

Happy Mother's Day

I came across this poem that my mother and grandmother used to recite when I was a child and in honor of Mother's Day I thought you might enjoy it. Sweet memories.

"ME MUDDER"

When me prayers were poorly said
Who tucked me in me widdle bed
And spanked me till me arse was red
...ME MUDDER

Who took me from me cozy cot
And put me on the ice cold pot
And made me pee when I could not
ME MUDDER

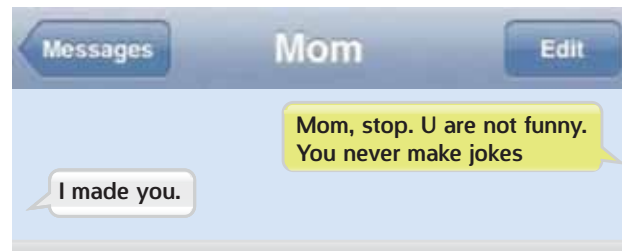
And when the morning light would come
And in me crib me dribbled some
Who wiped me tiny widdle bum,
ME MUDDER

Who would me hair so neatly part
And hug me gently to her heart
Who sometimes squeezed me till me fart,
ME MUDDER

Who looked at me with eyebrows knit
And nearly had a king size fit
When in me Sunday pants me s__t,
ME MUDDER

When at night her bed did squeak
Me raised me head to have a peek
Who yelled at me to "GO TO SLEEP!"
ME FADDER

Texting with Mom — it's always special to hear from her.



Hurricane Preparedness Tips

Here are some things I learned from Irma and having no power for several days.

- It's hard to relax with an open flame in your home (especially if you have pets or small children) -- get a battery-powered fluorescent or LED light source if you can.
- A cooler with wheels is great to pack things in if you need to leave or walk to the store for ice.
- It's sometimes hard to find things in a semi dark house -- put things you think you'll need in a central location.
- If you don't have lanterns or can't find them, remember you can bring the solar landscape lights inside at night.
- Oreos and beer sound like a great idea until about day 3. Get some real, nourishing food.
- Boil up some pasta, toss with olive oil & store in a zip lock. Then if the power goes out you can add whatever veggies, meat & cheese you find in the fridge & salad dressing & everyone can make their own pasta salads.
- Freeze some of your water bottles -- then they are both ice and a cold drink.
- Fill your car with gas and have a spare carry-along tank in case of evacuation.
- Baby wipes!!! Good for everything.
- Dress appropriately during the worst of the storm. This includes having a decent pair of shoes on. Suddenly battling a tree in your house in a dress and flip flops isn't the best fashion choice.
- Bring a saw in the house if you can. You may need it to get out.
- Charge everything you own. Everything! Cell, tablets, i-pods, speakers & don't forget your toothbrush and makeup.
- Get some bug spray. You may be doing yard work or dealing with a broken window.
- Get some spray anti itch medicine to deal with the above bug bites.
- Baby powder helps you not stick to the sheets when it is 200 degrees.
- A cold shower is a wonderful thing.
- Battery operated fans are a life saver.
- Put your small pets in a crate or carrier. Make sure they have ID, collars, food, water, treats and leashes.
- Get cash. The stores may open without power and there will be no ATMs or card usage.
- Get some magazines or books. When you have no power, nights are approximately 17 hours long.
- Buy a roll of contractor sized trash bags. Good for both cleanup & keeping things dry.
- Don't get drunk until AFTER the storm passes.

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