at a packed restaurant waiting to get a table and then waiting even longer for service. The chumps with the thousand yard stare probably haven't figured out they are paying for the lukewarm meal they are beeing treated to, and just perk up enough to have a pic taken for FB or IG.

We do our own thing. Nothing special. Just a card, coffee and a croissant. The rest of the day is ops normal. Fathers day is every day.

Foutaises- • 7 points • 18 June, 2018 09:55 PM

Damn man, very well written. I'm not a father myself but you made me want to be one. The way you're approaching fatherhood is actually pretty deep.

[deleted] • 13 points • 18 June, 2018 07:54 PM

What is Father's day? Father's day is everyday.

What is Women's day? A day to placate women because they all subconsciously know that if they all went on strike for a week, society would still function. In fact, it will allow them to take care of their kids for a change.

What is Men's day? It's everyday. Feminists are right about one thing: everyday is indeed men's day. Because everything around us is a momument to men's accomplishment.

Same thing for Father's day. Feminists can abolish it all they want: when you're a masculine man with kids, everyday is Father's day.

rpsheepdog • 3 points • 19 June, 2018 05:35 AM

I saw a push in Australia to have father's day be renamed to "special persons day"

[deleted] • 3 points • 19 June, 2018 05:37 AM Feminists are pretty "special". Special needs mostly.

ReddJive • 3 points • 20 June, 2018 11:10 AM

my sons (pre teens) left for junior military training camps this week. Each branch of the service has these junior cadet programs.

It's been amazing that at their age that we have something to bond over. Their stories of the "drill" weekends and my military duty are eerily similar. Talking about fire watch, Carl (every unit has a Carl), KP duty....some things are just the same no matter the age.

To echo, every day is what you make of it.

RedPill-BlackLotus • 2 points • 19 June, 2018 12:26 PM

I'm so fortunate my father is still alive. I'm going to see him tonight now. Thanks man.

Persaeus • 2 points • 19 June, 2018 12:57 PM

What is Father's day? Father's day is every day.

this 100%. any holiday that isn't a federal holiday is some marketing virtue signalling scam.

picked my son up from soccer camp on father's day and took him and some of his friends boating. sans the soccer camp . . . same thing i did on mothers day.

every day with me is father day and the best date wife had.

En_sigma • 1 point • 11 July, 2018 03:43 PM

Yes, I am still alive

My father passed as well and he also lived a thousand miles away. He would not care if I ever showed up at his grave - but only because that is who he was, not because there was any animosity.

Father's day consisted of me getting a hand drawn card from my son, and a drawing tablet drawing of me as Thor from my daughter. The boy also got me a gift card to Home Depot and my daughter found a band saw at a church garage sale. Wife asked me to just buy whichever tool I wanted (router table which included the router).

Saturday, I went to the butcher and got a prime tenderloin cut into 3-finger steaks. Sunday, I grill the steaks because there is no one better at it. My kids are not going to be cheap dates, you should see the looks on their faces when they eat steaks from the grocery store.

Funniest part? For mother's day my wife got a spatula and a whisk from my daughter and \$7 dollar pair of work out pants from my son. She had this "you gotta be shitting me" look on her face Father's day morning as she served up my hot-from-the-oven brown-sugar bacon, egg and cheese biscuits. Laughing was not really an option, but I may have failed, somewhat, in not laughing.

Rian_Stone • 1 point • 11 July, 2018 05:53 PM

jeez, haven't seen you in my friends feed in a looooong time.

you're alive... and well I assume?

En_sigma • 1 point • 12 July, 2018 11:52 PM

I'm good. Turned my 12X8 shed into a woodshop and been working away.

A couple of Saturdays ago, the wife had been out with the daughter and The Boy had been inside the house. When the wife got home she came to speak with me in the shed, pretty soon, here comes the daughter, and just a couple minutes later The Boy steps in. Instead of being in the 2300+ square foot house, every one of them was crowded into my shed wanting to talk to me AFTER BEING AWAY FOR A GRAND THREE HOURS.

I still read the sub some, but I don't spend as much time as when I was trying to understand the problem.