

Birthdays

- 2 - Lynn Vittasi
- 5 - Jacquie Foxall
- 7 - Pora Elabe
- 8 - Dorothy DuBois (94), Marilyn Thompson (80)
- 9 - Charlie Kirkbride
- 10 - Nathan Barton, Lois Moyer
- 11 - Allie Wilson
- 14 - Rachel Shackleford
- 15 - Steven Kadai
- 16 - Andrew Baughman
- 17 - Kathryn Drumm
- 18 - Kamara Royster
- 27 - Lauren Barrett



Anniversaries

- 6/6 - Richard & Carolyn Crabtree
- 6/16 - Virgil & Samantha Miller
- 6/18 - Brandon & Shelby Storer
- 6/19 - Len & Jessica Cabela
- 6/21 - Jerry & Sheila Gulley

If your name has not been listed for your birthday or your anniversary, Please call us at: 740-364-1750.



So God Made a Father

At the dawn of time, God looked down on all He had made and said, "Now, I need a caretaker."
So, God made a father.

God said, "I need someone to teach children to fish, and to ride a bike without training wheels, and to play catch in the backyard. It must be someone who's tough enough to run a chainsaw and wield a machete and yet, gentle enough to join his little girl and her dolls for tea." **So, God made a father.**

"I need someone to bring the car around when it's raining, so everyone else can stay dry. Someone who will keep jumper cables in his truck, just in case he needs to help a stranger. I need someone to notice practical things, like how the tread on the tires is wearing and if the weather stripping around the front door needs replacing, for no one else will."

"I'll create someone who's strong enough to open a tightly sealed jelly jar and tall enough to place the angel on top of the Christmas tree. Someone who will be gracious enough to let his son fish the best fishing hole or to let his daughter win at least one hand of gin rummy."

"Yes, he will struggle to find his glasses and keys," God thought. "But I'll help him find time for the important things, like tumbling with the kids in the den floor, or saying 'I'm proud of you, son,' or giving Mama a hug."

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God said, "I need someone brave enough to carve the Thanksgiving turkey, for no one else seems to want the job. Someone who's not afraid to go into Grandma's dark cellar, or to check on what goes bump in the night, or to remove the dead mouse from the mousetrap."

"I need someone wise enough to know when to let his child fail. Someone who will pick her up, dry her tears and say, 'Honey, I know you can do it! Give it another try.'"

"I need someone who listens more than he talks. Who will stand by his family through laughter and tears, tornadoes and snowstorms, good times and bad. Someone who will love his kids and love their mother even more."

So, God made a father.

God said, "I need someone to provide for the family. Someone who will get up early and stay up late and never complain. I need someone who's willing to make unpopular decisions and stand by them. Someone to provide authority and discipline, as well as love."

"I need someone with broad shoulders, broad enough to carry a little child around town and broad enough to pull more than his fair share. Yes, I need someone who will work the second-shift, or take second-best, or play second fiddle, so that his family can have it better than he did."

"I need someone who is willing . . . willing to man up and provide the love, support and strength his family will so desperately need."

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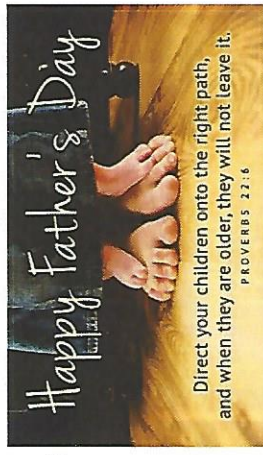
"Sometimes, he will not feel worthy of the love his family gives him. There will be times when he fails to live up to my ideal standard. But when his family needs him, he will show up, or give up, or do whatever needs to be done."

"Yes, that's exactly what I need," thought God as He shook His head. "A father to love my children, and if necessary, to lay down his life for them. Someone, well, someone like Me."

So, God made a father.

He is the first hero a little child will ever know. -His influence lasts much longer than his life. -He is an earthly portrayal of the Heavenly Father. -On Father's Day, our nation will pause to celebrate our fathers. But it might be difficult for you to celebrate because your father is no longer around. Or maybe your relationship with your father is broken, or not what you hoped it would be.

Even if you can't celebrate with your earthly father on Father's Day, you can still celebrate with your Heavenly Father. If you belong to God, then you have a great Father. And because you are His, you can never be called fatherless. The Lord even gave you His name to wear. Wear it with pride. You are a treasured member of His family.



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at the home of

Kam and Ellen Herring

241 Barb Court, Heath, Ohio

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