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WAYS TO KNOW YOU'RE GETTING OLD

With the seriousness of the last few years, I figured we could all use a laugh or two. So, here goes. I'm sure you will have some fond memories of some of these things.

YOU KNOW YOU'RE GETTING OLD IF:

Your idea of a hot date is sitting close to the fireplace at Crackerbarrel.

You now have more metal in your body than your car does.

Your idea of excitement is watching the Discovery Channel and Animal Planet.

You watch the History channel and remember most of it.

You listen to the old classic songs on the radio and remember when they were new.

You watched all the Disney movies when they first were made into color.

You can name all of the Hannah-Barbera and Looney Tune cartoon characters.

You can still imitate the voices of those characters.

You can't name the "Ninja Turtles" but can name Dave and all of the chipmunks.

You still try to sing like "The Chipmunks."

You owned a shotgun when you were twelve and never shot anyone.

In high school, you took it to school and went hunting with your buddies after school.

Your forgetter works better than anything else in your body.

You go into the store for three items and come back with three, but at least one of them isn't what you went in for.

You try to count ice cream in the dairy food group rather than as a dessert.

You count bacon as its own food group and count it as a protein.

You get excited when medical science gives reasons that coffee and dark chocolate are good for you.

You try to convince yourself that both of those are now health foods.

You've ever dimmed your headlights with your left foot or started your truck with your right.

You remember milk being delivered to your home in glass bottles.

You ever stood by the street and waved a dime and got the milkman to stop to sell you ice cream.



You could walk through town, and everyone looked like you.

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You remember when air conditioners were only in public buildings and not cars or homes.

You remember air conditioners were an extra option in a car, but a cigarette lighter was standard.

You could smoke while fueling your car because apparently, gas wasn't flammable then.

You remember when microwaves were invented.

You know that rabbit ears aren't always on a rabbit.

You've ever turned the antenna outside.

Your idea of fun was playing with Hotwheels in the dirt.

You even know what playing outside is.

Your bicycle was a one-speed with foot brakes.

You know what "the little brown shack out back" means and have been in one.

Your mom's fine dishware came one piece at a time from a laundry detergent box.

Your drinking glasses were empty snuff jars from your grandma.

You've ever redeemed green or yellow stamps for anything.

Your birthday party was eating the cake mom baked at home.

You thought "store-bought" was special and "home-made" was normal.

You ever sat in the car waiting while your parents shopped for groceries.

You ever rolled the "winders" down while you waited.

You've ever owned a car without seat belts.

You even know what a Sears Catalog is, much less have had one and know multiple uses for it.

You never heard the words latte, frappe, and cappuccino and wouldn't have thought they were real words anyway.

You went to McDonald's for special occasions.

You know what Turpentine and Methiolate are and what they were used for.

You've ever been the recipient of a switching, especially at church.

You remember not having cable TV, and more than three channels was incredible.

You knew everyone on your road or neighborhood and was kin to most of them.

You've ever gone or took someone snipe hunting.

You know what "three on the tree" means.

You got sleepy reading through this list.

Well, there you have it. Many of you remember before all of these things, but we can get a good laugh knowing the youngsters will be as clueless about our stuff as we are about theirs. I hope something brought a smile to your face and gave you a good chuckle.

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