



# GOLDEN AGERS

Celebrating Seniors, Enjoying Life & Laughter



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## National Clothesline Week!

Sometimes I miss having a clothesline. Don't get me wrong, having a dryer is great! I don't miss having to clean the mold off of the line before hanging things. Or having to run out and grab stuff when rain comes out of nowhere. I don't miss the birds anointing my fresh, clean sheets.

MeMa didn't have a clothes dryer inside until the late 1960s (it finally died around 2015. Yes, it was a Maytag). But, she had a clothesline that she used daily. The lines didn't get moldy because it was in full sun and she used it *every day*.

Since she hung *everything* on the line, there were very strict rules about what was hung where. Sheets were hung on the outside (meaning the side against the road). MeMa lived on a busy corner across the street from the high school. Nothing inappropriate was allowed on that side of the line. Unmentionables were hung on inner lines so as not to give out too much information to passersby or next door neighbors.

Shirts were hung from the bottom so you didn't end up with pointed spots on your shoulders. Jeans were hung from the bottom as well so waistbands would dry completely. Whites hung together.

Clothes pins were kept in a cloth bag (that I still have, of course). It had a hook on it and hung on the line while being used, but went back inside & hung by the door so it didn't get wet, but could be grabbed quickly.

MeMa's clothesline was off of the patio, next to the birdfeeder. A cardinal sat on the pole & called to her when the feeder got low. She would talk to him in a sweet little whistle. He talked back while she filled the feeder & hung out the clothes. Sweet memories.

### Now for the Important Stuff...

#### The Week of June 7-13 is:

- International Clothesline Week
- Business Etiquette Week
- Theatre Understatement Week

#### Some celebrations only last a day:

- 7th-** Daniel Boone Day  
National Child's Day  
VCR Day
- 8th-** National Best Friends Day  
Upsy Daisy Day  
National Name Your Poison Day  
World Oceans Day
- 9th-** Donald Duck Day  
Ride Motorcycle to Work Day  
Toy Industry Day

## 10th-Ball Point Pen Day

Iced Tea Day

National Egg Roll Day

National Black Cow Day

Frosted Cookies Day

## 11th-Corn on the Cob Day

National Cotton Candy Day

Pizza Margherita Day

German Chocolate Cake Day

## 12th-International Falafel Day

Peanut Butter Cookie Day

National Jerky Day

National Movie Night

National Red Rose Day

## 13th-Dragon Fly Day

Golf Cart Day

Young Eagles Day

National Cereal Day

National Rosé (wine) Day

Roller Coaster Day

Outdoor Marketing Day

Blame Someone Else Day

Have a great week & call me if you need a ride to church.

### **Serving Him & Loving it!**

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*Luke 7:23 ~ "Blessed are those who are not offended by me."*



## Things That Made Me Laugh Today

- The last thing I want to do is disappoint you, but it's still on the list.
- I'm not so good at the advice thing. Can I interest you in a sarcastic comment?
- I dusted once. It came back. I'm not falling for that again.
- Your crazy makes my crazy not seem so crazy.
- It's time to vacuum or put on shoes.
- I don't make mistakes when playing the piano. I make spontaneous creative decisions.
- Some people get weird as they get older. Not me. I've always been like this.
- My body is a temple: ancient, crumbling, cursed, and probably haunted.
- Three tons of hair was stolen from a wig factory. Police are combing the area.
- If anyone tells you your dreams are silly, remember there's a millionaire walking around who invented the pool noodle.
- If you're looking for some alone time, tell your family you need help cleaning the house. You won't see them for hours!
- Get well soon. I don't know why you're feeling poorly, but I'm telling everyone it was a pole-dancing accident.
- I wish I was the person I thought I could be when I bought all this produce.
- I can't be responsible for what my face does when you speak.
- How do I stop eating chips & salsa? Do they run out...or do I die first...or what?
- Just remember, if we get caught, you're deaf & I don't speak English.
- My housekeeping style is best described as: there appears to have been a struggle.
- I am fairly certain that given a cape and a nice tiara, I could save the world.