

Mothers Day



Times Remembered
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How was your Mother Day? Hope your day was great. Well, it sure was different for me since we couldn't go out and eat in a sit-down restaurant. My daughter was unable to come to my house yesterday. She was here last Sunday for my birthday; we basically celebrated my birthday and Mother's Day together.

Tara sent me two beautiful hanging baskets of Begonias and a Red Lobster gift card for Mother's Day. She asked me last night if I enjoyed my lunch at Red Lobster and I told her I was going to wait until we could go inside and eat. I like seafood hot and I like the atmosphere of being out again. I know most of my friends are having a difficult time with being unable to go out and eat in a restaurant.

I believe we will be able to eat at restaurants by the 20th of May if everyone follows the rules, and if there isn't an increase of cases of the

Corona Virus. By using social distancing, washing our hands, sanitizing and wearing our masks we should be able to go out and eat in restaurants by that time, hopefully.

Bob and I spend the day at home except he went to Michaels Restaurant in Ravenna and picked-up carry out food. We had a nice lunch with fried chicken, baked country ham and veggies.

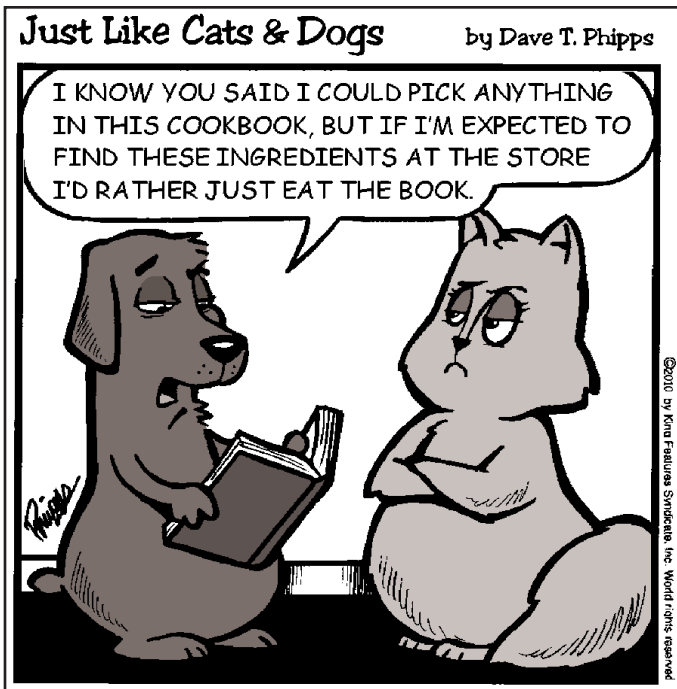
Bob had already gave me a beautiful coral knock-out rose to plant for my birthday last week but he just had to get me a new coffee cup with Mother's Day on it and filled it full of my favorite candy. It was very pretty, and I'm very appreciative for it, but I don't need candy. I had lost 10 pounds until this stay-at-home bit; now I've gained 6 pounds back. I have got to work harder and resist sweets.

I thought a lot about my Mother yesterday, of how I miss her so much every day. Even though she's been gone to heaven fourteen years, I miss her like it was yesterday. I long to have our little talks, and experience her laughter, and her sweet and gentle ways. She was a person that never talked bad about anyone. She always taught me, "If you can't say something good about someone, don't say nothing at all). I loved her so much!

Hope everyone had a wonderful Mother's Day



Happy Birthday Aiden!
Love Dad & Stevie



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